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Foreword

The Journal is the central, long-term, authoritative record of what the Parliament has done. The *Minutes of Proceedings*, which are produced for each meeting of the Parliament, do that in an immediate way, while the Journal presents essentially the same material but has the benefit of hindsight to allow any errors and infelicities of presentation to be corrected. Unlike the *Official Report*, which primarily records what is said, the *Minutes of Proceedings*, and in the longer term the Journal, provide the authoritative record of what was done.

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.)

Note: (DT), which appears throughout the Journal, signifies a decision taken at Decision Time.

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No. 1 Wednesday 11 May 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Dr George Whyte, Minister of Colinton, Edinburgh, led Time for Reflection.

2. Procedures Committee, Report on Private Legislation: Iain Smith, on behalf of the Procedures Committee, moved S2M-2764—That the Parliament notes the Procedures Committee's 4th Report 2005 (Session 2), *Private Legislation* (SP Paper 334); agrees that the changes to Standing Orders set out in Annexe A to the report be made with effect from 12 May 2005, but agrees that new Rule 9A.1.4A shall not apply to any Bill introduced before 5 September 2005.

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

3. Justice 1 Committee, Inquiry into the Effectiveness of Rehabilitation in Prisons: Pauline McNeill, on behalf of the Justice 1 Committee, moved S2M-2762—That the Parliament notes the recommendations contained in the Justice 1 Committee's 3rd Report 2005 (Session 2), *Inquiry into the Effectiveness of Rehabilitation in Prisons* (SP Paper 291).

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

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2790—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 18 May 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Enterprise and Culture Committee Debate: 3rd Report 2005, Restructuring Scotland's Tourism Industry: Report on the Review of Area Tourist Boards
<i>followed by</i>	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
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 19 May 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Ministerial Statement: Follow-up to the Audit Committee Report on Argyll and Clyde Health Board

9.45 am Executive Debate: Tackling Serious and Organised Crime - Developing Strategic Partnerships

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 Debate: Voluntary Sector and the Social Economy
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 25 May 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 26 May 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 Stage 3 Proceedings: Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill
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-2786—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

7. Call for Action on the A90: The Parliament debated S2M-2367 in the name of Mrs Nanette Milne—That the Parliament notes with concern the number of road accidents on the A90 north of Aberdeen between Tipperty and Balmedie; further notes the significant number of new houses in and around the Ellon area which have added to the high volumes of traffic on this already congested road, and considers that the Scottish Executive should take action to upgrade this stretch of road as a matter of extreme urgency.

The meeting closed at 5.31 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Schools/Colleges Review: The Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) moved S2M-2793—That the Parliament welcomes *Lifelong Partners*, the Scottish Executive’s strategy for school and college partnership to increase and enhance further vocational and other specialist opportunities for S3 pupils and above to access high quality educational experiences and gain full recognition for their learning with colleges; acknowledges that further education colleges, as principally centres of voluntary learning for adults, play an important role in helping schools realise the potential of young people; supports the growth in college learning opportunities for pupils outlined in the Executive’s strategy, and recognises that colleges’ partnership work with schools is a priority for the further education sector.

Fiona Hyslop moved amendment S2M-2793.1 to motion S2M-2793—

Insert at end—

“but, in doing so, recognises that the success of the strategy will depend in particular on the effectiveness of measures that address college capacity, pupil accreditation and training of lecturers.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 35, Against 78, Abstentions 0).

Lord James Douglas-Hamilton moved amendment S2M-2793.2 to motion S2M-2793—

Insert at end—

“but notes, however, the need for the Executive to monitor issues of funding, college capacity and delivery of the strategy, particularly in rural areas.”

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

The motion as amended was then agreed to (DT).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament welcomes *Lifelong Partners*, the Scottish Executive’s strategy for school and college partnership to increase and enhance further vocational and other specialist opportunities for S3 pupils and above to access high quality educational experiences and gain full recognition for their learning with colleges; acknowledges that further education colleges, as principally centres of voluntary learning for adults, play an important role in helping schools realise the potential of young people; supports the growth in college learning opportunities for pupils outlined in the Executive’s strategy, and recognises that colleges’ partnership work with schools is a priority for the further education sector but notes, however, the

need for the Executive to monitor issues of funding, college capacity and delivery of the strategy, particularly in rural areas.

2. General Question Time: General 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 Finance and Public Services and Communities, and on Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport, were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Commemorating Scotland's Veterans: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-2794—That the Parliament acknowledges a debt of gratitude to all Scottish veterans who served their country in World War II; recognises the ultimate sacrifice made by 57,000 Scots during that period of conflict, and encourages everyone in Scotland to support the commemorative events this summer.

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

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

7. Support for Inclusion Scotland Manifesto: The Parliament debated S2M-2707 in the name of Ms Sandra White—That the Parliament congratulates Inclusion Scotland on the recent launch of its “Manifesto for Inclusion” document which seeks to promote, amongst other things, independent living for disabled people, allowing them to have the same choices, controls and freedoms as any other citizen; notes that the document calls for a significant transformation with regard to expenditure between institutional and non-institutional care, and considers that all of Scotland's politicians should read and support the calls made in the document, such as the right to live in the community with appropriate support and not in an institution, a greater emphasis on self-assessment in the existing community care assessment process, that the “duty of care” retained by social work should be redefined, that all planning partners should develop advocacy services for all people with a mental health disorder to meet the requirements of the Mental Health Care and Treatment (Scotland) Act 2003, and that there should be varied and flexible housing across all tenures for disabled people, the inclusion of key disabled stakeholders in the formulation of transport strategies and associated legislation at all levels, increased resources to support mainstream educational opportunities for all disabled children and adults, a coherent strategy to meet the needs of disabled job seekers and employees, improved portrayal and inclusion of disabled people in the mainstream media, inclusive access for all to all public spaces, the enactment of a single equality bill as an urgent priority, a complete review of wheelchair/power chair services in Scotland, acknowledgement that disabled people are also sexual beings with attendant health and emotional needs and,

finally, increased awareness and funding of disabled patients' independent advocacy services.

The meeting closed at 5.45 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.31 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Pamala McDougall, from the Religious Society of Friends, led Time for Reflection.

2. Enterprise and Culture Committee, *Restructuring Scotland's Tourism Industry: Report on the Review of Area Tourist Boards*: Alex Neil, on behalf of the Enterprise and Culture Committee, moved S2M-2796—That the Parliament notes the recommendations contained in the Enterprise and Culture Committee's 3rd Report 2005 (Session 2): *Restructuring Scotland's Tourism Industry: Report on the Review of Area Tourist Boards* (SP Paper 305).

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

3. European and External Relations Committee, *Report on an Inquiry into the Promotion of Scotland Worldwide: the Strategy, Policy and Activities of the Scottish Executive*: Mr John Swinney, on behalf of the European and External Relations Committee, moved S2M-2806—That the Parliament notes the recommendations contained in the European and External Relations Committee's 1st Report 2005 (Session 2): *An Inquiry into the Promotion of Scotland Worldwide: the Strategy, Policy and Activities of the Scottish Executive* (SP Paper 297).

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

4. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2 and 3 as noted above.

5. The Planning Process and the M74 Northern Extension: The Parliament debated S2M-2788 in the name of Rosie Kane—That the Parliament considers that any proposal by the Scottish Executive to restrict public input into the planning process should be rejected; recognises that the planning process requires change but notes that any change should be in the interests of democracy and inclusion; believes that local knowledge is imperative when planning decisions are being made; notes the recommendation of the public inquiry reporter that the M74 project should not proceed, and thanks residents along the route and beyond for their continued interest and input on this issue.

6. Motion without Notice: Carolyn Leckie moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended until 6.06 pm. The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 6.06 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr) made a statement and answered questions on Follow-up to the Audit Committee Report on Argyll and Clyde Health Board.

2. Tackling Serious and Organised Crime - Developing Strategic Partnerships: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-2824— That the Parliament believes that tackling serious organised crime is key to a safer Scotland; recognises that criminal networks operate across local, national and international boundaries; commends the achievements of those responsible in Scotland for bringing to justice those engaged in serious organised crime; supports the Scottish Executive's actions to achieve speedy and efficient court processes, its efforts to ensure greater co-operation with European and international criminal justice agencies and its plans to strengthen the status of the Scottish Drug Enforcement Agency; commends the success of the Crown Office in recovering £5.4 million since the introduction of the Proceeds Of Crime Act 2002, and will continue to support the sustained efforts of all those involved in disrupting and destroying the criminal networks which profit from inflicting violence and misery on communities in Scotland.

Mr Kenny MacAskill moved amendment S2M-2824.1 to motion S2M-2824—

Insert at end—

“notes, however, that, whilst co-operation with other bodies both elsewhere in the United Kingdom and abroad is vital, Scotland has a unique legal system and a distinctive policing culture that is community-based and independent from political interference and therefore that the Scottish legal system and Scottish Law Officers must always be responsible for, and in control of, operations in Scotland and the representation of Scottish views and needs abroad.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 36, Against 61, Abstentions 16).

Miss Annabel Goldie moved amendment S2M-2824.2 to motion S2M-2824—

Leave out from “the Scottish Executive’s” to end and insert—

“actions which will create an efficient court process; backs the Scottish Executive's efforts to ensure greater co-operation with European and international criminal justice agencies; believes that the status of the Scottish Drug Enforcement Agency should be strengthened and therefore hopes that it will not be undermined by the creation of the Serious Organised Crime Agency; commends the success of the Crown Office in recovering £5.4 million since the introduction of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002, continues to support the sustained efforts of all those involved in disrupting and destroying the criminal networks which profit from inflicting violence and misery on communities in Scotland, but believes that crime will continue to blight too many

Scottish communities until there is an increased police presence on our streets coupled with a zero-tolerant attitude to crime.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 70, Abstentions 27).

The motion was then 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 Health and Community Care, and on Environment and Rural Development were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

6. Voluntary Sector and the Social Economy: The Deputy Minister for Communities (Johann Lamont) moved S2M-2825—That the Parliament recognises the contribution that the voluntary sector and social economy make to Scotland; supports the Scottish Executive’s continued commitment to developing them through Futurebuilders Scotland, the Volunteering Strategy and Project Scotland and the development and promotion of legislation on charities; supports the Strategic Funding Review being undertaken with SCVO and COSLA; welcomes the establishment of a Social Economy Advisory Board, and supports the Executive in developing a detailed strategy, in partnership with the voluntary sector, for the sector’s future.

Linda Fabiani moved amendment S2M-2825.1 to motion S2M-2825—

Insert at end—

“to include measures to ensure continued and stable core funding for voluntary organisations that are expected to deliver ministerial and local government policy objectives.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 48, Against 60, Abstentions 6).

Patrick Harvie moved amendment S2M-2825.2 to motion S2M-2825—

Insert at end—

“recognises the breadth of the social economy in Scotland; further recognises the distinctive contribution that co-operatives and social enterprises make to the social economy; recommends the development of a differentiated strategy to meet the specific needs of the social enterprise sector of the social economy, and further recommends that such a strategy be developed in partnership with social enterprises and their networks beyond the voluntary sector, be aligned with the development of the Co-operative Development Agency and be aligned with the Department of Trade and Industry’s strategy to support social enterprise across the rest of the United Kingdom.”

After debate, the amendment was agreed to (DT) by division: For 84, Against 22, Abstentions 5).

The motion as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 84, Against 0, Abstentions 27).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament recognises the contribution that the voluntary sector and social economy make to Scotland; supports the Scottish Executive’s continued commitment to developing them through Futurebuilders Scotland, the Volunteering Strategy and Project Scotland and the development and promotion of legislation on charities; supports the Strategic Funding Review being undertaken with SCVO and COSLA; welcomes the establishment of a Social Economy Advisory Board, and supports the Executive in developing a detailed strategy, in partnership with the voluntary sector, for the sector’s future; recognises the breadth of the social economy in Scotland; further recognises the distinctive contribution that co-operatives and social enterprises make to the social economy; recommends the development of a differentiated strategy to meet the specific needs of the social enterprise sector of the social economy, and further recommends that such a strategy be developed in partnership with social enterprises and their networks beyond the voluntary sector, be aligned with the development of the Co-operative Development Agency and be aligned with the Department of Trade and Industry’s strategy to support social enterprise across the rest of the United Kingdom.”

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2831—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 25 May 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Ministerial Statement: Building a Health Service Fit for the Future
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: 3rd Meeting, World Youth Congress
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members’ Business

Thursday 26 May 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	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	Stage 3 Proceedings: Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Wednesday 1 June 2005	
2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Preliminary Stage Debate: The Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Local Government and Transport Committee Debate: 4th Report 2005, Inquiry into issues arising from the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Thursday 2 June 2005	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Business
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
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 3 Proceedings: Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

8. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2826—That the Parliament agrees that Mr

Jamie Stone be appointed to replace Mike Pringle 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-2827—That the Parliament agrees that Mike Pringle be appointed to replace Mr Jamie Stone on the Justice 1 Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2828—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 (Relevant Premises) Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2829—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Mental Health (Medical treatment subject to safeguards) (Section 234) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2830—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Mental Health (Medical treatment subject to safeguards) (Section 237) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 as noted above.

14. Trial Reintroduction of the European Beaver: The Parliament debated S2M-2502 in the name of Nora Radcliffe—That the Parliament notes Scottish Natural Heritage's proposal for a trial reintroduction of the European beaver, a proposal which follows the successful reintroduction of the species in 24 other countries, and considers that the Scottish Executive should give serious consideration to issuing a licence for the trial so that it can be determined, in a controlled and properly monitored way, whether the benefits to the environment and tourism observed after previous reintroductions elsewhere can be replicated in a Scottish context without significant adverse effects on existing land uses.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

No.5 Wednesday 25 May 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Canon Bill Anderson, St Francis of Assisi Church, Aberdeen, led Time for Reflection.

2. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr) made a statement and answered questions on Building a Health Service Fit for the Future.

3. 3rd Meeting, World Youth Congress: The Deputy Minister for Education and Young People (Euan Robson) moved S2M-2857—That the Parliament welcomes the Peace Child International 3rd World Youth Congress in Stirling from 30 July to 8 August 2005, facilitated by the Scottish Executive; recognises the contribution that the event will make to youth-led sustainable development across the world; looks forward to welcoming the 600 delegates to the Parliament on the last weekend of the congress and warmly commends their efforts as youth leaders in pursuit of the UN Millennium Development Goals; supports the active involvement of young Scots in the global development agenda, as highlighted by the congress and through the Change 05 initiative, and welcomes the opportunity that the congress brings to promote Scotland on an international stage.

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

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2864—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 1 June 2005

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Ministerial Statement on Scotland and Africa

3.05 pm Local Government and Transport Committee Debate: 4th Report 2005, Inquiry into issues arising from the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001

followed by Business Motion

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 2 June 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Preliminary Stage Debate: Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill

followed by Executive Debate: Antisocial Behaviour

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: 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 8 June 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 9 June 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party 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 Stage 3 Proceedings: Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland)
Bill

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

The motion was agreed to (by division: For 65, Against 49, Abstentions 0).

5. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2862—That the Parliament agrees that the Enterprise and Culture Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the St Andrew’s Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2863—That the Parliament agrees that the Farm Business Development (Scotland) Variation Scheme 2005 (SSI 2005/219) be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

8. Action on Skin Disease: The Parliament debated S2M-2553 in the name of Mr Kenneth Macintosh—That the Parliament recognises the stigma, frustration and desperation felt by many people with skin disease, including residents in East Renfrewshire; points out that conditions such as psoriasis are lifelong and incurable but are eminently treatable; highlights the benefit of having skin disease classified as a chronic condition; raises concern that skin disease is not a priority under the new GP contract; welcomes the new provision of specialist retraining in skin disease for nurses but points to the need for similar training for other health professionals such as pharmacists and GPs, given that 20% of GP consultations include skin disease, including an emphasis on skin conditions in the undergraduate education and training of health professionals; approves the Skin Action Scotland service redesign programme as an opportunity for clinicians to test new ways of accessing and delivering dermatology out-patient services and to better demonstrate and define the current relationship between demand and capacity, and looks to see greater availability to patients of new treatments with strong evidence of effectiveness such as the new biological treatments for psoriasis and the complications of arthritis.

The meeting closed at 5.59 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Student and Graduate Debt: Fiona Hyslop moved S2M-2866—That the Parliament notes with concern growing student and graduate debt in Scotland, which not only hinders opportunities for the individuals concerned, but also damages society and the wider economy generally; further notes the spiralling cost to the taxpayer of the expensive and bureaucratic student loan system and the growing consensus that it is unsustainable, and calls on the Scottish Executive to come forward with a constructive review, incorporating a number of proposals to address this growing problem and encompassing an assessment of replacing student loans, including the graduate endowment repayment, with a universal system of grants.

The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Allan Wilson) moved amendment S2M-2866.2 to motion S2M-2866—

Leave out from “notes with concern” to end and insert—

“agrees that the support arrangements for students ordinarily resident in Scotland should continue to be based on fairness and affordability; agrees that such a system should include free tuition, regardless of family income, and bursary support for those from less well-off backgrounds; welcomes the increased level of the Young Students’ Bursary and its extended eligibility; notes that liable graduates pay the graduate endowment in respect of the higher education benefits that they have received with the payments adding to the fund to pay support bursaries for students from poorer backgrounds, and recognises that the publication of the survey of Scottish students’ income and expenditure, later this year, will allow for a better understanding of the situation facing students and the continued development of policy to meet their needs.”

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-2866.1 to motion S2M-2866—

Leave out from “further” to end and insert—

“calls on the Scottish Executive to end the graduate endowment which places an increased debt burden on students; recommends that the student loan repayment threshold be raised to £20,000 and that the loan value be increased to £5,000 per annum at a low, but commercial, rate of interest, which will remove the necessity for students to resort to expensive overdraft and credit card borrowing, and calls on the Executive to transfer all or part of the loan book to independent providers so that higher education can expand without extra and undue burden being placed on the taxpayer.”

After debate, amendment S2M-2866.2 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 60, Against 44, Abstentions 7). As a result amendment S2M-2866.1 was pre-empted.

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 62, Against 44, Abstentions 7).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament agrees that the support arrangements for students ordinarily resident in Scotland should continue to be based on fairness and affordability; agrees that such a system should include free tuition, regardless of family income, and bursary support for those from less well-off backgrounds; welcomes the increased level of the Young Students' Bursary and its extended eligibility; notes that liable graduates pay the graduate endowment in respect of the higher education benefits that they have received with the payments adding to the fund to pay support bursaries for students from poorer backgrounds, and recognises that the publication of the survey of Scottish students' income and expenditure, later this year, will allow for a better understanding of the situation facing students and the continued development of policy to meet their needs.

2. Age Discrimination in the NHS: Shona Robison moved S2M-2861— That the Parliament is concerned about the lack of personal care and attention given to older people in some acute hospitals in Scotland and believes that the Scottish Executive should establish, as a matter of urgency, an independent inquiry into direct and indirect age discrimination within the NHS.

The Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care (Rhona Brankin) moved amendment S2M-2861.3 to motion S2M-2861—

Leave out from “is concerned” to end and insert—

“welcomes the work of NHS Quality Improvement Scotland on its 2004 review of older people in acute care and its recommendations on how to improve services; welcomes the independent inquiry set up by NHS Lothian in response to recent criticisms of its standards of care, and welcomes the fact that the Scottish Executive has commenced work on an overarching framework for healthcare and community care for older people in Scotland, having due regard to David Kerr's report on the future of the NHS.”

Nanette Milne moved amendment S2M-2861.1 to motion S2M-2861—

Leave out from “and believes” to end and insert—

“believes that the Health Committee should consider the issue of elderly abuse in its post-legislative scrutiny of community care legislation; further believes that any neglect of the elderly reflects the current problems and workforce pressures that the NHS suffers from, and recognises that the NHS needs real reform to alleviate these fundamental problems.”

After debate, amendment S2M-2861.3 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 61, Against 41, Abstentions 12). As a result amendment S2M-2861.1 was pre-empted.

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 63, Against 17, Abstentions 34).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament welcomes the work of NHS Quality Improvement Scotland on its 2004 review of older people in acute care and its recommendations on how to improve services; welcomes

the independent inquiry set up by NHS Lothian in response to recent criticisms of its standards of care, and welcomes the fact that the Scottish Executive has commenced work on an overarching framework for healthcare and community care for older people in Scotland, having due regard to David Kerr's report on the future of the NHS.

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 Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace).

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. Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2875—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill, debate of 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):

Group 1 – 30 minutes

Group 2 – 45 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (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 and 14.

8. Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-2772—That the Parliament agrees that the Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill be passed.

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

9. Motion without Notice: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved, without notice, a motion under Rule 11.2.4 of Standing Orders that Decision Time on Thursday 26 May 2005 shall begin at 4.06 pm. The motion was agreed to.

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2 and 8 as noted above.

11. Proposed Closure of Rural and Special Needs Schools in Aberdeenshire: The Parliament debated S2M-2770 in the name of Richard Lochhead—That the Parliament notes with concern the proposals by Aberdeenshire Council to close or amalgamate a number of local schools; recognises the strength of feeling amongst parents and the wider community over the implications of closing those schools, as illustrated by the formation of the Garioch Schools Action Group and other local campaigns; notes in particular the proposal to close St Andrew’s school in Inverurie, a school that is widely recognised as providing an excellent educational environment for children with special needs; recognises the opposition to the current proposals by local parents at St Andrew’s who are genuinely concerned by the impact some of the options proposed by Aberdeenshire Council will have on their children; notes the ongoing confusion over the exact nature of the local authority’s proposals which is causing considerable distress amongst parents; believes that Aberdeenshire Council must make available to parents all the necessary information in relation to all those schools proposed for closure as part of the current consultation process; considers that Aberdeenshire Council should recognise the strength of the arguments put forward by parents and the wider community for the retention of their local schools, and further considers that the Scottish Executive should play what role it can to ensure that Aberdeenshire Council’s proposals do not damage the educational welfare of the children and wider interests of the community.

12. Motion without Notice: Richard Lochhead moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended until 5.12pm.

The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 5.12 pm.

No. 7 Wednesday 1 June 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

- 1. Time for Reflection:** Mr Jim Campbell, National Prayer Breakfast for Scotland, led Time for Reflection.
- 2. Ministerial Statement:** The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) made a statement and answered questions on Scotland and Africa.
- 3. Local Government and Transport Committee, *Inquiry into issues arising from the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001*:** Bristow Muldoon, on behalf of the Local Government and Transport Committee, moved S2M-2854—That the Parliament notes the recommendations contained in the Local Government and Transport Committee’s 4th Report 2005 (Session 2): *Inquiry into issues arising from the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001* (SP Paper 316).

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

- 4. Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2888—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 8 June 2005

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| 2.30 pm | Time for Reflection |
| <i>followed by</i> | Parliamentary Bureau Motions |
| <i>followed by</i> | Executive Debate: G8 |
| <i>followed by</i> | Business Motion |
| <i>followed by</i> | Parliamentary Bureau Motions |
| 5.00 pm | Decision Time |
| <i>followed by</i> | Members’ Business |

Thursday 9 June 2005

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| 9.15 am | Parliamentary Bureau Motions |
| <i>followed by</i> | Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party 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 |
| <i>followed by</i> | Parliamentary Bureau Motions |

2.55 pm Stage 3 Proceedings: Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 15 June 2005

2.15 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Question Time

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Final Stage: Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill

followed by Executive Business

followed by Business Motion

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 16 June 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—
Justice and Law Officers;
Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport

2.55 pm Executive Business

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2890—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 11.2.4 of the Standing Orders that Decision Time on Thursday 2 June 2005 shall begin at 5.30 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2889—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 74, Against 37, Abstentions 3).

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

8. Protecting Land Used for Organised Sport and Other Forms of Physical Activity: The Parliament debated S2M-2615 in the name of Mike Watson—That the Parliament notes with concern the continuing diminution in the number of sports pitches and open space across Scotland, despite the efforts of sportscotland and the National Playing Fields Association Scotland; believes that this will make it more difficult for the Scottish Executive to achieve its stated aim of improving the health of young people in Scotland and reducing levels of obesity; endorses the need, as expressed in the report of the Physical Activity Task Force, for all primary and secondary pupils to have a minimum of two hours each week of quality physical education, and considers that the Executive should ensure that more robust measures are introduced to the planning process to protect land used for organised sport and other forms of physical activity.

9. Motion without Notice: Murray Tosh moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended until 6.18 pm. The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 6.18 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2901—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (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):

Group 1 – 25 mins

Groups 2 to 4 – 50 mins

Groups 5 to 8 – 1 hour 15 mins

Groups 9 to 11 – 1 hour 55 mins

The motion was agreed to.

2. Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill: Mr Andrew Arbuckle, on behalf of the Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill Committee, moved S2M-2876—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill and that the Bill should proceed as a Private Bill.

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

3. Antisocial Behaviour: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-2893—That the Parliament believes that people in all parts of Scotland should be able to live free from fear and harassment; welcomes the commencement of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 and the progress made to date to act against antisocial behaviour; believes that the preparation of antisocial behaviour outcome agreements linked to antisocial behaviour strategies by local authorities working with local communities will help build confidence across Scotland; notes that ongoing work is needed to build confidence in our communities, and urges local agencies across Scotland to use the full range of measures at their disposal appropriate to local circumstances.

Mr Kenny MacAskill moved amendment S2M-2893.2 to motion S2M-2893—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“believes that the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 offers further options and powers to relevant local authorities and agencies; notes, however, that appropriate resourcing of police, local authorities and other local, national and voluntary agencies is a prerequisite for tackling antisocial behaviour, as is co-operation and interaction between, and amongst, them and national government; believes that individuals must accept responsibility for their actions and the consequences of these and, in addition,

respect the rights of others in their community and society, and further believes that it is essential that government at all levels accepts responsibility for all communities within Scotland and addresses, not just social exclusion, but also the scourge of drink, drugs and deprivation that scar our land.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 24, Against 84, Abstentions 3).

Miss Annabel Goldie moved amendment S2M-2893.1 to motion S2M-2893—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“notes with regret that the Scottish Crime Survey indicated that three out of every four crimes are never reported to the police, indicating a lack of confidence from the public; notes the commencement of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 but, in doing so, recognises that, without an adequate enforcement regime, measures included within the Act cannot work; ultimately believes that only when there is a greatly increased police presence on our streets, following zero-tolerance policing methods and re-engaging with communities, will we see a reduction in crime and antisocial behaviour, and therefore calls on the Scottish Executive to increase resources available to the police along with an improving accountability to ensure an improvement in the deterrence and detection of crime.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 76, Abstentions 22).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 67, Against 26, Abstentions 21).

4. General Question Time: Questions were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

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

6. Themed Question Time: Questions on Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport, and on Finance and Communities were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

7. Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (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, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 52, 16, 55, 58, 18, 61, 19, 64, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 and 35.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

- 8 (For 94, Against 14, Abstentions 0)
- 12 (For 85, Against 21, Abstentions 0)
- 17 (For 98, Against 6, Abstentions 1)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

- 39 (For 21, Against 88, Abstentions 0)
- 43 (For 45, Against 65, Abstentions 0)
- 44 (For 44, Against 66, Abstentions 0)
- 45 (For 20, Against 87, Abstentions 2)
- 46 (For 44, Against 64, Abstentions 0)
- 48 (For 41, Against 58, Abstentions 0)
- 66 (For 44, Against 63, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn: 36, 38, 42, 47 and 54.

Amendments 37, 50, 51, 53, 56, 57, 59, 60, 62, 63 and 65 were not moved and amendments 40, 41 and 49 were pre-empted.

The Presiding Officer extended the time-limits in Business Motion S2M-2716 under Rule 9.8.4A (a).

8. Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-2771—That the Parliament agrees that the Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill be passed.

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

9. Establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2900—That the Parliament agrees to establish an Ad Hoc Committee of the Parliament as follows:

Name of Committee: Ad Hoc Standards Committee;

Remit:

1. To consider and report in respect of a report submitted by the Scottish Parliamentary Standards Commissioner;

In particular as to –

(a) whether a member's conduct is in accordance with the Standing Orders and the Code of Conduct for MSPs, matters relating to members' interests, and any other matters relating to the conduct of members in carrying out their Parliamentary duties; and

(b) the application of the Code of Conduct for MSPs.

2. Where the Committee considers it appropriate, to recommend by motion that a member's rights and privileges are withdrawn to such extent and for such period as are specified in the motion.

Duration: Until the Committee has reported;

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

Membership: Trish Godman (Labour), Scott Barrie (Labour), Alasdair Morgan (SNP), Lord James Douglas-Hamilton (Conservative), George Lyon (Liberal Democrats).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

11. Powers of the Scottish Parliament: The Parliament debated S2M-2841 in the name of John Swinburne—That the Parliament welcomes the increased focus afforded specific groups within Scotland following the creation of the Parliament as a result of devolution; also notes the Parliament's inability to fully address the needs of groups such as senior citizens, and therefore believes that the time is now right to explore options for increasing the powers of the Scottish Parliament to properly address the needs of all Scottish citizens.

The meeting closed at 6.23 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Ronnie Johnstone, Minister of Thurso West Church of Scotland, led Time for Reflection.

2. G8: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-2924—That the Parliament welcomes the opportunities presented by hosting the G8 summit which will engage the Scottish public in debate on the theme of Africa and climate change, will showcase Scotland to an international audience and examine and develop Scotland’s role in international development; recognises the economic benefit to Scotland which will arise from the summit both in the short and longer term; further acknowledges the sense of pride that Scotland is hosting such a prestigious event; extends a warm welcome to all peaceful visitors who come to Scotland, and fully supports the police, the UK Government and other key partners in making the summit safe and productive.

Mr John Swinney moved amendment S2M-2924.1 to motion S2M-2924—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“expresses the aspiration that the G8 Summit at Gleneagles will secure a meaningful increase in the volume of aid for international development and debt relief, a fairer system of trade and progress on the issue of climate change; welcomes the fact that such important objectives may be achieved at a summit held in Scotland; welcomes the steps taken by the Scottish Executive to become involved in delivering international development activity; welcomes peaceful and organised demonstrations to advance the arguments for increased international aid and greater action on climate change; supports the police, the Executive, the UK Government and other agencies in making the summit at Gleneagles Hotel and the surrounding communities safe; encourages the Executive to make representations to the UK Government to meet in full the additional cost arising to public authorities in Scotland of hosting the summit, and calls on the Executive to make a clear statement on the cost of hosting the summit in Scotland and the financial benefits it expects to accrue to Scotland.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 35, Against 69, Abstentions 15).

Mark Ballard moved amendment S2M-2924.4 to motion S2M-2924—

Leave out from “will showcase” to end and insert—

“notes the undemocratic nature of the G8, given that the G8 countries represent only 13% of the world’s population while making decisions with consequences that are felt worldwide; supports the aims of the Make Poverty History campaign and other civil society campaigns; believes that all unpayable third world debt must be cancelled with immediate effect; supports developing countries’ right to protect indigenous industry and promotes fair trade rather than free trade; welcomes the Franco-German proposal to fund more aid by levying a Tobin tax which would limit damaging currency speculation; further welcomes the Franco-German proposal to levy a tax on aviation

fuel to combat the global climate change that threatens to undermine the Millennium Development Goals; urges the US Government to ratify the Kyoto protocol as a vital step in international efforts to combat climate change; recognises the importance of sexual and reproductive health and rights and is gravely concerned at the growing impact of HIV and AIDS in Africa and across the developing world; recognises the genuine concerns about the G8 process and agenda that are held by people across the world; welcomes and recognises the legitimate right to peaceful protest against the G8 summit; further recognises the success of past protests at UK G8 events in changing UK government policy, and supports calls for the adequate provision of accommodation and other facilities and acknowledges that the provision of such facilities is essential to ensure the safety and well-being of all those involved in the event.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 13, Against 106, Abstentions 1).

Frances Curran moved amendment S2M-2924.2 to motion S2M-2924—

Leave out from “will showcase” to end and insert—

“notes that the existing neoliberal policies of the G8 countries are the biggest factor causing mass poverty worldwide; accepts that policies such as free trade imposed by the G8 countries through the International Monetary Fund and the World Trade Organisation are a major cause of the collapse of local economies in Africa and in many developing countries; recognises that the proposed International Finance Facility is nothing more than a PFI for Africa; supports the immediate cancellation of third world debt and hopes that as many people as possible come to Scotland and take to the streets, including at Gleneagles, in support of fair trade, aid and all debt cancellation; upholds the democratic right to peaceful protest; is shocked that a minister in the Scottish Executive, without any scrutiny from the Parliament, has suspended democratic accountability for the police, the Scottish Executive and local authorities through the “prospective ministerial certificate” with no end date set for this attack on democratic rights, and calls for the immediate rescinding of this directive, which introduces a code of secrecy, and for democratic rights to be restored.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 13, Against 107, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 109, Against 3, Abstentions 8).

3. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2928—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 15 June 2005

2.15 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Question Time
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Final Stage: Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: Sexual Health

<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Thursday 16 June 2005	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 1 Debate: Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Financial Resolution: Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill
11.10 am	Ministerial Statement: ID Cards
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Justice and Law Officers; Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport
2.55 pm	Stage 1 Debate: Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Financial Resolution: Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Wednesday 22 June 2005	
2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Business
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Thursday 23 June 2005	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	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;

2.55 pm	Executive Business
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

4. Decision Time: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2927—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 11.2.4 of the Standing Orders that Decision Time on Thursday 9 June 2005 shall begin at 5.30 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

5. Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill – Consideration Stage: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2929—That the Parliament agrees that, for the Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill, Consideration Stage shall not take place and, accordingly, agrees that, for the purposes of the Bill, Rules 9A.7.1(b), 9A.9 and the first sentence of 9A.8.10 of the Standing Orders be suspended.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2930—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 4) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/260) be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

8. Norway's Centenary Celebrations: The Parliament debated S2M-2647 in the name of Rob Gibson—That the Parliament congratulates the Government and people of Norway on their celebrations of the centenary since the union of Norway and Sweden was dissolved by peaceful means; welcomes the international centennial programme in 2005 whose three main themes are Norway - a partner in peace and development, Norway - a nation rich in resources and Norway - a modern cultural and knowledge nation; applauds the aim to enhance Norway's visibility, update Norway's image, celebrate 100 years of close ties with key partner countries and promote Norway as a deeply-committed participant in the international community, both in 2005 and in the years to come; considers that Scots should be encouraged to share in the centenary independence celebrations including the successful Edvard Grieg exhibition, Art and Identity, which closes on 16

April 2005 in the City Art Centre, Edinburgh, and believes that the Scottish Executive should promote participation by Scots in understanding the success of Norway's story.

The meeting closed at 5.55 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Health Issues with Specific Reference to the Kerr Report: David McLetchie moved S2M-2931—That the Parliament welcomes the Kerr report as an important contribution to the debate on the future structure of the NHS in Scotland and its objective of ensuring that most health services continue to be provided at a local level in response to patient needs and demands; notes, however, continuing public concern over the extent of the proposed centralisation of hospital services across Scotland and the effectiveness of NHS 24 and the out-of-hours service; further notes that, despite a substantial increase in funding for the NHS in Scotland, the waiting list is longer and waiting times are higher than they were in 1997; believes that a truly patient-centred NHS will be possible only if purchasing power is put in the hands of patients so that their choices determine the development of the service and healthcare providers are given far greater freedom to respond to those demands, and, to that end, calls for the establishment of foundation hospitals within NHSScotland and an increase in the capacity available to treat NHS patients by extending the use of the independent sector.

The Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care (Rhona Brankin) moved amendment S2M-2931.3 to motion S2M-2931—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“commends the Kerr report, *Building a Health Service Fit for the Future*, and its emphasis on sustainable and safe local services and preventative care for the most vulnerable, which supports the Scottish Executive’s goal of delivering care that is as local as possible and as specialised as necessary; welcomes the interim report of the NHS 24 review team and the public commitment of NHS 24 to implement the key recommendations as quickly as possible for the benefit of the people using the service, and is encouraged by the positive progress on waiting times and waiting lists.”

Mr Stewart Maxwell moved amendment S2M-2931.1 to motion S2M-2931—

Leave out from “believes” to end and insert—

“commends the staff within the NHS for their hard work and dedication; believes that, to tackle waiting times more quickly, there is a need to set up fast-track diagnostic and treatment centres within the NHS, and welcomes the Kerr report’s emphasis on addressing health inequalities in order to close the health gap that currently exists in Scotland.”

Carolyn Leckie moved amendment S2M-2931.2 to motion S2M-2931—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“notes the contents of the Kerr report and recognises its contribution to the debate on the future of the NHS in Scotland; believes that, if protected within a public model, many of its proposals are useful; is concerned, however, that the report suggests, in line with the current trend of Scottish Executive policy, several avenues for the further

marketisation and privatisation of health care, relies heavily on NHS staff co-operating again with reorganisation and retraining and accepting new and additional roles and responsibilities but claims that the proposals within the report are “cost neutral”, and therefore believes that the NHS’s capacity, workforce planning and recruitment and retention problems will not be resolved by the report’s recommendations or current Executive policy, and that only securing and expanding the NHS as a public service, delivered by public service workers from publicly-owned facilities, will offer the foundation for the improvement and development of an NHS in Scotland fit for the 21st century.”

After debate, amendment S2M-2931.3 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 39, Abstentions 6). As a result amendments S2M-2931.1 and S2M-2931.2 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 65, Against 20, Abstentions 28).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament commends the Kerr report, *Building a Health Service Fit for the Future*, and its emphasis on sustainable and safe local services and preventative care for the most vulnerable, which supports the Scottish Executive’s goal of delivering care that is as local as possible and as specialised as necessary; welcomes the interim report of the NHS 24 review team and the public commitment of NHS 24 to implement the key recommendations as quickly as possible for the benefit of the people using the service, and is encouraged by the positive progress on waiting times and waiting lists.

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. Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-2939—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (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 – 15 minutes

Groups 3 to 5 – 50 minutes

Groups 6 to 9 – 1 hour and 15 minutes

Groups 10 to 13 – 1 hour and 35 minutes

Groups 14 to 18 – 1 hour and 55 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

6. Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 20, 3, 4, 5, 6, 23, 24, 25, 26, 7, 8, 27, 9, 10, 11, 28, 29, 30, 31A, 31, 32, 57, 64, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 12, 40, 13, 14, 15, 41, 62, 16, 42, 18, 43, 44 and 19.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

47 (For 74, Against 39, Abstentions 0)
33 (For 74, Against 26, Abstentions 6)
45 (For 65, Against 30, Abstentions 17)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

46 (For 34, Against 72, Abstentions 0)
50 (For 34, Against 80, Abstentions 0)
51 (For 10, Against 104, Abstentions 1)
53 (For 17, Against 98, Abstentions 0)
22 (For 47, Against 62, Abstentions 0)
55 (For 9, Against 101, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn: 1, 21, 49 and 60.

The following amendments were not moved: 2, 48, 52, 54, 56, 58, 59, 61, 17 and 63.

The Presiding Officer extended the time-limits under Rules 9.8.4A (a) and (c).

7. Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-2773—That the Parliament agrees that the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 98, Against 0, Abstentions 15).

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

9. A Cure for ME?: The Parliament debated S2M-2852 in the name of Alex Fergusson—That the Parliament notes with pleasure that a scientific team from Glasgow University, headed by Dr John Gow, may have discovered a remedy for myalgic encephalomyelitis (ME) which could be available in as little as a year; further notes that the university has already patented the genes involved as a means of diagnosing the condition quickly and cheaply; recognises that this could represent a major step forward in the

treatment and cure of this debilitating disease but notes with alarm Dr Gow's concern that he is "going nowhere" because his funding has run out, and considers that the Scottish Executive should take every possible step to ensure that this work can be continued in order that the 10,000 to 20,000 ME sufferers in Scotland can play a full part in the economic and social life of their country.

The meeting closed at 6.17 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.15 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Acharya Medanipati Misra, Priest, Hindu Temple, Glasgow and Mrs Shobha Nagpal, Vice President, Hindu Temple, Glasgow, led Time for Reflection.

2. SPCB Question Time: Questions were answered by members of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body.

3. Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill – Final Stage: Mr Andrew Arbuckle, on behalf of the Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill Committee, moved S2M-2941—That the Parliament agrees that the Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill be passed.

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

4. Sexual Health: The Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr) moved S2M-2958—That the Parliament acknowledges the progress that has been made to date in implementing *Respect and Responsibility*, the Scottish Executive’s Strategy and Action Plan for Improving Sexual Health; commends the work by stakeholders to date, and welcomes the creation of a National Sexual Health Advisory Committee which will be a key element in taking forward the action plan.

Shona Robison moved amendment S2M-2958.2 to motion S2M-2958—

Insert at end—

“and calls on the Executive to publish reasonable timescales for the implementation of the action plan as soon as possible.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 34, Against 77, Abstentions 1).

Nanette Milne moved amendment S2M-2958.1 to motion S2M-2958—

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

“believes, however, that centrally directed sexual health strategies, such as the Executive’s sexual health and relationships strategy, will have a limited reach, and considers that the Executive should publicly affirm the primary responsibility of parents in ensuring that their children are brought up with respect for themselves and others.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 96, Abstentions 0).

Patrick Harvie moved amendment S2M-2958.4 to motion S2M-2958—

Insert at end—

“recognises that there is a need both for clinical services and for prevention work which enables individuals to take greater control of their own sexual health and that both elements must be delivered in ways which recognise the diversity of the population and respect their equal rights to information and services; is concerned, therefore, by the decision by NHS Greater Glasgow to cut the funding to Caledonia Youth’s Glasgow branch, which will lead to the closure of a service with a record of working to address the sexual health needs of excluded young people, and calls on the Executive to work with NHS boards to ensure that existing services are maintained and improved upon wherever possible.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 31, Against 77, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 97, Against 14, Abstentions 0).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2962—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Wednesday 22 June 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Member’s Oath/Affirmation
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 1 Debate: Licensing (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members’ Business

Thursday 23 June 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: Review of Scottish Executive Financial Management 2004-05
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: Legal Aid Reform
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 29 June 2005

9.30 am Time for Reflection
followed by Stage 1 Debate: Housing (Scotland) Bill
followed by Financial Resolution: Housing (Scotland) Bill

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Transport (Scotland) Bill
followed by Business Motion
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 30 June 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Finance Committee Debate: 2nd Report 2005, Cross-cutting Expenditure Review of Economic Development

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 Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill
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 8 September 2005 should end at 12 noon on Wednesday 29 June 2005.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (by division: For 92, Against 16, Abstentions 3).

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2961—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Mental

Health (Safeguards for Certain Informal Patients) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

8. Centenary of Barnardo's: The Parliament debated S2M-2504 in the name of Robert Brown—That the Parliament notes the centenary of the death of Dr Thomas Barnardo in 1905; recognises that, although it no longer runs orphanages, the charity he founded has grown and developed over the years, and congratulates the modern-day Barnardo's for its work, which includes the management of 60 services that support almost 10,000 of Scotland's most vulnerable and disadvantaged children and families to overcome challenges including sexual abuse, exclusion from school, HIV/AIDS, leaving care, substance misuse, disabilities, mental health issues and social exclusion.

The meeting closed at 6.02 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-2775—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 89, Against 17, Abstentions 0).

2. Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-2933—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill, agrees—

- (a) to the following expenditure out of the Scottish Consolidated Fund—
 - (i) expenditure of the Scottish Administration in consequence of the Act; and
 - (ii) increases attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of that Fund under any other enactment; and
- (b) to any payment required to be made by virtue of the Act.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 89, Against 3, Abstentions 14).

3. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) made a statement and answered questions on ID Cards.

4. General Question Time: Questions were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

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

6. 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 and by the Scottish Law Officers.

7. Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved S2M-2774—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 93, Against 0, Abstentions 15).

8. Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution:

The Deputy Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Lewis Macdonald) moved S2M-2894—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Environmental Assessment (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) by division: For 93, Against 0, Abstentions 16).

9. Motion without Notice: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved, without notice, a motion under Rule 11.2.4 of Standing Orders that Decision Time on Thursday 16 June 2005 be taken at 4.56 pm.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2, 7 and 8 as noted above.

11. Learning Disability Week, 19 to 26 June 2005: The Parliament debated S2M-2869 in the name of Jackie Baillie—That the Parliament welcomes the 28th annual Learning Disability Week which takes place from 19 to 26 June 2005; notes that this week is important in raising the profile of people with learning disabilities and family carers; further notes that the theme, "It's Our Community Too", highlights the difficulties that people with learning disabilities face in becoming involved with their local communities; celebrates the work of ENABLE and the Scottish Consortium for Learning Disability in raising awareness, changing negative perceptions, encouraging participation and building respect; recognises that it is five years since the seminal policy document, *The same as you?*, was published by the Scottish Executive which aims to improve access to opportunities for people with learning disabilities; welcomes direct ministerial involvement in chairing the Implementation Group, and, while congratulating the Executive on the steps taken so far, encourages it to maintain the momentum for change in order to achieve full implementation of the recommendations.

The meeting closed at 5.52 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

- 1. Time for Reflection:** Rev Michael L. Lindvall, Senior Minister, The Brick Presbyterian Church, New York, USA, led Time for Reflection.
- 2. Oaths and Affirmations:** Mr Derek Brownlee took the oath of allegiance before the Clerk.
- 3. Licensing (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1:** The Deputy Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Tavish Scott) moved S2M-2776—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Licensing (Scotland) Bill.

Bruce Crawford moved amendment S2M-2776.1 to motion S2M-2776—

Insert at end—

“but, in so doing, notes the concerns expressed by the Local Government and Transport Committee in its Stage 1 Report on the Bill that, in respect of the Financial Memorandum, it considered that more robust financial details were required and as a result the committee was not in a position to determine whether the Financial Memorandum was adequate.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 45, Against 64, Abstentions 7).

The motion was then agreed to (DT).

- 4. Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3004—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that the meeting of the Parliament on Wednesday 29 June 2005 may continue until 7.00 pm, as permitted under Rule 2.2.4; and

(b) that Decision Time on Wednesday 29 June 2005 shall begin at 6.00 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

- 5. Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3005—That the Parliament agrees that—

(a) for the purposes of allowing the meeting of the Parliament on Thursday 30 June 2005 to continue beyond 5.30 pm, the word “Wednesday” in Rules 2.2.4 and 2.2.5(c) be suspended and that the word “Thursday” be substituted for it in each place, and that Rule 2.2.5(a) be suspended;

(b) under Rule 2.2.4 thus varied, the meeting of the Parliament on Thursday 30 June 2005 may continue to 7.00 pm; and

(c) Decision Time on Thursday 30 June 2005 shall begin at 6.00 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3018—That the Parliament agrees that Rule 5.6.1(c) of Standing Orders be suspended for the purpose of Members' Business on Thursday 30 June 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3019—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 29 June 2005

9.30 am	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 1 Debate: Housing (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Financial Resolution: Housing (Scotland) Bill
12 noon	Ministerial Statement: White Paper on Modernising the Planning System
2.00 pm	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	First Minister's Motion to appoint Ministers
2.35 pm	Stage 3 Proceedings: Transport (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
6.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 30 June 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Finance Committee Debate: 2nd Report 2005, Cross-cutting Expenditure Review of Economic Development
10.45 am	Stage 3 Proceedings: Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
12.30 pm	Members' Business

2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Health and Community Care; Environment and Rural Development
2.55 pm	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Continuation of Stage 3 Proceedings: Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
6.00 pm	Decision Time

The motion was agreed to.

8. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2996—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003 (Amendment of Police (Scotland) Act 1967) Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2997—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 (Consequential Modifications and Amendments) Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2998—That the Parliament agrees that Mark Ballard be appointed to replace John Swinburne on the Finance Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2999—That the Parliament agrees that John Swinburne be appointed to replace Shiona Baird on the Equal Opportunities Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3000—That the Parliament agrees that Shiona Baird be appointed to replace Chris Ballance on the Enterprise and Culture Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3001—That the Parliament agrees that

Chris Ballance be appointed to replace Mark Ballard on the Procedures Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

14. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3002—That the Parliament agrees that Eleanor Scott be appointed to replace Robin Harper on the Audit Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

15. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3003—That the Parliament agrees that the Environment and Rural Development Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Environmental Levy on Plastic Bags (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

16. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on item 3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 as noted above.

17. Just Youth Intergenerational DVD: The Parliament debated S2M-2703 in the name of Karen Whitefield—That the Parliament congratulates all those involved in the production of the Just Youth Intergenerational DVD, a project designed to challenge intergenerational stereotypes; congratulates, in particular, the young people and staff of the Just Youth Project in Airdrie, the community learning and development staff of North Lanarkshire Council and also the residents of Gartlea Gardens sheltered housing complex who participated in the DVD; commends North Lanarkshire Council for this innovative attempt to build stronger and more positive relationships between young and old, and further commends the Scottish Executive for funding this initiative through the youth justice fund.

The meeting closed at 5.46 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Financial Management 2004-5, including Provisional Outturn Figures: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-3015—That the Parliament notes the improved financial management of the Scottish Executive, including the latest provisional outturn figures; encourages the Executive to continue its constructive dialogue with the Finance Committee to improve understanding, transparency and scrutiny, and notes the importance of this process to the efficient delivery of commitments outlined in *A Partnership for a Better Scotland*.

Alasdair Morgan moved amendment S2M-3015.2 to motion S2M-3015—

Leave out from first “notes” to “figures”.

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 31, Against 76, Abstentions 5).

Mr Ted Brocklebank moved amendment S2M-3015.1 to motion S2M-3015—

Leave out from “improved” to end and insert—

“latest provisional outturn figures; encourages the Scottish Executive to continue its constructive dialogue with the Finance Committee to improve understanding, transparency and scrutiny; further notes the importance of this process to the efficient delivery of commitments outlined in *A Partnership for a Better Scotland*, and is disappointed, however, that, despite earlier assurances by the Executive, its efficiency drive falls substantially short of the Gershon savings instigated in Whitehall.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 14, Against 97, Abstentions 1).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 64, Against 42, Abstentions 7).

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 Deputy First Minister (Mr Jim Wallace).

4. Themed Question Time: Questions on Finance and Public Services and Communities and on Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Legal Aid Reform: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-3012—That the Parliament recognises the crucial role which publicly

funded legal aid, advice and information has in guiding individuals towards resolution of legal problems; welcomes the Scottish Executive's consultation on improving the effectiveness and efficiency of publicly funded legal assistance, and supports the Executive's determination to continue to work in partnership with the legal profession and the public and voluntary sectors to develop a system that effectively supports those who require it.

Mr Kenny MacAskill moved amendment S2M-3012.1 to motion S2M-3012—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“notes with concern current difficulties in the funding, staffing and resourcing of a variety of legal services through a multiplicity of agencies, professions and services; believes that the provision of legal and advice services requires a fundamental review in order for it to meet the new challenges and needs of the 21st century, and calls for a commission to be established with a wide remit, predicated on the principle that access to justice for all is paramount, to consider and advise on the best method of delivering such access and the best use of available resources within the judiciary, legal profession and the public and voluntary sectors.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 36, 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-3007—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 6 October 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3008—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 completed by 1 December 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3009—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 4 October 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

9. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3010—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the St Andrew's Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 6 October 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

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

11. W8 Summit: The Parliament debated S2M-2951 in the name of Christine Grahame—That the Parliament welcomes the W8 Conference taking place in Edinburgh on 23 June 2005, where eight African women will address the conference; believes that these eight women could change the face of Africa if given some of the support and decision-making power of the G8 leaders meeting at Gleneagles, and notes that these woman have all made significant contributions across Africa and that their voices need to be heard so that practical solutions at grass roots level are not overlooked among welcome, but often remote, international diplomacy.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Dr Paul McKeown, Minister of Belhelvie Parish Church, Aberdeenshire, led Time for Reflection.

2. Housing (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-2986—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Housing (Scotland) Bill.

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

3. Housing (Scotland) Bill - Financial Resolution: The Deputy Minister for Communities (Johann Lamont) moved S2M-2617—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Housing (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in paragraph 3(b)(iii) of Rule 9.12 of the Parliament’s Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

4. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) made a statement and answered questions on the White Paper on Modernising the Planning System.

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3060—That the Parliament agrees, as a revision to the business programme for Thursday 30 June 2005—

leave out,

12.30 pm Members’ Business

and insert,

12.30pm Election to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body

followed by Members’ Business

The motion was agreed to.

6. Transport (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3059—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Transport (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 3 – 40 minutes
Groups 4 to 6 – 1 hour and 10 minutes
Groups 7 to 11 – 1 hour and 40 minutes
Groups 12 to 17 – 2 hours and 25 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

7. Appointment of Minister: The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) moved S2M-3041—That the Parliament agrees that Tavish Scott be appointed as a Minister.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (by division: For 62, Against 38, Abstentions 0).

8. Junior Scottish Ministers: The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) moved S2M-3042—That the Parliament agrees that George Lyon and Robert Brown be appointed as junior Scottish Ministers.

Fiona Hyslop moved amendment S2M-3042.1 to motion S2M-3042—

Leave out “and Robert Brown”.

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 41, Against 65, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to (by division: For 64, Against 17, Abstentions 23).

9. Transport (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 68, 69, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 52, 53, 54, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62 and 63

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

27 (For 93, Against 14, Abstentions 0)
55 (For 95, Against 18, Abstentions 0)
56 (For 96, Against 16, Abstentions 1)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

65 (For 14, Against 89, Abstentions 0)
17A (For 29, Against 80, Abstentions 0)
17B (For 30, Against 79, Abstentions 0)
17C (For 32, Against 80, Abstentions 0)
49 (For 21, Against 79, Abstentions 7)

50	(For 50, Against 64, Abstentions 1)
80	(For 18, Against 94, Abstentions 0)
81	(For 17, Against 92, Abstentions 0)
8	(For 49, Against 63, Abstentions 1)

Amendments 66, 67, 70, 17D, 17E, 17F, 17G, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 51, 3, 4, 78, 52A, 82, 57, 7, 83, 64 and 9 were not moved.

10. Transport (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Deputy Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Tavish Scott) moved S2M-3039—That the Parliament agrees that the Transport (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 98, Against 17, Abstentions 0).

11. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3058—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 6 September 2005

10.30 am	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	First Minister's Statement: Scottish Executive's Programme
2.30 pm	Executive Debate: Scottish Executive's Programme
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 am	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Wednesday 7 September 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Continuation of Executive Debate: Scottish Executive's Programme
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning; Justice and Law Officers
2.55 pm	Continuation of Executive Debate: Scottish Executive's Programme
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

followed by

Members' Business

and (b) that Stage 2 of the Licensing (Scotland) Bill be completed by 8 November 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

12. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3047—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Dentists Act 1984 (Amendment) Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 3, 10 and 12 as noted above.

14. Closure of Clydesdale Bank Branches: The Parliament debated S2M-2833 in the name of Paul Martin—That the Parliament condemns the decision by National Australia Bank to close 60 Clydesdale Bank branches within Scotland over the next 18 months; notes that research has demonstrated that the closure of branches triggers an outflow of economic activity and threatens the long-term survival of communities, particularly when a bank is “the last bank in town”; believes that closures will have a devastating impact on local communities, particularly in poorer areas where alternative banking is not accessible, and will affect the most vulnerable and least able to travel, such as older people, the less able and parents with young children, and considers that the National Australia Bank should reconsider this massive programme, particularly where a closure will leave communities without any local bank.

The meeting closed at 6.53 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill: George Lyon, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3062—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Smoking, Health and Social Care (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 – 55 minutes
Groups 5 to 7 – 1 hour and 20 minutes
Groups 8 to 10 – 2 hours
Groups 11 to 13 – 3 hours

The motion was agreed to.

2. Finance Committee, *Cross-cutting Expenditure Review of Economic Development*: Des McNulty, on behalf of the Finance Committee, moved S2M-3031—That the Parliament notes the recommendations contained in the Finance Committee's 2nd Report, 2005 (Session 2): *Cross-cutting Expenditure Review of Economic Development* (SP Paper 312).

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

3. Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

33	(For 13, Against 93, Abstentions 1)
38	(For 15, Against 91, Abstentions 1)
40	(For 15, Against 92, Abstentions 1)
44	(For 13, Against 93, Abstentions 1)

The following amendments were moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn: 53 and 55.

The following amendments were not moved: 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 41, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 54 and 56.

4. General Question Time: Questions were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers

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

6. Daily Business List: The Presiding Officer, under Rule 7.7.4 altered the daily business list to take Members' Business at 6.00 pm.

7. Election of Members to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body: The following members were nominated as candidates for appointment to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body—

Mark Ballard
Nora Radcliffe
Jean Turner

The result was—

Mark Ballard	7
Nora Radcliffe	99
Jean Turner	3

Nora Radcliffe was duly elected as a member of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body.

8. Themed Question Time: Questions on Health and Community Care, and on Environment and Rural Development were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

9. Motion without Notice: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that Rule 12.3.3A of Standing Orders be suspended for the purpose of allowing the Standards and Public Appointments Committee to meet in the afternoon of Thursday 30 June 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

10. Motion without Notice: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that, under Rule 7.3.3(b), the Parliament agrees that Carolyn Leckie, Colin Fox, Rosie Kane and Frances Curran be excluded from the Chamber for the month of September 2005 and from any meeting of the Parliament in the Chamber during the intervening period.

The motion was agreed to.

11. Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Parliament resumed consideration of the Bill at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 7, 64, 18, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 67 and 68.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

1	(For 75, Against 1, Abstentions 17)
24	(For 56, Against 52, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

- 60 (For 16, Against 82, Abstentions 1)
- 63 (For 30, Against 75, Abstentions 0)
- 65 (For 51, Against 57, Abstentions 0)
- 62 (For 16, Against 87, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn: 57 and 19.

The following amendments were not moved: 58, 59, 17, 20, 21, 22, 2, 66 and 69.

12. Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr) moved S2M-2985— That the Parliament agrees that the Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 97, Against 17, Abstentions 1).

13. Membership of Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3048—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Kenneth Macintosh be appointed to replace Christine May on the Subordinate Legislation Committee;

S2M-3049—That the Parliament agrees that Christine May be appointed to the Standards and Public Appointments Committee;

S2M-3050—That the Parliament agrees that Karen Gillon be appointed to replace Mr Alasdair Morrison on the European and External Relations Committee;

S2M-3051—That the Parliament agrees that Elaine Smith be appointed to replace Karen Gillon on the Environment and Rural Development Committee;

S2M-3064—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Jim Wallace be appointed to replace Iain Smith on the European and External Relations Committee;

S2M-3065—That the Parliament agrees that Euan Robson be appointed to replace Margaret Smith on the Local Government and Transport Committee;

S2M-3066—That the Parliament agrees that Margaret Smith be appointed to replace George Lyon on the Audit Committee, and

S2M-3067—That the Parliament agrees that Iain Smith be appointed to replace Robert Brown on the Education Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

14. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3052—That the Parliament agrees that Dr Elaine Murray be appointed to replace Bill Butler as substitute member on the Local Government and Transport Committee;

S2M-3053—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Kenneth Macintosh be appointed to replace Paul Martin as substitute member on the Health Committee;

S2M-3054—That the Parliament agrees that Trish Godman be appointed to replace Janis Hughes as substitute member on the Environment and Rural Development Committee;

S2M-3055—That the Parliament agrees that Karen Gillon be appointed to replace Helen Eadie as substitute member on the Justice 1 Committee;

S2M-3056—That the Parliament agrees that Janis Hughes be appointed to replace Gordon Jackson as substitute member on the Finance Committee, and

S2M-3057—That the Parliament agrees that Paul Martin be appointed to replace Marilyn Livingstone as substitute member on the Standards and Public Appointments Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

15. Motion without Notice: Brian Adam moved without notice that, under Rule 8.2.6, the Parliament agrees to take motion S2M-3078.

The motion was agreed to.

16. Standards and Public Appointments Committee, *Complaint against Colin Fox MSP, Frances Curran MSP, Rosie Kane MSP and Carolyn Leckie MSP*: Brian Adam, on behalf of the Standards and Public Appointments Committee, moved motion S2M-3078—that the Parliament agrees that Colin Fox MSP, Frances Curran MSP, Rosie Kane MSP and Carolyn Leckie MSP be excluded from all proceedings of the Parliament for the month of September 2005 and that their right of access to the Parliamentary complex, their right of access to Parliamentary facilities and services and their salaries and allowances be withdrawn for that period.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

17. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 12, 13, 14, and 16 as noted above.

18. Royal Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland: The Parliament debated S2M-2987 in the name of Fiona Hyslop—That the Parliament notes the recent publication of an economic impact assessment of the Royal Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland at Ingliston which indicates that £250 million is generated for the economy of which £100 million supports the local Lothian economy; notes that 1.2 million visitors pass through the site each year; is concerned that Her Majesty's Government's White Paper, *The Future of Air Transport*, seeks to secure all of the 300-acre site for future development of Edinburgh Airport which threatens the future successful operation of the society and its year-round events; recognises the important role that the showpiece event, the Royal Highland Show, has for the farming sector, and, noting that this is an ideal site and that there will be a considerable expenditure from the public purse on public transport provision in the area, expresses its view that all parties concerned with economic, rural and transport interests should make further and urgent efforts to examine options for future co-existence of the society and Edinburgh Airport at Ingliston and make representations to the Secretary of State for Transport to achieve this.

The meeting closed at 6.49 pm.

No.17 Tuesday 6 September 2005

The meeting opened at 10.30 am.

- 1. Time for Reflection:** Reverend Lorna Hood, Minister of Renfrew North Parish Church led Time for Reflection.
- 2. First Minister's Statement:** The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) made a statement and answered questions on the Scottish Executive's programme.
- 3. Scottish Executive's Programme:** The Parliament debated the First Minister's statement on the Scottish Executive's programme.
- 4. Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-3228—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 14 September 2005

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| 2.30 pm | Time for Reflection |
| <i>followed by</i> | Parliamentary Bureau Motions |
| <i>followed by</i> | Executive Debate: Clyde and Hebrides Lifeline Ferry Services |
| <i>followed by</i> | Finance Committee Motions: The Budget Process (Written Agreements) |
| <i>followed by</i> | Business Motion |
| <i>followed by</i> | Parliamentary Bureau Motions |
| 5.00 pm | Decision Time |
| <i>followed by</i> | Members' Business |

Thursday 15 September 2005

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| 9.15 am | Parliamentary Bureau Motions |
| <i>followed by</i> | Stage 1 Debate: Family Law (Scotland) Bill |
| <i>followed by</i> | Financial Resolution in respect of the Family Law (Scotland) Bill |
| 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 | Executive Debate: Improving Scottish Schools |
| <i>followed by</i> | Parliamentary Bureau Motions |

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 21 September 2005

2.30 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Environment and Rural Development Committee Debate: 5th Report, 2005, Inquiry into Climate Change
followed by Standards and Public Appointments Committee Debate: Draft Consultation on the Code of Practice for Ministerial Appointments to Public Bodies in Scotland
followed by Business Motion
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 22 September 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Scottish Green Party 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 80, Against 34, Abstentions 1)

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-3195—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that consideration of the Environmental Levy on Plastic Bags (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 27 January 2006; and

(b) that consideration of the Housing (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 4 November 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Membership of Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3196—That the Parliament agrees that Alex Johnstone be appointed to replace Mr Jamie McGrigor on the Procedures Committee;

S2M-3197—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Ted Brocklebank be appointed to replace Alex Johnstone on the Environment and Rural Development Committee;

S2M-3198—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Jamie McGrigor be appointed to replace Phil Gallie on the Equal Opportunities Committee;

S2M-3199—That the Parliament agrees that Derek Brownlee be appointed to replace Mr Ted Brocklebank on the Finance Committee; and

S2M-3200—That the Parliament agrees that Mr David Davidson be appointed to the Local Government and Transport Committee.

The motions were agreed to.

7. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on item 6 as noted above.

8. Autistic Spectrum Disorder: The Parliament debated S2M-2712 in the name of Mrs Karen Gillon—That the Parliament notes that, according to the latest census publication, *Pupils in Scotland, 2004*, there are 3,090 pupils diagnosed with an autistic spectrum disorder who have a Record of Needs and/or an Individualised Educational Programme in primary, secondary and special schools in Scotland; further notes that, as it is a spectrum condition, children with autistic spectrum disorders have a range of abilities with some having complex needs; believes that a range of provision is required to meet the needs of each child appropriately and that this may include support from other agencies, and considers that the Scottish Executive should ensure that the needs of children with autistic spectrum disorders are appropriately met so that they can benefit from education and learning.

The meeting closed at 5.52 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. **Scottish Executive's Programme:** The Parliament continued its debate on the First Minister's Statement on the Scottish Executive's Programme.
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 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.
5. **Scottish Executive's Programme:** The Parliament continued its debate on the First Minister's Statement on the Scottish Executive's Programme.
6. **Paisley Choral Festival:** The Parliament debated S2M-3148 in the name of Miss Annabel Goldie—That the Parliament notes the recent launch by Voices in Paisley of the Paisley Choral Festival to be held between 30 September and 15 October 2005; congratulates the organisers on their commitment and vision; acknowledges the valuable support and encouragement given by Renfrewshire Council and other local bodies and organisations, and commends this initiative, not only for both harnessing and nurturing musical ability within the area, but also for being a contributor to the wider economic, social and cultural regeneration of Paisley.

The meeting closed at 5.37 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Sir Jonathan Sacks, Chief Rabbi of the United Hebrew Congregations of the Commonwealth led Time for Reflection.

2. Clyde and Hebrides Lifeline Ferry Services: The Minister for Transport and Telecommunications (Tavish Scott) moved S2M-3253—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Executive's further detailed consideration of the EU requirements relating to the Clyde and Hebrides lifeline ferry services; notes the serious consequences of these services not being compatible with the regulations; recognises the Executive's commitment to secure the continued employment of the Caledonian MacBrayne workforce and the protection of their terms, conditions and pension rights, and acknowledges that the tendering of the Clyde and Hebrides lifeline ferry services is required to protect these vital services.

Fergus Ewing moved amendment S2M-3253.3 to motion S2M-3253—

Leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert—

"notes that the Minister for Transport and Telecommunications has stated that the tender process which he supports will result in extra cost to the taxpayer and believes that the Scottish Executive's tender proposals may put employment and pension rights at risk, whilst not resulting in any improvement to ferry services for the Clyde and Hebrides; believes that documents published by the Executive on 12 September 2005 should be considered further but that as they stand the tender proposals are flawed, and calls on the Executive to remit the matter to the Local Government and Transport Committee with a view to the appointment of a task force to give final consideration to the question as to whether tendering is the sole method of satisfying the legal requirements and, insofar as possible, to devise solutions to the flaws contained in the Executive's current proposals."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 37, Against 64, Abstentions 16).

Mr David Davidson moved amendment S2M-3253.2 to motion S2M-3253—

Leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert—

"believes that the proposed tendering of the entire Caledonian MacBrayne (CalMac) network as a single bundle will be a costly, disruptive and bureaucratic exercise which shall do nothing whatsoever to improve ferry services; further believes that there is scope for significant efficiency savings and improvements to the network and that tendering of any routes must be genuinely open to any operator who can ensure the best possible value for the taxpayer and ferry users; rejects the Scottish Executive's implied assumption that no routes currently operated by CalMac could be run on a commercial basis, and, in light of this, calls on the Executive to issue proposals for smaller route bundles to attract commercial interest which could lead to efficiency savings and improvements to services."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 16, Against 98, Abstentions 3).

Tommy Sheridan moved amendment S2M-3253.1 to motion S2M-3253—

Leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert—

"opposes the proposals of the Scottish Executive to put the Caledonian MacBrayne ferry services out to tender as it views these proposals as unnecessary, unacceptable and in conflict with the need to defend lifeline services and the jobs of those who work in these services."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 37, Against 78, Abstentions 1).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 63, Against 53, Abstentions 1).

3. Budget Process (Written Agreements): Des McNulty, on behalf of the Finance Committee, moved S2M-3234—That the Parliament notes the two written agreements on the budgeting process between the Finance Committee and (a) the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body and (b) the Scottish Commission for Public Audit (SP Papers 399 and 400 respectively) and agrees their terms.

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

4. Budget Process (Written Agreements): Des McNulty, on behalf of the Finance Committee, moved S2M-3235—That the Parliament notes the three written agreements on the budgeting process between the Finance Committee and the Scottish Executive on the budgeting process (SP Paper 398) and agrees their terms.

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

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3275—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 21 September 2005

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Environment and Rural Development Committee Debate: 5th Report, 2005, Inquiry into Climate Change

followed by Standards and Public Appointments Committee Debate: 6th Report, 2005, Draft Code of Practice for Ministerial Appointments to Public Bodies in Scotland

followed by Business Motion

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 22 September 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Scottish Green Party 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 Debate: Report of the Cultural Commission
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 28 September 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 29 September 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Justice 2 Committee Debate: 9th Report, 2005, Inquiry into Youth Justice

11.40 am General Question Time

12 noon First Minister's Question Time

2.15 pm Themed Question Time—
Justice and Law Officers;
Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning

2.55 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 SSIs: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3255—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.5) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/379) be approved;

S2M-3256—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.6) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/384) be approved;

S2M-3257—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.7) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/391) be approved;

S2M-3258—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.8) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/410) be approved; and

S2M-3259—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/415) be approved.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

7. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3260—That the Parliament agrees that Mr David Davidson be appointed to replace Mr Ted Brocklebank as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Audit Committee;

S2M-3261—That the Parliament agrees that Alex Johnstone be appointed to replace John Scott as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Communities Committee;

S2M-3262—That the Parliament agrees that Bill Aitken be appointed as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Equal Opportunities Committee;

S2M-3263—That the Parliament agrees that Derek Brownlee be appointed to replace Murdo Fraser as the Scottish Conservative and

Unionist Party substitute on the European and External Relations Committee;

S2M-3264—That the Parliament agrees that John Scott be appointed as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Finance Committee;

S2M-3265—That the Parliament agrees that Murray Tosh be appointed as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Local Government and Transport Committee;

S2M-3266—That the Parliament agrees that Murdo Fraser be appointed to replace Murray Tosh as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Procedures Committee; and

S2M-3267—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Ted Brocklebank be appointed to replace Alex Johnstone as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Subordinate Legislation Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

8. Designation of Lead Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3268—That the Parliament agrees that the Local Government and Transport Committee be designated as lead committee and that the Standards and Public Appointments Committee be designated as secondary committee in consideration of the draft Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Amendment of Specified Authorities) Order 2005; and

S2M-3269—That the Parliament agrees that the Local Government and Transport Committee be designated as lead committee and that the Standards and Public Appointments Committee be designated as secondary committee in consideration of the draft Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Treatment of Office or Body as Specified Authority) Order 2005.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 as noted above.

10. Future of Crofting: The Parliament debated S2M-3219 in the name of John Farquhar Munro—That the Parliament recognises the importance of crofting to the social and economic life of the Highlands and Islands and wishes to see the continuation of sustainable crofting communities; shares the concerns of crofting communities, such as those in Skye and Lochalsh and throughout the crofting counties, regarding the threat to crofting communities from the lack of action by the Crofters Commission over the decrofting of land

and sale of crofts, and from absentee crofters and dereliction; believes that crofting tenancies should not be sold on the open market which is currently allowing local people to be outbid by those with no understanding of, or long-term commitment to, crofting and the crofting community, and further believes that if this continues it will, in a generation, lead to the end of crofting in everything but name.

The meeting closed at 6.02 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Family Law (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-3233—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Family Law (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 86, Against 4, Abstentions 23).

2. Family Law (Scotland) Bill – Financial Resolution: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-2737—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Family Law (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any increase, in consequence of the Act, in expenditure charged on, or payable out of, the Scottish Consolidated Fund.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 94, Against 2, Abstentions 17).

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, and on Finance and Public Services and Communities were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

6. Quality Teachers for the 21st Century: The Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) moved S2M-3278—That the Parliament recognises the significant investments made by the Scottish Executive in developing the capabilities and professionalism of teachers in Scotland; notes the increase in teacher recruitment and the delivery of improved initial teacher education; welcomes the implementation of radically improved teacher induction arrangements; acknowledges the widening of opportunities and improved quality of Continuing Professional Development for teachers and the development of chartered teacher programmes; recognises the importance of teaching standards in delivering higher educational attainment, and welcomes the Executive's commitment to secure quality teachers for the 21st century.

Mr Adam Ingram moved amendment S2M-3278.2 to motion S2M-3278—

Leave out from “the significant” to end and insert—

“that Scottish teachers are the key drivers for excellence in our education system; further recognises that there will be a continuing need for significant investment in teacher recruitment and induction, initial teacher education and continuous professional

development; notes the challenging nature of the Scottish Executive's pledge to increase teacher numbers to 53,000 by 2007, given that 40% of Scottish teachers are due to retire in the next 10 years; is concerned that the recruitment of mathematics teachers is falling behind targets, threatening promised class-size reductions; commends the work of the General Teaching Council for Scotland in developing quality teaching, and calls on the Executive to fully fund the initial part of the chartered teacher programme for all Scottish teachers".

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 35, Against 77, Abstentions 0).

Lord James Douglas-Hamilton moved amendment S2M-3278.1 to motion S2M-3278—

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

“, while recognising with concern the increasing number of teaching posts vacant for more than three months, welcomes the implementation of radically improved teacher induction arrangements; acknowledges the widening of opportunities and improved quality of Continuing Professional Development for teachers and the development of chartered teacher programmes, but notes the low uptake of these programmes among teachers; recognises the importance of teaching standards in delivering higher educational attainment, and welcomes the Executive's commitment to secure quality teachers for the 21st century but notes that, with 40% of teachers due to retire within 10 years, the issue of teacher retention must be addressed with some urgency.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 48, Against 63, Abstentions 2).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 93, Against 18, Abstentions 2).

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3273—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that the Standards and Public Appointments Committee reports to the Local Government and Transport Committee by 14 October 2005 on the draft Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Amendment of Specified Authorities) Order 2005; and

(b) that the Standards and Public Appointments Committee reports to the Local Government and Transport Committee by 14 October 2005 on the draft Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Treatment of Office or Body as Specified Authority) Order 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3270—That the Parliament agrees that Tricia Marwick be appointed to replace Linda Fabiani on the Communities Committee;

S2M-3271—That the Parliament agrees that Linda Fabiani be appointed to replace Mr John Swinney on the European and External Relations Committee; and

S2M-3272—That the Parliament agrees that Mr John Swinney be appointed to replace Alasdair Morgan on the Finance Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2, 6, 7 and 8 as noted above.

10. Victims' Rights: The Parliament debated S2M-3171 in the name of Margaret Jamieson—That the Parliament notes recent court decisions which put the human rights of prisoners before those of their victims by ignoring the rights of victims to pursue their assailant for damages when compensation is awarded and believes that the Scottish Executive should pursue all avenues to ensure that no convicted criminal has the opportunity to gain financially from their crimes or imprisonment and that victims should be advised of awards of compensation, inheritance or other financial gain.

The meeting closed at 5.39 pm.

No. 21 Wednesday 21 September 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Monsignor John Tormey, Parish Priest of St Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Greenock led Time for Reflection.

2. Environment and Rural Development Committee, *Inquiry into Climate Change*: Sarah Boyack, on behalf of the Environment and Rural Development Committee, moved S2M-3293—That the Parliament notes the recommendations contained in the Environment and Rural Development Committee's 5th Report, 2005 (Session 2): *Report on Inquiry into Climate Change* (SP Paper 342).

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

3. Standards and Public Appointments Committee, *Draft Code of Practice for Ministerial Appointments to Public Bodies in Scotland*: Brian Adam, on behalf of the Standards and Public Appointments Committee, moved S2M-3286—That the Parliament agrees that the Standards and Public Appointments Committee's 6th Report, 2005 (Session 2): *Draft Code of Practice for Ministerial Appointments to Public Bodies in Scotland* (SP Paper 410), together with the *Official Report* of the Parliament's debate on the report, should form the Parliament's response to the consultation by the Office of the Commissioner for Public Appointments in Scotland.

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

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3316—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 28 September 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Preliminary Stage Debate: Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Financial Resolution in respect of the Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: Membership of the Committee of the Regions
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 29 September 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Justice 2 Committee Debate: 9th Report, 2005, Inquiry into Youth Justice
11.40 am General Question Time
12 noon First Minister's Question Time
12.30 pm Themed Question Time—
Justice and Law Officers;
Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
1.10 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 5 October 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 6 October 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—
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.

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3309—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Family Law (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 30 November 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

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

S2M-3301—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Mental Health (Definition of Specified Person: Correspondence) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved;

S2M-3302—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Mental Health (Absconding by mentally disordered offenders) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved;

S2M-3303—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Mental Health (Use of Telephones) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved;

S2M-3304—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 (Modification of Enactments) Order 2005 be approved;

S2M-3305—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Mental Health (Safety and Security) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved;

S2M-3306—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Mental Health (Cross-border transfer: patients subject to detention requirement or otherwise in hospital) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved;

S2M-3307—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Regulations be approved; and

S2M-3308—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Offensive Weapons) (Scotland) Order 2005 be approved.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

The meeting was suspended from 16.57 pm until 17.00 pm.

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

8. Accident Record on the A9: The Parliament debated S2M-3155 in the name of Mr John Swinney—That the Parliament notes with concern the statistics recently published by the Scottish Executive that show that 82 fatalities occurred on the A9 in the last five years; recognises that this is the

highest number of fatalities for any trunk road in Scotland; notes the local concern at the delays that have occurred in undertaking promised junction improvements at Ballinluig and Bankfoot in Perthshire, and recognises that, even when these improvements are made, the road will remain fundamentally unsafe until it is reconstructed as a dual carriageway from Perth to Inverness.

The meeting closed at 5.50 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Economic Policy: Mr Mark Ruskell moved S2M-3321—That the Parliament notes that the top priority of the Scottish Executive, as stated in the current Partnership Agreement, is “growing the economy” but reminds the Executive that GDP, its preferred measure of economic growth, makes no distinction between beneficial and harmful economic activity, ignores many socially beneficial and highly desirable practices and treats the depletion of natural capital as income and is therefore a very poor indicator of economic development; agrees with the Labour Party Policy Commission on the Environment that “For too long, economic and political success has been measured solely in terms of the rate of growth of economic activity”; considers, therefore, that if Scotland is to enjoy economic development that does not compromise social justice and environmental sustainability it needs a more meaningful yardstick than simply measuring the monetary value of goods and services produced in Scotland; remains committed to assisting the positive economic development of a healthy Scottish economy and considers that placing sustainability and national well-being at the heart of Executive policy will ultimately lead to a stronger, healthier and more innovative economic future for the people of Scotland, and urges the Executive to consider alternatives to GDP with a view to adopting a more suitable measure of national progress as its top priority.

The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Allan Wilson) moved amendment S2M-3321.4 to motion S2M-3321—

Leave out from “notes” to end, and insert—

“supports growing the economy as the top priority of the Scottish Executive; believes that economic growth must be sustainable; agrees with the Partnership Agreement commitment to assess economic development policies against their impact on sustainable development indicators; notes that the Framework for Economic Development in Scotland has made sustainable development the principal objective; welcomes the stronger emphasis on sustainability in the refresh of A Smart Successful Scotland; endorses the Executive’s determination to drive forward its green jobs strategy, and endorses the Executive’s commitment to sustainable development.”

Jim Mather moved amendment S2M-3321.1 to motion S2M-3321—

Insert at end—

“as a pre-requisite for a new era in which, no matter how national wealth is measured, the Scottish Parliament should have legislative responsibility for the management of all our natural resources.”

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-3321.2 to motion S2M-3321—

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

“the Scottish economy actually experienced zero growth in the first quarter of this year; believes that GDP growth is an extremely important measurement of quality of life because a strong economy is crucial to providing individual financial security and the necessary investment for quality public services; further believes that the Executive’s stewardship of the economy has been detrimental to the quality of life of many Scots; notes that Scotland fell four places in the UK Regional Competitiveness Index between 1997 and 2005, and therefore calls on the Executive to take concrete action to reverse our economic under-performance by cutting red tape, privatising Scottish Water, increasing investment in roads and public transport and specifying a date for the proposed cut in business rates.”

After debate, amendment S2M-3321.4 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 59, Against 27, Abstentions 13). As a result amendment S2M-3321.2 was pre-empted.

After debate, amendment S2M-3321.1 was not agreed to ((DT) by division: For 25, Against 74, Abstentions 0).

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 60, Against 25, Abstentions 14).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament supports growing the economy as the top priority of the Scottish Executive; believes that economic growth must be sustainable; agrees with the Partnership Agreement commitment to assess economic development policies against their impact on sustainable development indicators; notes that the Framework for Economic Development in Scotland has made sustainable development the principal objective; welcomes the stronger emphasis on sustainability in the refresh of A Smart Successful Scotland; endorses the Executive’s determination to drive forward its green jobs strategy, and endorses the Executive’s commitment to sustainable development.

2. Children of Asylum Seekers: Robin Harper moved S2M-3323—That the Parliament acknowledges the trauma experienced by the children of asylum seekers when families are removed for deportation and the impact this has on school communities; believes that practices such as those reportedly used against the Vucaj family in Glasgow, including dawn raids, handcuffing of children and the removal of children by large groups of officers in uniform and body armour, are unnecessary and cause fear and distress to the children concerned; affirms its support for the principles of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) which states that governments should protect children from all forms of physical or mental violence; recognises that, while the Scottish Executive has no direct responsibility for the operation of the asylum and immigration system, it is responsible for the welfare of children, for schools and for working with the UK Government to report on compliance with the UNCRC; commends the First Minister for his aspiration “to ensure that no child is left behind or held back”, and calls on him to give the greatest possible urgency to realising that aspiration for the most vulnerable children in Scotland who include those facing detention and removal.

The Deputy Minister for Education and Young People (Robert Brown) moved amendment S2M-3323.2 to motion S2M-3323—

Leave out from “believes” to end, and insert—

“affirms its support for the principles of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) which states that governments should protect children from all forms of physical or mental violence; recognises that, while the Scottish Executive has no direct responsibility for the operation of the immigration and asylum system, it is responsible for the welfare of children, for schools, and for working with the UK Government to report on compliance with the UNCRC; commends the substantial work done in Scotland to ensure the effective education and inclusion of the children of asylum seekers; believes that, in the vast majority of cases, failed asylum seeker families do not pose either a security threat or a serious risk of flight; calls on Scottish ministers to give the greatest possible urgency to realising their aspirations for the most vulnerable children in Scotland, including those facing detention and removal, and urges them to continue discussions with the Home Office with a view to agreement that the Home Office will work closely with services for children and young people before the removal of any family and to convey to the Home Office the widespread concerns about practices such as so-called “dawn raids”, handcuffing of children, and the removal of children by large groups of officers in uniform and body armour.”

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 74, Against 4, Abstentions 21).

Christine Grahame moved amendment S2M-3323.1 to motion S2M-3323—

Insert at end—

“and, separately, calls on the UK Government to give due regard to the different child protection measures in Scotland, in particular the remit of the Commissioner for Children and Young People and the jurisdiction of the Reporter to the Children’s Panel.”

After debate, amendment S2M-3323.1 was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 40, Against 59, Abstentions 0).

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 80, Against 0, Abstentions 18).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament acknowledges the trauma experienced by the children of asylum seekers when families are removed for deportation and the impact this has on school communities; affirms its support for the principles of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) which states that governments should protect children from all forms of physical or mental violence; recognises that, while the Scottish Executive has no direct responsibility for the operation of the immigration and asylum system, it is responsible for the welfare of children, for schools, and for working with the UK Government to report on compliance with the UNCRC; commends the substantial work done in Scotland to ensure the effective education and inclusion of the children of asylum seekers; believes that, in the vast majority of cases, failed asylum seeker families do not pose either a security threat or a serious risk of flight; calls on Scottish ministers to

give the greatest possible urgency to realising their aspirations for the most vulnerable children in Scotland, including those facing detention and removal, and urges them to continue discussions with the Home Office with a view to agreement that the Home Office will work closely with services for children and young people before the removal of any family and to convey to the Home Office the widespread concerns about practices such as so-called “dawn raids”, handcuffing of children, and the removal of children by large groups of officers in uniform and body armour.

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 Environment and Rural Development and on Health and Community Care were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

6. Report on the Cultural Commission: The Parliament debated the report on the Cultural Commission.

7. Membership of Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3310—That the Parliament agrees that Euan Robson be appointed to replace Donald Gorrie on the Communities Committee.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 95, Against 2, Abstentions 2).

8. Membership of Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3311—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Andrew Arbuckle be appointed to replace Euan Robson on the Local Government and Transport Committee

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

9. Membership of Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3312—That the Parliament agrees that Donald Gorrie be appointed to replace Iain Smith on the Procedures Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3313—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Jim Wallace be appointed as the Liberal Democrat substitute on the Justice 1 Committee; and

S2M-3314—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Jamie McGrigor be appointed to replace Bill Aitken as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Education Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

11. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 and 10 as noted above.

12. Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse: The Parliament debated S2M-3074 in the name of Marilyn Livingstone—That the Parliament notes the invaluable work done by local groups, such as Kingdom Abuse Survivors Project (KASP) in Kirkcaldy, in providing services for survivors of childhood sexual abuse and welcomes the Scottish Executive’s announcement to the Cross Party Group on Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse on future strategic action; further welcomes the creation of a reference group which would include adult survivors and cross party group representation; welcomes the appointment of a lead professional to assist implementation of this strategy following the report of the Short Life Working Group and the establishment of a survivors’ fund of £2 million to pump-prime activity; welcomes the intention of the Executive to publish a document which will highlight mainstream Executive initiatives that already benefit survivors; welcomes the proposed scoping of what community health partnerships and managed clinical networks could offer, given that survivors are not yet aware of the potential benefits these could bring; further welcomes the creation of a network of professionals and adult survivors, which could be virtual, and the commissioning of NHS Education for Scotland to undertake self-help training and public awareness-raising, and welcomes the call for bids for demonstration projects to be met from the survivors’ fund.

The meeting closed at 5.45 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

- 1. Time for Reflection:** Rev Bobby Anderson, Chair of the Network of International Development Organisations in Scotland, led Time for Reflection.
- 2. Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill - Preliminary Stage:** Tricia Marwick, on behalf of the Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill Committee, moved S2M-3329—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill and that the Bill should proceed as a Private Bill.

Fergus Ewing moved amendment S2M-3329.1 to motion S2M-3329—

Insert at end—

“but in doing so expresses concern over the management of the project and therefore considers that the Scottish Executive should discuss with the promoter of the Bill whether it is able to continue to be the promoter.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 28, Against 72, Abstentions 3).

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 103, Against 0, Abstentions 1).

- 3. Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution:** The Minister for Transport and Telecommunications (Tavish Scott) moved S2M-3342—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Waverley Railway (Scotland) 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.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

- 4. Membership of Committee of the Regions:** The Deputy Minister for Finance and Parliamentary Business (George Lyon) moved S2M-3344—That the Parliament endorses the Scottish Executive’s proposal to nominate as representatives of the Parliament Jack McConnell MSP and Irene Oldfather MSP as full members and George Lyon MSP and Richard Lochhead MSP as alternate members on the UK delegation to the Committee of the Regions for the forthcoming session from 2006 to 2010 and notes that the representation from local government will be Councillor Corrie McChord and Councillor Andrew Campbell as full members and Councillor Graham Garvie and Councillor Jim McCabe as alternate members.

Alasdair Morgan moved amendment S2M-3344.1 to motion S2M-3344—

Leave out from “endorses” to end and insert—

“supports the Committee of the Regions as an institution of European co-operation based on the role of regional government and, in promoting the regions of Scotland in that role, proposes that the full and alternate members representing Scotland are elected members of Scotland’s local authorities, including Councillor Keith Brown, Councillor Corrie McChord and Councillor Andrew Campbell as full members and Councillor Graham Garvie and Councillor Jim McCabe as alternate members and instructs the Executive to return to the Parliament with three additional names of councillors as nominees.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 21, Against 72, Abstentions 10).

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 70, Against 21, Abstentions 11).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-3352—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Wednesday 5 October 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Member’s Oath/Affirmation
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: Planning Reform
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members’ Business

Thursday 6 October 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish National Party 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	Ministerial Statement: Business Rates
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 1 Debate: St Andrew’s Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 26 October 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 27 October 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

(b) that the period for members to submit their names for selection for Question Times on 27 October 2005 should end at 12 noon on Wednesday 5 October.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3346—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 9) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/421) be approved;

S2M-3347—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 10) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/431) be approved; and

S2M-3348—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Housing Grants (Assessment of Contributions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

7. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 3, 4 and 6 as noted above.

8. Affordable Rented Housing: The Parliament debated S2M-2911 in the name of John Home Robertson—That the Parliament is concerned about the shortage of affordable rented housing in East Lothian and many communities and the fact that some applicants in overcrowded or unsuitable accommodation can be stuck on waiting lists for years, while others may be compelled to buy or rent housing that they cannot afford; suggests that there is a need for a clearer definition of affordability for the purposes of housing policy; welcomes initiatives by the Scottish Executive to help councils and registered social landlords to increase the supply of affordable housing, including prudential borrowing to fund new building; recognises that the high cost of development land is hindering that policy, and believes that there is a case for further measures to help local authorities to acquire and secure land for affordable housing in the Executive's proposed Planning Bill.

9. Motion without Notice: Murray Tosh moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended until 6.06 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 6.06 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 pm.

1. Justice 2 Committee, *Inquiry into Youth Justice*: Bill Butler, on behalf of the Justice 2 Committee, moved S2M-3317—That the Parliament notes the recommendations contained in the Justice 2 Committee’s 9th Report 2005 (Session 2): *Report on Inquiry into Youth Justice* (SP Paper 370).

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

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 Justice and Law Officers, and on Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning, were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers and by the Scottish Law Officers.

5. Decision Time: The Parliament took a decision on item 1 as noted above.

6. Role of Firefighters in Remote and Rural Areas: The Parliament debated S2M-3162 in the name of Mr David Davidson—That the Parliament applauds the excellent work and invaluable role carried out by those firefighters in remote and rural parts of north east Scotland on the retained duty system but acknowledges the chronic shortage of such firefighters in some Scottish towns; notes that figures published by Her Majesty’s Chief Inspector of Fire Services in Scotland in 2003-04 show levels of retained staff in Scotland running at some 30% below the authorised establishment; considers that these staffing shortages place considerable strain on existing retained staff to support their local communities, and believes that the Scottish Executive should consider innovative ways in which businesses could support recruitment into the retained sector and undertake to examine new mechanisms to encourage businesses and the self-employed to understand the benefits of releasing staff to perform the role of retained firefighters in their communities.

The meeting closed at 2.01 pm.

No. 25 Wednesday 5 October 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

- 1. Time for Reflection:** Rev Dr Norman Maciver, Minister of Newhills Parish Church, Bucksburn, Aberdeen led Time for Reflection.
- 2. Oaths and Affirmations:** Mr Charlie Gordon took the affirmation of allegiance before the Clerk.
- 3. Planning Reform:** The Parliament debated the subject of Planning Reform.
- 4. Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3392—That the Parliament agrees a revision to the programme of business for Thursday 6 October, as agreed on 28 September 2005—

after,

followed by Stage 1 Debate: St Andrew's Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill

insert,

followed by Motion on Natural Environment and Rural Communities Bill – UK
Legislation

followed by Motion on Civil Aviation Bill – UK Legislation

followed by SPCB Motion on Membership of the Scottish Commission for Public
Audit

The motion was agreed to.

- 5. Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3380—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 26 October 2005

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by SPCB Debate: Report on Prioritisation of the Non-Executive Bills
Unit's Workload

followed by Motion on Equalities Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Business Motion

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 27 October 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Executive Debate: Delivering for Health

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 Debate: Homelessness

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 2 November 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 3 November 2005

9.15 pm 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—
Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning;
Justice and Law Officers

2.55 pm Stage 3 Proceedings: Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

6. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3372—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

8. Met Office Aberdeen: The Parliament debated S2M-3073 in the name of Brian Adam—That the Parliament expresses grave concern at proposals by the Met Office to close its office in Aberdeen and transfer the work to Exeter; notes that the Aberdeen office is commercially profitable and that its integrated approach to forecasting and commercial activities is key to that success; further notes its important role in adding value to raw data by providing significant interpretation through local knowledge and by successfully engaging face to face with many of its customers, and considers that the Scottish Executive should engage in the consultation recently announced by the Met Office with the intention of retaining all its activities in Aberdeen and seeking consideration of the devolution of the civil and commercial activities.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. The Scottish Economy: Jim Mather moved S2M-3377—That the Parliament accepts that it is the duty of government to create conditions that foster meaningful levels of economic growth and result in rising living standards, increased life expectancy and a growing demographically balanced population; regrets the fact that the policies of the last 30 years have failed to meet this test, and believes that the time is now right for the Scottish Parliament to exercise full competitive control of the Scottish economy in order to achieve these objectives.

The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Allan Wilson) moved amendment S2M-3377.2 to motion S2M-3377—

Leave out from “create conditions” to end and insert—

“help create the conditions that foster a sustainable economy, rising living standards and an improving quality of life and welcomes the commitment of the Scottish Executive to sustainable economic growth, record levels of investment in public infrastructure and transport connections, its support for competitive business, skills development, training and education, and its promotion of Scotland as a vibrant place to live, work and do business.”

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-3377.1 to motion S2M-3377—

Leave out from “regrets” to end and insert—

“notes, however, that under the stewardship of the Scottish Executive economic growth has consistently trailed that of the United Kingdom; believes that independence would be a costly and unwelcome distraction from the concrete action that can be taken within the devolved framework to boost economic growth, and therefore urges the Executive to cut red tape, privatise Scottish Water, increase investment in transport and cut business rates at the earliest possible opportunity.”

After debate, amendment S2M-3377.2 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 67, Against 47, Abstentions 10). As a result amendment S2M-3377.1 was pre-empted.

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 69, Against 22, Abstentions 33).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament accepts that it is the duty of government to help create the conditions that foster a sustainable economy, rising living standards and an improving quality of life and welcomes the commitment of the Scottish Executive to sustainable economic growth, record levels of investment in public infrastructure and transport connections, its support for competitive business, skills development, training and education, and its promotion of Scotland as a vibrant place to live, work and do business.

2. Scottish Olympic Team: Michael Matheson moved S2M-3381—That the Parliament congratulates London on securing the 2012 Olympic Games, which will encourage many young Scots to become involved in sport; welcomes the recent launch of a campaign to establish a Scottish Olympic team; notes that 78 percent of Scots support the establishment of such a team; recognises that the creation of a Scottish Olympic team will inspire many young Scots to achieve sporting excellence in order to represent their nation in the Olympic arena, and calls on politicians from across the political spectrum to rise up to the challenge set by the people of Scotland and work to establish a Scottish Olympic team.

The Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Patricia Ferguson) moved amendment S2M-3381.2 to motion S2M-3381—

Leave out from “recent launch” to end, and insert—

“Scottish bid to secure the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow in 2014; recognises that these two events would provide an unparalleled opportunity within the United Kingdom for Scots to perform at the highest level, and notes that both events would provide a major impetus to participation and performance in sport at all levels, with all the health and other benefits that brings.”

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 84, Against 33, Abstentions 7).

Mr Jamie McGrigor moved amendment S2M-3381.1 to motion S2M-3381—

Leave out from “London” to end and insert—

“the Great British effort, led by Sebastian Coe, which secured the 2012 Olympic Games for London; recognises that this will greatly encourage young people from Scotland, Northern Ireland, Wales and England to participate in sport and in the quest for Olympic glory for individuals and Team GB; acknowledges the pride of the many Scots who have competed successfully for Team GB; notes that different loyalties do not have to be divided loyalties and that many sports have traditionally been played at GB level, a structure which has served the United Kingdom, athletes and Scottish sport well since the first modern Olympic Games in Athens in 1896; welcomes the news that Hampden Park will host the Olympic football and urges the Scottish Executive to promote other venues in Scotland, such as mountain biking at Fort William, rowing at Strathclyde Park and equestrianism at Gleneagles; further notes that Scottish athletes who compete for Great Britain under the Union Jack do not cease to be Scottish, and believes that, by pooling resources and expertise, Great Britain can compete successfully against much larger nations, providing invaluable experience for the athletes and a source of great national pride for sports fans.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 107, Abstentions 0).

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 92, Against 7, Abstentions 25).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament congratulates London on securing the 2012 Olympic Games, which will encourage many

young Scots to become involved in sport; welcomes the Scottish bid to secure the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow in 2014; recognises that these two events would provide an unparalleled opportunity within the United Kingdom for Scots to perform at the highest level, and notes that both events would provide a major impetus to participation and performance in sport at all levels, with all the health and other benefits that brings.

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 Finance and Communities and on Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

6. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) made a statement and answered questions on Business Rates.

7. St Andrew's Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: Dennis Canavan moved S2M-3356—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the St Andrew's Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved amendment S2M-3356.2 to motion S2M-3356—

Leave out from “agrees” to end, and insert—

“notes that the Enterprise and Culture Committee supports the principles of the Bill; believes that St Andrew's Day should be a day of national celebration and strongly supports the Executive's commitment to achieving this objective; notes that the Enterprise and Culture Committee's Stage 1 report concludes that the Bill does not fulfil this purpose and would not place a statutory obligation on employers to grant St Andrew's Day as part of employee holiday entitlement; seeks to uphold the consensus across the Parliament that we should only legislate where necessary and when we can give effect to that legislation; believes that there is further work to be done to develop proposals to celebrate St Andrew's Day; agrees to refer the St Andrew's Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill back to the Enterprise and Culture Committee for a further report on the general principles, and considers that further proposals should be developed for the celebration of St Andrew's Day.”

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 58, Abstentions 0).

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-3356.1 to motion S2M-3356—

Insert at end—

“but, in so doing, believes that a new bank holiday established as a result of the Bill should not be so established unless an existing bank holiday is no longer specified as a bank holiday.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 106, Abstentions 1).

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 79, Against 31, Abstentions 14).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament notes that the Enterprise and Culture Committee supports the principles of the Bill; believes that St Andrew’s Day should be a day of national celebration and strongly supports the Executive’s commitment to achieving this objective; notes that the Enterprise and Culture Committee’s Stage 1 report concludes that the Bill does not fulfil this purpose and would not place a statutory obligation on employers to grant St Andrew’s Day as part of employee holiday entitlement; seeks to uphold the consensus across the Parliament that we should only legislate where necessary and when we can give effect to that legislation; believes that there is further work to be done to develop proposals to celebrate St Andrew’s Day; agrees to refer the St Andrew’s Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill back to the Enterprise and Culture Committee for a further report on the general principles, and considers that further proposals should be developed for the celebration of St Andrew’s Day.

8. Natural Environment and Rural Communities Bill - UK Legislation: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Ms Margaret Curran) moved S2M-3327—That the Parliament agrees that the provisions in the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Bill relating to devolved matters and those that confer executive functions on the Scottish Ministers should be considered by the UK Parliament.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 89, Against 35, Abstentions 0).

9. Civil Aviation Bill - UK Legislation: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Ms Margaret Curran) moved S2M-3328—That the Parliament agrees that the provisions in the Civil Aviation Bill, so far as they confer functions on the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Scottish Commission for Public Audit: Nora Radcliffe, on behalf of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body, moved S2M-3389—That the Parliament agrees to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body’s proposal to appoint Margaret Smith to be a member of the Scottish Commission for Public Audit.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

S2M-3373—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Amendment of Specified Authorities) Order 2005 be approved; and

S2M-3374—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Treatment of Office or Body as Specified Authority) Order 2005 be approved.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

12. Membership of Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3395—That the Parliament agrees that Karen Gillon be appointed to the Enterprise and Culture Committee;

S2M-3396—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Charlie Gordon be appointed to the Public Petitions Committee; and

S2M-3397—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Charlie Gordon be appointed to replace Karen Gillon on the European and External Relations Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

13. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 as noted above.

14. South of Scotland Structural Funds: The Parliament debated S2M-3339 in the name of Euan Robson—That the Parliament welcomes the investment in Roxburgh and Berwickshire, the Borders and the South of Scotland from European Union structural funding, such as at Springwood Park in Kelso and at Ettrick Riverside in Selkirk; notes that the current round of such funding ends in March 2006, and believes that the south of Scotland has a clear case for continuing investment to support its economy and communities.

The meeting closed at 5.55 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Reverend Brian Lamb, St Patrick's Church, Shotts, led Time for Reflection.

2. Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Report on Prioritisation of the Non-Executive Bills Unit's Workload: Mr Duncan McNeil, on behalf of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body, moved S2M-3411—That the Parliament endorses the prioritisation criteria set out in paragraphs 7 to 9 of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body's 2nd Report, 2005 (Session 2): *Report on the Prioritisation of the Non-Executive Bills Unit's Workload* (SP Paper 434) and therefore agrees the recommendations in paragraph 19 of the report.

Mr Brian Monteith moved amendment S2M-3411.2 to motion S2M-3411—

Insert at end—

“with the addition, subject to committee approval of the statement of reasons that further consultation is not necessary and once a successful proposal is lodged, of the Local Government Elections (Scotland) Bill, given that it received 26 signatures of support when previously lodged, is time-sensitive and would be a small piece of legislation requiring only three sections and one member of staff to assist with its progress.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 11, Against 80, Abstentions 21).

Chris Ballance moved amendment S2M-3411.1 to motion S2M-3411—

Leave out from “endorses” to end and insert—

“notes the prioritisation criteria set out in paragraphs 7 to 9 of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body's (SPCB) 2nd Report, 2005 (Session 2): *Report on the Prioritisation of the Non-Executive Bills Unit's Workload* (SP Paper 434); notes with concern that one of these criteria proposes to refuse drafting support based on “the potential size, scope and complexity of a Bill”; further notes with concern the implication that Members' Bills must therefore be small, narrow in scope and simple in order to receive drafting support from the Parliament; believes that this is the wrong approach to the question of resources within the Non-Executive Bills Unit and that it undermines the founding principles of the Scottish Parliament, in particular that of power sharing, and calls on the SPCB to review its recommendations in order to ensure that all Bill proposals receive fair access to drafting support.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 21, Against 90, Abstentions 1).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 94, Against 14, Abstentions 4).

3. Equality Bill - UK Legislation: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-3440—That the Parliament agrees the principles contained in the provisions of the Equality 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 those provisions should be considered by the UK Parliament.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 85, Against 7, Abstentions 20).

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3462—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 2 November 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: Freedom of Information
<i>followed by</i>	Ministerial Statement: Influenza Contingency Plan
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 3 November 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning; Justice and Law Officers
2.55 pm	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 3 Proceedings: Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Wednesday 9 November 2005

2.30 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill
followed by Business Motion
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 10 November 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—
Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport;
Finance and Public Services and Communities
2.55 pm Executive Business
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3456—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 3 February 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3457—That the Parliament agrees that the timetable for consideration of the Abolition of NHS Prescription Charges (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 26 January 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3451—That the Parliament agrees that Donald Gorrie be appointed to replace George Lyon as the Scottish Liberal Democrat substitute on the Enterprise and Culture Committee;

S2M-3452—That the Parliament agrees that Euan Robson be appointed to replace Robert Brown as the Scottish Liberal Democrat substitute on the Health Committee; and

S2M-3453—That the Parliament agrees that Mike Pringle be appointed to replace Margaret Smith as the Scottish Liberal Democrat substitute on the Justice 2 Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

8. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3454—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 11) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/455) be approved.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 108, Against 5, Abstentions 0).

9. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3455—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

11. Summer Academy @ Strathclyde: The Parliament debated S2M-3226 in the name of Bill Butler—That the Parliament congratulates Strathclyde University on its innovative Summer Academy, now in its seventh year; recognises the role which it plays in the promotion of the benefits available to young people who wish to continue their studies into further and higher education; notes that the academy now attracts up to 900 school students annually from upwards of 130 secondary schools in west central Scotland, as well as welcoming students from Spain and Sweden; celebrates the scheme as a significant way both to widen access to further and higher education and to promote social inclusion; hopes that it may provide a model for other academic institutions both in Scotland and Europe, and commends the university staff and student mentors for the part they have played in the creation of a Scottish success story as over 6,000 young people have to date graduated from the Summer Academy @ Strathclyde.

The meeting closed at 5.48 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Delivering for Health: The Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr) moved S2M-3468—That the Parliament commends the action plan for NHS Scotland, “Delivering for Health”, and its acceptance of Professor David Kerr’s report, *Building a Health Service Fit for the Future*, as the basis of NHS boards’ future service change proposals; welcomes the report’s emphasis on shifting the balance of care to provide more safe and sustainable local services, including intensive case management in the community for the most vulnerable; applauds the commitment to tackle health inequalities by developing anticipatory care in our most deprived communities and applying the approach to benefit people wherever they live; supports the steps to consolidate improvements in waiting times and to put highly specialist services on a sustainable basis, and commends the Scottish Executive’s policy of pursuing greater quality and productivity.

Shona Robison moved amendment S2M-3468.3 to motion S2M-3468—

Leave out from “supports” to end and insert—

“, and considers that more needs to be done to bring down waiting times for patients, including the introduction of individual patient waiting time guarantees based on their particular needs, the expansion of diagnostic and treatment centres within the NHS and the introduction of an element of activity-based payment for hospitals to encourage greater efficiency and utilisation of spare capacity in the NHS.”

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

Mrs Nanette Milne moved amendment S2M-3468.1 to motion S2M-3468—

Leave out from “of NHS boards” to end and insert—

“to discuss the future structure of the NHS in Scotland; welcomes the report’s emphasis on shifting the balance of care to provide more safe and sustainable local services, including intensive case management in the community for the most vulnerable; welcomes the commitment to tackle health inequalities by developing anticipatory care in our most deprived communities and applying the approach to benefit people wherever they live; however notes that, despite higher funding for the NHS in Scotland, too many patients are still having to wait too long for treatment; believes that a truly patient-centred NHS will only be possible if professionals are given the freedom to prioritise treatment by clinical need rather than by government targets and if purchasing power is put in the hands of patients so that their choices determine the development of the service, and, to that end, calls for the establishment of foundation hospitals within NHS Scotland and for continuing increase in the capacity available to treat NHS patients by extending the use of the independent sector.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 97, Abstentions 0).

Carolyn Leckie moved amendment S2M-3468.2 to motion S2M-3468—

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

“notes the action plan for NHS Scotland, “Delivering for Health”, and its acceptance of Professor David Kerr’s report, *Building a Health Service Fit for the Future*, as the basis of NHS boards’ future service change proposals; is concerned that the over-centralisation of services, which is against the wishes of communities up and down Scotland, may not be prevented by all of the above; is concerned to ensure that any change is democratic in that it actively involves communities and staff in making the key decisions that affect service provision; is extremely concerned about the opportunities for encroachment by the private sector into the NHS which the report represents; notes the Minister for Health and Community Care’s and the Executive’s increased communication and collaboration with the private health care sector; notes the alarming developments in England where the Government is attempting to transfer NHS clinical staff to the private sector; opposes the idea that incentivisation can improve health care and believes that the NHS is fundamentally under threat as a public health care system and requires urgent action to protect and improve it including increased investment in training to provide more NHS doctors, dentists, clinicians, other professionals and valuable support staff to increase the NHS’s own capacity, and believes that Scotland’s stark health inequalities will be intensified by increased involvement of the private sector and that the current funding mechanisms of the NHS are inadequate to address inequalities and require wide-ranging reform.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 96, Abstentions 1).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 70, Against 20, Abstentions 22).

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 Deputy First Minister (Nicol Stephen).

4. Themed Question Time: Questions on Health and Community Care and on Environment and Rural Development were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Homelessness: The Parliament debated the subject of Homelessness.

6. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3465—That the Parliament agrees that Ms Rosemary Byrne be appointed to replace Carolyn Leckie as the Scottish Socialist Party substitute on the Equal Opportunities Committee; and

S2M-3466—That the Parliament agrees that Carolyn Leckie be appointed to replace Ms Rosemary Byrne as the Scottish Socialist Party substitute on the Justice 2 Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

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

8. Looked-after Young People: The Parliament debated S2M-3240 in the name of Mrs Mary Mulligan—That the Parliament congratulates the looked-after young people of West Lothian who presented “Having Your Say” to MSPs; recognises the work of the young people in producing such a thought-provoking presentation and acknowledges the challenges they face, particularly in relation to education, and believes that MSPs should communicate further with the West Lothian young people, and other looked-after young people, to address the educational needs which they identified.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

No. 29 Wednesday 2 November 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

- 1. Time for Reflection:** Reverend Rosemary Frew, Minister of Abbotshall Parish Church, Kirkcaldy, led Time for Reflection.
- 2. Freedom of Information:** The Parliament debated the subject of Freedom of Information.
- 3. Ministerial Statements:** The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) and the Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr) made statements and answered questions on Influenza Contingency Plans.
- 4. Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3502—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 9 November 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 3 Proceedings: Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 10 November 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish National Party Business
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	Executive Debate: Rail
<i>followed by</i>	Motion on the Olympics Bill – UK Legislation
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 16 November 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 17 November 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.

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3501—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 3 March 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

6. A 21st Century Bridge for 21st Century Fife: The Parliament debated S2M-2758 in the name of Scott Barrie—That the Parliament welcomes the decision by the Forth Estuary Transport Authority to support the construction of a further bridge across the Forth at Queensferry; accepts that, even with improvements in public transport, the existing Forth Road Bridge is incapable of coping with the current level of traffic; believes that the limitations on the existing bridges into, and out of, Fife are seriously affecting the economic regeneration of the Kingdom; notes that improvements to rail services to Edinburgh are essential but that these alone will not resolve the transport

difficulties across the Forth, and hopes that the new bridge will be multi-modal, allowing for future light rail developments from Fife.

7. Motion without Notice: Tricia Marwick moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended until 5.59 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 5.59 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Children with Special Needs: Lord James Douglas-Hamilton moved S2M-3490—That the Parliament recognises that many children with additional support needs draw educational and social benefit from being educated in a mainstream setting; acknowledges, however, that in order for such children to flourish, appropriate resources and support must be available; further believes that the educational and social development of some children with multiple and complex needs can best be promoted through the concentrated support provided in special schools; notes with concern that 33 special schools have been closed since 1997; believes that there should be no presumption, statutory or otherwise, in favour of or against mainstreaming and that parents should be able to make a genuine informed choice between mainstream schools and special school provision, so that they can decide on the educational provision that is best suited to the needs of their child, and calls on the Scottish Executive to put in place a moratorium on the closure of special schools until the series of assumptions behind the mainstreaming policy is reviewed.

The Deputy Minister for Education and Young People (Robert Brown) moved amendment S2M-3490.3 to motion S2M-3490—

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

“and that, prior to the enactment of the Standards in Scotland’s Schools etc. Act 2000, many children were denied access to such benefits; acknowledges that meeting the needs of the individual child is of paramount importance and that a range of mainstream, specialist and mixed provision will always be necessary; notes that there has been a net increase of 28 special schools and units since 1997, which demonstrates the continuing commitment of local authorities and the Scottish Executive to specialist provision where appropriate, and believes that, following the Parliament’s recent approval, the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004 will, when it comes into force on 14 November 2005, strengthen the rights of children and their parents to ensure that their additional support needs are met fully, whatever the school setting.”

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 73, Against 22, Abstentions 22).

Mr Adam Ingram moved amendment S2M-3490.2 to motion S2M-3490—

Leave out from “recognises” to end and insert—

“supports the fundamental principle of inclusion that was introduced into our education system with the presumption of mainstreaming; recognises the widespread concerns that the resources made available to implement the policy have been inadequate, and calls, therefore, for a review of the operation of the policy to establish what additional means are required to ensure that every pupil with additional support needs has the opportunity to fulfil his or her potential, either within the mainstream setting or in a special school depending on their individual circumstances.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 29, Against 80, Abstentions 8).

The motion as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 73, Against 17, Abstentions 27).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament recognises that many children with additional support needs draw educational and social benefit from being educated in a mainstream setting; and that, prior to the enactment of the Standards in Scotland's Schools etc. Act 2000, many children were denied access to such benefits; acknowledges that meeting the needs of the individual child is of paramount importance and that a range of mainstream, specialist and mixed provision will always be necessary; notes that there has been a net increase of 28 special schools and units since 1997, which demonstrates the continuing commitment of local authorities and the Scottish Executive to specialist provision where appropriate, and believes that, following the Parliament's recent approval, the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004 will, when it comes into force on 14 November 2005, strengthen the rights of children and their parents to ensure that their additional support needs are met fully, whatever the school setting.

2. The Decline of Scottish Manufacturing: Murdo Fraser moved S2M-3497—That the Parliament notes with concern that the value of the manufacturing sector fell every year between 1997 and 2002, having previously risen year-on-year between 1992 and 1997, and that nearly 100,000 manufacturing jobs have been lost since 1997; further notes with concern the recent findings of the Scottish Council for Development and Industry that exports have fallen below £15 billion in value for the first time in a decade; believes that Scotland can benefit from a solid manufacturing base as part of a diverse and modern economy, and therefore calls on the Scottish Executive to take the action required to increase the competitiveness of the sector by taking measures such as reducing red tape and the size of the public sector, privatising Scottish Water, encouraging greater participation in vocational training at further education colleges and bringing forward the promised business rates cut to April 2006.

The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Allan Wilson) moved amendment S2M-3497.3 to motion S2M-3497—

Leave out from first “with concern” to end and insert—

"the important role that manufacturing plays in creating a diverse and growing Scottish economy and supports Scottish manufacturers adopting innovative and modern approaches to face the challenge of global competition; supports the move to higher value and quality products, and further notes the range of measures brought forward by the Scottish Executive to support manufacturing: investing in transport infrastructure and the skills of our people, creating the right environment by reducing business poundage rates and establishing a Scottish Manufacturing Advisory Service to support and encourage Scottish manufacturing industry to adapt to the global competitive environment."

Jim Mather moved amendment S2M-3497.1 to motion S2M-3497—

Leave out from “having previously” to end and insert—

“considers that this was partly the result of the failure of earlier policies which attracted many foreign direct inward investors who did very little research and development in Scotland and which on their own were neither sufficient nor a substitute for real economic power and the full ability to compete, and therefore calls on the Scottish Executive to recognise this fact and the evidence that makes the status quo untenable and damaging to Scotland.”

After debate, amendment 3497.3 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 67, Against 21, Abstentions 29). As a result amendment 3497.1 was pre-empted.

The motion as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 21, Abstentions 30).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament notes the important role that manufacturing plays in creating a diverse and growing Scottish economy and supports Scottish manufacturers adopting innovative and modern approaches to face the challenge of global competition; supports the move to higher value and quality products, and further notes the range of measures brought forward by the Scottish Executive to support manufacturing: investing in transport infrastructure and the skills of our people, creating the right environment by reducing business poundage rates and establishing a Scottish Manufacturing Advisory Service to support and encourage Scottish manufacturing industry to adapt to the global competitive environment.

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. Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3504—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Management of Offenders 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 (other than a suspension following the first division in the Stage being called) or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 to 3 - 30 minutes

Groups 5 to 7 - 55 minutes

Groups 8 to 11 - 1 hour and 20 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24

Amendment 1 was disagreed to (by division: For 14, Against 96, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn: 25 and 6

Amendments 26, 27 and 2 were not moved.

8. Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-3436—That the Parliament agrees that the Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 96, Against 20, Abstentions 0).

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2 and 8 as noted above.

10. Air Pollution in Glasgow: The Parliament debated S2M-3461 in the name of Patrick Harvie—That the Parliament recognises that Glasgow city centre, now designated as an Air Quality Management Area, has the most serious air pollution problems in Scotland, with a 70% reduction of nitrogen dioxide levels required in some areas if the objectives set by the Scottish Executive are to be met; is concerned at the health implications for those who live and work in the city, such as breathing problems, chronic bronchitis and many premature deaths; accepts that this problem is overwhelmingly caused by increasing road traffic levels; is further concerned that Glasgow City Council's Air Quality Action Plan does not propose measures which will reverse increases in road traffic levels or prevent further increases, and believes that the Executive should work with Glasgow City Council to ensure that Glasgow's citizens and workers can breath air which meets the minimum standards which are the norm in other European cities.

The meeting closed at 5.51 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Father James Doherty, St Joachim's Church, Carmyle, led Time for Reflection.

2. Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3536— That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Environmental Assessment (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 (other than a suspension following the first division in the Stage being called) or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 and 2 – 20 minutes

Groups 3 and 4 – 50 minutes

Groups 5 to 7 – 1 hour and 15 minutes

Groups 8 to 10 – 1 hour and 40 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

3. Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 7 and 8

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

3	(For 30, Against 73, Abstentions 0)
4	(For 30, Against 72, Abstentions 0)
12	(For 28, Against 72, Abstentions 6)
9	(For 34, Against 72, Abstentions 0)
5	(For 34, Against 70, Abstentions 0)
6	(For 34, Against 71, Abstentions 0)
13	(For 33, Against 73, Abstentions 1)
14	(For 34, Against 70, Abstentions 1)
15	(For 32, Against 71, Abstentions 2)
8A	(For 31, Against 73, Abstentions 0)
2	(For 32, Against 69, Abstentions 1)
11	(For 5, Against 94, Abstentions 8)

The following amendments were not moved: 1 and 10.

4. Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved S2M-3435—

That the Parliament agrees that the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 98, Against 12, Abstentions 0).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3545—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Wednesday 16 November 2005

2.00 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Licensing (Scotland) Bill
followed by Business Motion
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 17 November 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Executive Debate: Dentistry
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: Waste Strategy
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 23 November 2005

2.30 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Procedures Committee Debate: 7th Report 2005, The Sewel
 Convention
followed by Procedures Committee Debate: 6th Report 2005, Admissibility and
 Closure of Public Petitions

<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Thursday 24 November 2005	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 3 Proceedings: Housing (Scotland) Bill
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Justice and Law Officers; Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning
2.55 pm	Conclusion of Stage 3 Proceedings: Housing (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

and (b) that the period for members to submit their names for selection for Question Times on 12 January 2006 should end at 12 noon on Wednesday 21 December 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3540—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 16 December 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3541—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 24 February 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Office of the Clerk: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3532—That the Parliament agrees that the Office of the Clerk will be closed on 28, 29 and 30 December 2005.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

S2M-3533—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.12) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/497) be approved;

S2M-3534—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/506) be approved; and

S2M-3535—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/498) be approved.

The motions were agreed to ((DT) by division: For 108, Against 4, Abstentions 0).

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

11. HMV/Waterstones Takeover of Ottakar's Book Stores: The Parliament debated S2M-3325 in the name of Kenny MacAskill—That the Parliament voices its grave concern over, and opposition to, the proposed takeover of Ottakar's book stores by HMV/Waterstones; notes that, if the takeover goes ahead, there will be effectively a monopoly on bookselling in many towns and cities in Scotland; regrets that, despite Edinburgh being the World City of Literature, in recent times it has witnessed the demise of independent Scottish-owned book stores such as Bauermeister and James Thin, meaning that there is now no Scottish-owned book chain in Edinburgh or indeed Scotland; recognises that the internal structure of Ottakar's genuinely reflects the distinctive Scottish book market, with a Scottish range and marketing manager and two Scottish operating managers; contrasts this with the highly centralised structure and purchasing policy of HMV/Waterstones, which has led to a decrease in in-store diversity and availability of Scottish books through Waterstones; thus recognises that this takeover is potentially very damaging for the Scottish publishing industry, the Scottish printing industry and Scottish writers and will have the effect of limiting choice for the Scottish book-buying public and harming our national culture and identity, and considers that the Competition Commission should investigate this takeover on the grounds of market dominance in Scotland.

The meeting closed at 5.50 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Energy Policy: Richard Lochhead moved S2M-3543—That the Parliament considers it unacceptable that in energy-rich Scotland fuel poverty blights our society; notes with concern that, despite Scotland possessing massive energy resources, urgent action is required to avoid an energy gap in the next decade; calls for the development of an energy policy for Scotland that will deliver security of supply, affordability, self-sufficiency and energy efficiency; recognises that the transmission charges for power generators, as permitted by the UK Government, will undermine these objectives; rejects nuclear power in favour of an energy mix that includes making Scotland the world leader in renewable energy and carbon capture and storage technology; believes that such a policy will boost our economy and meet our environmental obligations, and recognises that the Scottish Parliament requires the necessary energy powers and control over our oil and gas resources to deliver the nation’s energy needs in the 21st century.

The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Allan Wilson) moved amendment S2M-3543.4 to motion S2M-3543—

Leave out from “considers” to end and insert—

“supports the Scottish Executive’s continuing commitment to the development of a wide range of renewable energy technologies in Scotland as a key element of a balanced energy supply mix; supports the Executive’s commitment to achieving 40 per cent renewable electricity generation by 2020; supports the Executive’s attempts to eradicate fuel poverty by 2016; looks forward to publication of the revised Scottish Climate Change Programme and the consideration given to the contribution of energy efficiency and renewables to reduce carbon dioxide emissions; recognises the Executive’s commitment, as set out in the Partnership Agreement, not to approve the construction of any new nuclear power stations in Scotland until the issue of waste has been addressed, and supports the Executive’s commitment to continue to work with the UK Government and energy supply industries to ensure that the immediate and future energy supply needs of Scotland are met.”

Alex Johnstone moved amendment S2M-3543.1 to motion S2M-3543—

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

“believes that renewable and nuclear energy are complementary and that, in order to achieve a balanced energy policy, no existing or potential resource should be ignored; urges the Scottish Executive to revisit its renewable energy policy to provide proper planning guidance to local authorities, communities and developers in relation to the siting of wind farms and, until this guidance is implemented, calls on the Executive to declare a moratorium on the determination of locally-opposed wind farm planning applications, and believes that the North Sea oil and gas industry is best served by the current regulatory arrangements.”

Shiona Baird moved amendment S2M-3543.3 to motion S2M-3543—

Leave out from “to deliver the nation’s” to end and insert—

“in order to deliver Scotland’s sustainable energy needs and to tackle climate change which is recognised as one of the greatest threats to our economy, communities and environment; further considers that, if we are serious about tackling climate change, a radical overhaul of our energy use is urgently required, particularly addressing contradictory transport policies which are increasing carbon emissions, and further notes that a truly sustainable energy policy will require the widespread adoption of domestic and community-based renewable micro-generation as well as the development of decentralised energy networks.”

After debate, amendment S2M-3543.4 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 63, Against 48, Abstentions 0). As a result, amendments S2M-3543.1 and S2M-3543.3 were pre-empted.

The motion as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 47, Abstentions 0).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament supports the Scottish Executive’s continuing commitment to the development of a wide range of renewable energy technologies in Scotland as a key element of a balanced energy supply mix; supports the Executive’s commitment to achieving 40 per cent renewable electricity generation by 2020; supports the Executive’s attempts to eradicate fuel poverty by 2016; looks forward to publication of the revised Scottish Climate Change Programme and the consideration given to the contribution of energy efficiency and renewables to reduce carbon dioxide emissions; recognises the Executive’s commitment, as set out in the Partnership Agreement, not to approve the construction of any new nuclear power stations in Scotland until the issue of waste has been addressed, and supports the Executive’s commitment to continue to work with the UK Government and energy supply industries to ensure that the immediate and future energy supply needs of Scotland are met.

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 Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport, and on Finance and Public Services and Communities were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. The Future of Rail in Scotland: The Parliament debated the subject of The Future of Rail in Scotland.

6. London Olympics Bill - UK Legislation: The Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Patricia Ferguson) moved S2M-3506—That the Parliament agrees that those provisions in the London Olympics Bill which relate to the arrangements for staging Olympic football matches at Hampden and the

prevention of ticket touting and which are within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament, including those which confer powers on the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

8. Scottish Food Fortnight: The Parliament debated S2M-3242 in the name of Alex Johnstone—That the Parliament congratulates the organisers of Scottish Food Fortnight which seeks to reconnect the people of Scotland with their countryside through the continuing promotion of high quality local produce to local people; recognises the importance of food production to the rural economy and supports efforts to promote rural enterprise and diversification of small businesses; notes the nutritional value of quality local fresh produce and the environmental benefits of reducing transport costs as promoted by Scottish Food Fortnight, and believes that the Scottish Executive should take measures to increase the use of local, regional and Scottish produce by organisations such as schools and hospitals.

The meeting closed at 5.45 pm.

No. 33 Wednesday 16 November 2005

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Mr Muhamed Tufail Shaheen of the Islamic Centre, Glasgow, led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-3581—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 11.2.4 of the Standing Orders that Decision Time on Wednesday 16 November 2005 shall begin at 5.30 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

3. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3580—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 16 November 2005—

Wednesday 16 November 2005

delete,

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business – Debate on the subject of S2M-3507 Colin Fox: Scotland's Social Housing Provision

and insert,

5.30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business – Debate on the subject of S2M-3507 Colin Fox: Scotland's Social Housing Provision

The motion was agreed to.

4. Licensing (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3583—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Licensing (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, other than a suspension following the first division in the Stage being called, or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 to 4 - 25 minutes

Groups 5 to 8 - 55 minutes

Groups 9 to 11 - 1 hour and 15 minutes

Groups 12 to 15 - 2 hours

Groups 16 to 19 - 2 hours and 25 minutes

Groups 20 to 22 - 2 hours and 40 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

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

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 6, 60, 14, 15, 16, 17A, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24A, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 38, 39, 40, 66, 67, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56 and 57

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

- 12A (For 106, Against 12, Abstentions 0)
- 63 (For 72, Against 46, Abstentions 0)
- 64A (For 97, Against 21, Abstentions 1)
- 64 (For 92, Against 27, Abstentions 0)
- 37 (For 99, Against 1, Abstentions 1)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

- 58 (For 45, Against 73, Abstentions 0)
- 62 (For 43, Against 76, Abstentions 0)
- 83 (For 23, Against 95, Abstentions 1)
- 65 (For 19, Against 98, Abstentions 0)
- 68 (For 13, Against 96, Abstentions 2)

The following amendments were moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn: 61 and 1

The following amendments were not moved: 59, 21A, 2, 3, 4, 5, 69, 70 and 71.

6. Motion without Notice: Ms Margaret Curran moved without notice that, under Rule 9.8.5A, the debate on Groups 5 to 8 be extended by 20 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Motion without Notice: George Lyon moved without notice that, under Rule 9.8.5A, the debate on Groups 5 to 8 be extended by a further 10 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Licensing (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Deputy Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform and Parliamentary Business (George Lyon) moved S2M-3437—That the Parliament agrees that the Licensing (Scotland) Bill be passed.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 71, Against 42, Abstentions 4).

9. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3577—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 23 November 2005

2.30 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Ministerial Statement: Local Government Finance Settlement 2006-2007
followed by Procedures Committee Debate: 7th Report 2005, The Sewel Convention
followed by Procedures Committee Debate: 6th Report 2005, Admissibility and Closure of Public Petitions
followed by Business Motion
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 24 November 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Housing (Scotland) Bill
11.40 am General Question Time
12 noon First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm Themed Question Time—
Justice and Law Officers;
Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning
2.55 pm Conclusion of Stage 3 Proceedings: Housing (Scotland) Bill
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 30 November 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 1 December 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.

10. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3578—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Joint Inspection of Children's Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 7 December 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

11. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3579—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 23 February 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

12. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3569—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.13) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/520) be approved; and

S2M-3570—That the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.14) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/529) be approved.

The motions were agreed to ((DT) by division: For 113, Against 3, Abstentions 0).

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

14. Scotland's Social Housing Provision: The Parliament debated S2M-3507 in the name of Colin Fox—That the Parliament recognises that affordable social housing is in short supply across Scotland in both rural and urban areas and welcomes all efforts to ensure that everyone gets the opportunity to live in a decent home fit for the 21st century; welcomes the decision of Midlothian Council, for example, to build 1,000 new council houses; urges all council tenants in Edinburgh to make their views known in the stock transfer referendum scheduled for later this month, and believes that local tenant-led participation is crucial to the effective democratic management of social housing projects all across Scotland.

The meeting closed at 6.56 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Dentistry: The Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care (Lewis Macdonald) moved S2M-3584—That the Parliament notes the widespread concern about loss of access to NHS dentists; endorses the view that public resources should be focussed on the provision of NHS dentistry available to all and measures proven to improve oral health; welcomes the progress that has been made to date in implementing *Improving Oral Health and Modernising NHS Dental Services in Scotland*; recognises the positive developments in improving oral health, supporting dental education and training, increasing the workforce and supporting primary care dental services, and acknowledges the vital contribution which NHS dental services make to health improvement and patient care.

Shona Robison moved amendment S2M-3584.2 to motion S2M-3584—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“acknowledges the vital contribution which NHS dental services make to health improvement and patient care; believes that to progress implementing *Improving Oral Health and Modernising NHS Dental Services in Scotland* requires the co-operation of the dental profession, and therefore urges the Scottish Executive and the British Dental Association urgently to reach agreement on the definition of “NHS commitment” in order to secure the future of NHS dentistry in Scotland.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 33, Against 85, Abstentions 0).

Mrs Nanette Milne moved amendment S2M-3584.1 to motion S2M-3584—

Leave out from “endorses” to end and insert—

“is further concerned that the Scottish Executive’s initiatives will not entice dentists back to the NHS; recognises the increased support in dental education, employment of overseas dentists and financial packages enacted by the Executive but sees this as a stopgap solution which will do nothing to stem the tide of dentists leaving the NHS in the future; calls for more initiatives for dentists to undertake preventative work, a reduction in bureaucracy and for the Executive to create a more genuine and innovative debate on the future of dentistry, and further calls on the Executive to engage positively with the wider profession to ensure that reforms and initiatives enable every patient to have access to a dentist.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 16, Against 72, Abstentions 29).

Carolyn Leckie moved amendment S2M-3584.3 to motion S2M-3584—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“regrets that inequalities in dental health status and access to dental services persist; believes that NHS dental provision is under serious threat; further believes that radical action in recruitment and widening of access to dentistry training is urgently required, and believes that the dentists whom the state educates and trains should be required to give a minimum commitment to NHS service of five years, within an agreed NHS salaried career structure.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 8, Against 80, Abstentions 30).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 74, Against 15, Abstentions 29).

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. Waste Strategy: The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved S2M-3585—That the Parliament welcomes the progress made in implementing the National Waste Plan; commends the response of the Scottish public to the efforts of local authorities, the community sector, the waste management industry and others which has led to major improvements in Scotland’s recycling and composting rate for municipal waste; acknowledges the increased use of recycled material and the economic opportunities which this creates, and welcomes the Executive’s consultation on the Sustainable Management of Waste from Business and Public Sector Organisations in Scotland and its forthcoming consultation on preventing household waste.

Richard Lochhead moved amendment S2M-3585.1 to motion S2M-3585—

Insert at end—

“notes that the key to a sustainable waste strategy is a greater emphasis on reducing the level of waste produced; recognises that to maintain public support and participation, waste collected for recycling should not go to landfill; notes that municipal waste accounts for only 25% of waste and that the other 75% comes from business and industry and accurate information on the amount of such waste recycled is required; notes concerns over the lack of accessible recycling infrastructure; calls for waste management support for the small business sector, and recognises that, for any waste strategy to be truly effective, Scottish ministers require the necessary political powers to ensure they have all options available to them, including measures relating to manufacturing, design and taxation.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 38, Against 78, Abstentions 0).

John Scott moved amendment S2M-3585.2 to motion S2M-3585—

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

“believes that the Scottish Executive’s policy on waste is failing and that the amount of waste being sent to landfill is increasing, so that local authorities will have to double their recycling performance in one year to meet the 2006 targets, and further believes that after six years the Executive needs to take immediate steps to free up local authorities to enable them to deliver innovative and appropriate solutions to suit their local circumstances.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 74, Abstentions 29).

Shiona Baird moved amendment S2M-3585.3 to motion S2M-3585—

Leave out from “implementing” to end and insert—

“improving Scottish recycling and composting rates but acknowledges that, in spite of these improvements, Scotland still lags behind many of our European partners and that the overall volume of waste being created continues to rise; notes that there is a wide variation in recycling rates across Scottish local authorities and strongly believes that access to comprehensive recycling facilities should not be a postcode lottery; commends the efforts of the public in rising to the challenge of recycling an increasing proportion of their waste in spite of often poor facilities and lack of clear information; expresses concern that many Scottish businesses and community groups engaged in recycling have found their efforts thwarted by inappropriate levels of regulation and heavy financial costs, and believes that a policy of zero waste, bringing environmental, economic and social benefits, is the only truly sustainable way to tackle Scotland’s throwaway culture.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 80, Abstentions 23).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 90, Against 20, Abstentions 8).

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

7. Aboyne Maternity Unit: The Parliament debated S2M-3400 in the name of Mike Rumbles—That the Parliament welcomes the excellent work carried out by staff at Aboyne Hospital’s maternity unit; notes that the number of mothers giving birth at Aboyne is increasing, with the number of deliveries rising from 34 in 2003 to 60 in 2004, and notes that the number of bookings has increased by 71 per cent for the coming year; agrees that the unit is an excellent example of health services being delivered locally as advocated by Professor David Kerr in his report, *Building a Health Service Fit for the Future*; further agrees that expectant mothers should have the option of giving birth locally, at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary or in the home; notes with concern the possibility of the unit being closed, and considers that NHS Grampian should work with local people to ensure that the unit remains open.

The meeting closed at 6.01 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Father Joe Boland, Parish Priest of St Matthew's Kilmarnock, 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 2006-07.

3. Procedures Committee, *The Sewel Convention*: Donald Gorrie, on behalf of the Procedures Committee, moved S2M-3594—That the Parliament notes the Procedures Committee's 7th Report, 2005 (Session 2), *The Sewel Convention* (SP Paper 428); endorses its conclusions and recommendations, and agrees that the changes to Standing Orders set out in Annexe A to the report be made with effect from 30 November 2005, subject to the requirement in new Rule 9B.3.1 applying only in relation to Bills introduced, or amendments agreed to or tabled (as the case may be), after that date.

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

4. Procedures Committee, *Admissibility and Closure of Public Petitions*: Donald Gorrie, on behalf of the Procedures Committee, moved S2M-3595—That the Parliament notes the Procedures Committee's 6th Report, 2005 (Session 2), *Admissibility and Closure of Public Petitions* (SP Paper 420), and agrees that the changes to Standing Orders set out in Annexe A to the report be made with effect from 30 November 2005.

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

5. Motion without Notice: Ms Margaret Curran moved, without notice that, under Rule 11.2.4, Decision Time be taken at 5.15 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3617—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 30 November 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 1 Debate: Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 1 December 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Executive Debate: Ambitious Excellent Schools – One Year On

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: Sea Fisheries
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 7 December 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 8 December 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

Bill Aitken moved amendment S2M-3617.1 to motion S2M-3617—

leave out—

“followed by Executive Debate: Ambitious Excellent Schools – One Year On”

and insert—

“followed by Executive Debate: Protocol between Scottish Executive and UK Government on Treatment of Asylum Seekers”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to (by division: For 50, Against 65, Abstentions 1).

Chris Ballance moved amendment S2M-3617.2 to motion S2M-3617—

After—

“2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions”

Insert—

“followed by Executive Debate: Removal of Asylum Seekers”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to (by division: For 51, Against 66, Abstentions 0).

Colin Fox moved amendment S2M-3617.3 to motion S2M-3617—

After—

“followed by Stage 1 Debate: Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill”

Insert—

“followed by Executive Debate: Removal of Asylum Seekers”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to (by division: For 51, Against 66, Abstentions 0).

After debate, the motion was then agreed to (by division: For 65, Against 51, Abstentions 1).

7. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3610—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Transfer of Rail Functions to the Scottish Ministers Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 93, Against 17, Abstentions 7).

8. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3611—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Civil Partnership (Jurisdiction and Recognition of Judgment) (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-3612—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (No. 2) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/548) be approved.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 108, Against 6, Abstentions 1).

10. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3613—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Regional Transport Partnerships (Establishment, Constitution and Membership) (Scotland) Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3614—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Victim Statements (Prescribed Courts) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3615—That the Parliament agrees that the Enterprise and Culture Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 as noted above.

14. Promoting Energy Saving Using Micro and Small-Scale Renewable Technology: The Parliament debated S2M-3320 in the name of Ms Sarah Boyack—That the Parliament believes that micro and small-scale renewable technology offers huge opportunities to tackle both fuel poverty and the causes of climate change; notes the Scottish Executive's target of achieving a 20% improvement in energy efficiency on 2000 levels by 2010; believes that, to help achieve this target, building standards should be amended to include micro-renewable technology as permitted developments and should require generation capacity to be included in all new developments; particularly notes examples of good practice in Edinburgh Central such as Dunedin Canmore Housing Association's European award-nominated Slateford Green

Development; believes that local authorities should be required to consider the role that micro-generation targets could deliver in achieving sustainable energy and to set appropriate targets accordingly; notes the Energy Savings Trust's proposal of a flat rate reduction on council tax or its replacement for houses which incorporate certified energy efficiency or micro-renewable technology, and believes that fiscal measures such as these should be actively considered.

The meeting closed at 6.17 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Housing (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3620—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Housing (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 (other than a suspension following the first division in the Stage being called) or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 to 6 – 55 minutes
Groups 7 to 10 – 1 hour and 25 minutes
Groups 11 to 15 – 2 hours and 20 minutes
Groups 16 to 18 – 2 hours and 55 minutes
Groups 19 to 21 – 3 hours and 25 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

2. Housing (Scotland) Bill: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 70, 72, 5, 6, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56 and 57

Amendment 30 was agreed to (by division) (For 94, Against 14, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

12 (For 30, Against 72, Abstentions 0)
24 (For 15, Against 93, Abstentions 0)
25 (For 13, Against 94, Abstentions 0)
2 (For 36, Against 65, Abstentions 7)
47 (For 39, Against 63, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn: 80 and 23

The following amendments were not moved: 81, 82, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 and 46

The following amendments were pre-empted: 73, 74, 75 and 76.

The Presiding Officer extended the time-limits under Rule 9.8.4A (a).

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, Transport and Lifelong Learning were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers and by the Scottish Law Officers.

6. Housing (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Parliament resumed consideration of the Bill at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 58, 59, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 67, 69, 7, 8, 9, 10, 48, 3, 86 and 4

Amendment 85 was agreed to (by division): (For: 91, Against 19, Abstentions 2)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

- 1A (For 8, Against 84, Abstentions 20)
- 1B (For 8, Against 83, Abstentions 20)
- 1C (For 15, Against 77, Abstentions 20)
- 1D (For 14, Against 77, Abstentions 20)
- 1 (For 36, Against 76, Abstentions 0)
- 68 (For 14, Against 99, Abstentions 0)
- 87 (For 14, Against 100, Abstentions 1)

Amendment 66 was moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn.

7. Housing (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-3438—That the Parliament agrees that the Housing (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 116, Against 1, Abstentions 0).

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decision on item 7 as noted above.

9. TV Licence and Digital Reception: The Parliament debated S2M-3415 in the name of Roseanna Cunningham—That the Parliament recognises that there are still many areas in Scotland, including parts of Perthshire, where digital television reception is not possible; notes with concern the desire by the BBC to increase the television licence fee by 2.3% above inflation, and believes that, until such time as the BBC's entire broadcast output is available to all licence payers, a differential should be introduced into the licence fee to ensure that people who are not receiving a full service do not pay the same licence fee as those who do.

The meeting closed at 5.46 pm.

No. 37 Wednesday 30 November 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Reverend Alastair H. Symington, Troon Old Parish Church, led Time for Reflection.

2. Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care (Lewis Macdonald) moved S2M-3627—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill.

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

3. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3655—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 7 December 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 1 Debate: Joint Inspection of Children's Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: Violence Against Women
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 8 December 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: First Anniversary of the Criminal Justice Plan
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 Debate: Future Arrangements for Health Services in the Argyll and Clyde Areas
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Wednesday 14 December 2005	
2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Business
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Thursday 15 December 2005	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 3 Proceedings: Family Law (Scotland) Bill
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning; Justice and Law Officers
2.55 pm	Conclusion of Stage 3 Proceedings: Family Law (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

4. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3650—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Civil Partnership Act 2004 (Consequential Amendments) (Scotland) Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

6. Outsourcing of Rail Call Centre Jobs from Vertex Call Centre, Dingwall: The Parliament debated S2M-3473 in the name of Maureen Macmillan—That the Parliament notes with concern the issuing of the 90-day notices to the 200-plus workforce at the Vertex Call Centre in Dingwall; notes that the loss of these jobs will have a major impact on this small Highland town; further notes that these jobs have been put in jeopardy by the decision

of TheTrainline, a company which has Virgin Trains as its major shareholder, to move the contract outwith the European Union, in spite of Virgin Trains being in receipt of substantial amounts of UK taxpayers' money; supports the campaign of the Transport Salaried Staff's Association on behalf of the call centre workers who are a highly skilled and loyal workforce, and believes that the Scottish Executive should consider what influence it can exert to reverse TheTrainline's decision or assist Vertex in finding a new contract.

The meeting closed at 5.43 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Ambitious, Excellent Schools: One Year On: The Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) moved S2M-3658—That the Parliament recognises that young people are one of Scotland’s greatest resources; believes that every child is entitled to the opportunity to fulfil his or her full potential; notes the significant progress made over the last year by the Scottish Executive on the most comprehensive programme of modernisation in Scottish schools for a generation or more; supports the objectives set out in Ambitious, Excellent Schools; welcomes the emphasis on heightened expectations, stronger leadership, greater freedom for teachers and schools, increased choice and opportunity for pupils, better support for learning and more appropriate accountability, and supports the Executive’s ongoing modernisation of Scotland’s schools.

Fiona Hyslop moved amendment S2M-3658.1 to motion S2M-3658—

Leave out from “the significant progress” to end and insert—

“that all schools should be Schools of Ambition; notes the objectives set out in Ambitious, Excellent Schools and, in particular, the cultural emphasis of a number of the successful bids for schools of ambition status but, in doing so, notes the general concern that Scotland’s culture, history and heritage lack national support from the Scottish Executive in the education system; notes with serious concern the proposals by the Executive to make history history in S1 and S2; asserts the importance of children in Scotland having a firm understanding and appreciation of Scottish heritage, culture and history; recognises and supports creative ways to weave this into every subject in the curriculum providing a Scottish perspective; rejects, however, any attempt to remove the stand-alone subject of history from S1 and S2 in schools in Scotland, and regrets any suggestion of this by any Scottish minister, reflecting that such a move would not be even countenanced in other countries who have a pride in promoting their nation’s history.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 36, Against 65, Abstentions 17).

Lord James Douglas-Hamilton moved amendment S2M-3658.2 to motion S2M-3658—

Leave out from “recognises” to end and insert—

“acknowledges the aims of the Scottish Executive’s agenda in Ambitious, Excellent Schools; believes, however, that in order for each child to have the opportunity to reach his or her potential, the Executive must explore all avenues for supporting schools in providing the broadest range of subjects to stimulate the broad range of our children’s aptitude and interest; notes that the Executive’s schools modernisation programme, set out in *The 21st Century School, Building Our Future: Scotland’s School Estate*, is leading to many valued rural primary schools being closed or amalgamated with other schools on new sites in the name of rationalisation; acknowledges that in order to achieve its professed aim of emphasising strong leadership and greater freedom for

teachers, schools must be granted more genuine autonomy, and urges the Executive to consider education reforms of the sort being contemplated at Westminster, so that every school will be able to become a self-governing independent state school to give genuine choice and opportunity to all pupils.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 101, Abstentions 1).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 71, Against 18, Abstentions 30).

2. General Question Time: General 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 Finance and Public Services and Communities and on Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Sea Fisheries: The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved S2M-3657—That the Parliament supports the Scottish Executive in its efforts to negotiate the best possible outcome from the EU Fisheries Council in December 2005, an outcome that delivers sustainable fisheries and a fair deal for Scotland’s fishermen and fishing communities.

Richard Lochhead moved amendment S2M-3657.2 to motion S2M-3657—

Insert at end—

“notes that Scotland has achieved its effort reduction target for cod mortality in the North Sea; believes that Scotland must now be rewarded for this disproportionate sacrifice and that any further cuts in key stocks must be resisted; calls for the level of effort reduction achieved by other national fleets that fish Scottish waters to be made available; urges the Scottish Executive to help our fishing communities cope with rising costs such as for fuel and leasing quota; urges the Minister to include representatives from the fishing industry in his negotiating team to provide advice, and calls for Scotland to lead the UK negotiating team in Europe later this month and beyond, until control over our fishing grounds is returned to the Scottish Parliament.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 26, Against 92, Abstentions 1).

Mr Ted Brocklebank moved amendment S2M-3657.1 to motion S2M-3657—

Leave out from “an outcome” to end and insert—

“urges the Minister for Environment and Rural Development to press for significantly increased quotas for nephrops and monkfish, coupled with no reduction in haddock total allowable catch and the confirmation of the proposed pelagic quotas to secure a sustainable future for our remaining fishermen and processors, as well as for our beleaguered coastal communities, but ultimately believes that the only solution for the

Scottish fishing industry is to leave the discredited Common Fisheries Policy and to regain national and local control of UK waters.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 78, Abstentions 24).

Eleanor Scott moved amendment S2M-3657.3 to motion S2M-3657—

Insert at end—

“and calls on the Scottish Executive beyond the December Council to press for changes to the operation of the Common Fisheries Policy to support healthier and more sustainable seas through a broad range of measures complementary or alternative to total allowable catches, including marine protected areas, regeneration zones and onboard observers, and to consider bycatch quotas to address discards and the innovative use of European Fisheries Funds to support profitability and sustainability.”

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 70, Against 43, Abstentions 5).

The motion as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 74, Against 22, Abstentions 23).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament supports the Scottish Executive in its efforts to negotiate the best possible outcome from the EU Fisheries Council in December 2005, an outcome that delivers sustainable fisheries and a fair deal for Scotland’s fishermen and fishing communities and calls on the Scottish Executive beyond the December Council to press for changes to the operation of the Common Fisheries Policy to support healthier and more sustainable seas through a broad range of measures complementary or alternative to total allowable catches, including marine protected areas, regeneration zones and onboard observers, and to consider bycatch quotas to address discards and the innovative use of European Fisheries Funds to support profitability and sustainability.

6. Rule 9.6.3A: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3665—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 9.6.3A that the Parliament shall consider the general principles of the Joint Inspection of Children’s Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill on the third sitting day after the lead committee report is published.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

8. Council Tax in Very Sheltered Housing: The Parliament debated S2M-3549 in the name of Alex Neil—That the Parliament expresses astonishment and concern at the decision of the valuation boards in Renfrewshire and Lanarkshire to designate single rooms occupied by

residents of very sheltered housing complexes, such as Abbeyfield Homes in Coatbridge, as being fully liable for council tax; furthermore notes that a review of this matter is currently being undertaken by the Scottish Executive; recognises that this injustice has to be rectified as a matter of urgency by redesignating each very sheltered housing complex as being liable for council tax as a whole rather than individual living units, and believes that any council tax payments made as a result of the current designation should be refunded.

The meeting closed at 5.46 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Mr Donald Matheson, Elder of the Free Church of Scotland and Session Clerk of the Falkirk Congregation, led Time for Reflection.

2. Joint Inspection of Children’s Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) moved S2M-3629—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Joint Inspection of Children’s Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill.

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

3. Violence Against Women: The Deputy Minister for Communities (Johann Lamont) moved S2M-3670—That the Parliament believes that the International Day of Action to Eliminate Violence Against Women and the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence are vital in continuing to raise awareness of violence against women; supports the work of the Scottish Executive in seeking to challenge violence against women in its commitment to the new Violence Against Women Fund and the Rape Crisis Specific Fund; welcomes the work of the Scottish Law Commission and Crown Office to review the law on rape and its investigation and prosecution to ensure it is effective, fair and robust, and, in particular, supports all efforts to challenge the attitudes which place the blame on the woman and not the perpetrator, thereby allowing gender-based violence including domestic abuse, rape and sexual assault to continue.

Christine Grahame moved amendment S2M-3670.2 to motion S2M-3670—

Insert at end—

“, and further, in challenging the attitudes which place the blame on the woman and not the perpetrator, condemns the overt sexualised representation of young women prevailing in a range of publications, electronic or paper, driven by commercialism, which presents women as objects rather than individuals.”

Margaret Mitchell moved amendment S2M-3670.1 to motion S2M-3670—

Insert after “Rape Crisis Specific Fund;”—

“recognises the expertise and contribution the voluntary sector can provide in dealing with domestic abuse; acknowledges that usually the best outcome for women and children is one where they can remain in the family home;”

Amendments S2M-3670.2 and S2M-3670.1 were agreed to (DT).

The motion as amended was then agreed to (DT).

Accordingly, the Parliament agreed—That the Parliament believes that the International Day of Action to Eliminate Violence Against Women and the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence are vital in continuing to raise awareness of violence against women; supports the work of the Scottish Executive in seeking to challenge violence against women in its commitment to the new Violence Against Women Fund and the Rape Crisis Specific Fund; recognises the expertise and contribution the voluntary sector can provide in dealing with domestic abuse; acknowledges that usually the best outcome for women and children is one where they can remain in the family home; welcomes the work of the Scottish Law Commission and Crown Office to review the law on rape and its investigation and prosecution to ensure it is effective, fair and robust, and, in particular, supports all efforts to challenge the attitudes which place the blame on the woman and not the perpetrator, thereby allowing gender-based violence including domestic abuse, rape and sexual assault to continue, and further, in challenging the attitudes which place the blame on the woman and not the perpetrator, condemns the overt sexualised representation of young women prevailing in a range of publications, electronic or paper, driven by commercialism, which presents women as objects rather than individuals.

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3692—That the Parliament agrees that—

(a) for the purposes of allowing the meeting of the Parliament on Thursday 15 December 2005 to continue beyond 5.30 pm, the word “Wednesday” in Rules 2.2.4 and 2.2.5(c) be suspended and that the word “Thursday” be substituted for it in each place, and that Rule 2.2.5(a) be suspended;

(b) under Rule 2.2.4 thus varied, the meeting of the Parliament on Thursday 15 December 2005 may continue to 7.00 pm; and

(c) Decision Time on Thursday 15 December 2005 shall begin at 6.30pm.

The motion was agreed to.

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3693—That the Parliament agrees that Rule 5.6.1(c) of Standing Orders be suspended for the purposes of Members’ Business on Thursday on 15 December 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3689—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 14 December 2005

2.30 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Ministerial Statement: Energy Performance of Buildings Directive
followed by Stage 1 Debate: Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill
followed by Business Motion
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 15 December 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Family Law (Scotland) Bill
11.40 am General Question Time
12 noon First Minister's Question Time
followed by Members' Business
2.15 pm Themed Question Time—
Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning;
Justice and Law Officers
2.55 pm Conclusion of Stage 3 Proceedings: Family Law (Scotland) Bill
followed by Motion on Animal Welfare Bill – UK Legislation
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
6.30 pm Decision Time

Wednesday 21 December 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 22 December 2005

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Scottish Socialist Party Business

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	Executive Business
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3679—That the Parliament agrees that the timetable of consideration of the Council Tax Abolition and Service Tax Introduction (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 3 February 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

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

S2M-3675—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.15) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/575) be approved; and

S2M-3676—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.16) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/579) be approved.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

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

10. A76 - The Case for Improvement: The Parliament debated S2M-3520 in the name of Alex Fergusson—That the Parliament notes with regret the two recent deaths on the A76 in separate incidents north of Sanquhar and near Auldgirth; recognises that the upgrading of the A77 to motorway standard from Glasgow to Kilmarnock has brought about a steady increase in the amount of traffic using the A76; notes that there have been three deaths in five years on the same stretch north of Sanquhar which would have been upgraded by now had the Scottish Executive not shelved plans agreed in the route action plan in favour of an easier option south of Sanquhar; recognises the formation of the A76 Action Group, and considers that the Executive should identify priority stretches of the A76 for urgent upgrading on safety grounds before further lives are lost.

The meeting closed at 5.48 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. **First Anniversary of the Criminal Justice Plan:** The Parliament debated the First Anniversary of the Criminal Justice Plan.
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 Health and Community Care and on Environment and Rural Development were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.
5. **Future Arrangements for Health Services in the Argyll and Clyde Area:** The Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr) moved S2M-3684—That the Parliament supports the decisive action announced by the Scottish Executive on 19 May 2005 to dissolve Argyll and Clyde NHS Board and to redraw the boundaries of the neighbouring boards to take over its responsibilities from April 2006; believes that these steps will address the board's structural and financial problems; applauds the continued successful efforts of staff in NHS Argyll and Clyde to maintain comprehensive healthcare services for the people of the area; notes that a full public consultation has been held on the boundary option to be adopted, and supports NHS Highland and NHS Greater Glasgow in their task of returning services to financial balance while maintaining high standards of quality and access.

Shona Robison moved amendment S2M-3684.2 to motion S2M-3684—

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

“regrets the failure of the Scottish Executive to direct effectively the management of Argyll and Clyde NHS Board prior to its reorganisation of December 2002 and the continuing lack of direction and support that resulted in the Executive's decision to dissolve the board two years and five months later in May 2005 and to redraw the boundaries of the neighbouring boards to take over its responsibilities from April 2006; applauds the continued successful efforts of staff in NHS Argyll and Clyde during these difficult times to maintain comprehensive healthcare services for the people of the area; demands clear evidence that input from the public consultation on the boundary option to be adopted has been fully and objectively considered; supports NHS Highland and NHS Greater Glasgow in their task of returning services to financial balance while maintaining high standards of quality and access, and demands that the Executive provides these boards with adequate support and more effective leadership and direction that will assist them to address credibly the structural and financial problems in NHS Argyll and Clyde.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 30, Against 67, Abstentions 19).

Miss Annabel Goldie moved amendment S2M-3684.4 to motion S2M-3684—

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

“applauds the efforts of all clinicians and staff in NHS Argyll and Clyde, at this unsettling time, to maintain the delivery of services; expresses profound concern about the inadequate nature of the consultation process concerning the future of NHS Argyll and Clyde; believes that the consultation paper lacked both a clear analysis of the structural and financial problems facing the existing NHS Board and any robust information about the implications of revised NHS board areas for acute hospital services, which the public needs to make informed choices about the options presented, and therefore calls for the necessary analysis and information to be provided for the public as a matter of urgency and for the consultation to be reopened, in order that informed decisions can be made.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 22, Against 73, Abstentions 21).

Frances Curran moved amendment S2M-3684.3 to motion S2M-3684—

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

“believes that the Scottish Executive’s decision to dissolve Argyll and Clyde NHS Board was hasty and the subsequent consultation document issued concerning the new boundary options for the services provided by NHS Argyll and Clyde was completely inadequate, lacking both financial information and possible impact assessment on service provision from a reallocation of resources to NHS Highland and NHS Greater Glasgow; further believes that no-one responding to the consultation could reach an informed view on these issues; therefore calls for this information to be placed in the public domain before any decision, which could have a major impact on jobs and services within the existing Argyll and Clyde NHS Board area, is taken by the Executive, and applauds the work of the existing staff to continue to provide healthcare services within NHS Argyll and Clyde despite the enormous uncertainty that they feel about their own employment.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 6, Against 73, Abstentions 37).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 74, Against 19, Abstentions 23).

6. Rule 9.5.3A: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3677—That the Parliament agrees, for the purposes of consideration of the Joint Inspection of Children’s Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2, that Rule 9.5.3A be suspended.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Joint Inspection of Children’s Services and Inspection of Social Work Services – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3678—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Joint Inspection of Children’s Services and Inspection of

Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 22 December 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

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

9. Supporters Hope that SFA will Admit John Thomson to Hall of Fame: The Parliament debated S2M-3243 in the name of Helen Eadie—That the Parliament notes that football supporters across Scotland continue to honour the memory of John Thomson, the young Celtic football player who so tragically lost his life in 1931; further notes that the people of Cardenden, in particular, and Scotland, generally, have continued annually since his death to honour and pay tribute to this legendary international football player who continues to serve as a role model for Scotland's children as a person who was so decent, so upstanding and so honoured for setting standards for behaviour in football of all that is best, and hopes that the Scottish Football Association will admit John Thomson to Scotland's Hall of Fame.

The meeting closed at 5.42 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. **Time for Reflection:** Reverend Tony Schmitz, Director of the Ogilvie Institute, Aberdeen, led Time for Reflection.
2. **Ministerial Statement:** The Deputy Minister for Communities (Johann Lamont) made a statement and answered questions on the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive.
3. **Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill – Stage 1:** Bill Butler, on behalf of the Standards and Public Appointments Committee, moved S2M-3633—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill.

Tommy Sheridan moved amendment S2M-3633.1 to motion S2M-3633—

Insert at end—

“but, in doing so, considers that it should cover homes which have been purchased under the Parliament’s accommodation allowance and that amendments should be brought forward at Stage 2 to achieve this purpose.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 8, Against 114, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 115, Against 0, Abstentions 5).

4. **Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3727—That the Parliament agrees that Rule 5.6.1(c) of Standing Orders be suspended for the purposes of Members’ Business on Thursday 22 December 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

5. **Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3730—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 21 December 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Ministerial Statement: Abolition of Priority Need
<i>followed by</i>	Finance Committee Debate: Budget Process 2006-07
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion

<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Thursday 22 December 2005	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish Socialist Party Business: Blood Products
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish Socialist Party Business: "Torture Flights" on Scottish Soil
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2.55 pm	Decision Time
Wednesday 11 January 2006	
2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Business
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Thursday 12 January 2006	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	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
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

The motion was agreed to.

6. Family Law (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3731—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Family Law (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, other than a suspension following the first division in the Stage in the morning and afternoon being called, or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 to 4 – 1 hour and 15 minutes
Groups 5 to 8 – 2 hours and 10 minutes
Groups 9 to 13 – 3 hours and 30 minutes
Groups 14 to 16 – 4 hours and 25 minutes
Groups 17 to 20 – 4 hours and 55 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

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

S2M-3720—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Fundable Bodies (Scotland) Order 2005 be approved;

S2M-3721—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Private Landlord Registration Modification (Scotland) Order 2005 be approved; and

S2M-3722—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Contaminated Land (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

8. Approval of SSIs: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3723—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.17) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/585) be approved.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 114, Against 8, Abstentions 0).

9. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3724—That the Parliament agrees that the Environment and Rural Development Committee be designated as lead committee, and that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as secondary committee, in consideration of the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2006.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

11. Benefits of Dialogue between Steiner and Mainstream Education Sectors: The Parliament debated S2M-3117 in the name of Mike Pringle— That the Parliament commends Steiner Schools in Scotland, including the Edinburgh Rudolf Steiner School, for providing education which focuses on a child’s spiritual, physical and moral well-being as well as academic progress; notes the recent research publication, *Steiner Schools in England*, by Professor Woods of the University of West of England, which compared Steiner Schools with those in the state sector; agrees with him that “there is great potential benefit from mutual dialogue and professional interaction between Steiner and mainstream educators”; welcomes high-level dialogue between the Steiner Fellowship (the UK Steiner accreditation body), local education authorities in England and the UK Government which has led to the prospect of the United Kingdom’s first publicly funded Steiner Academy in Hereford, and considers that the Scottish Executive should engage actively with local authorities in Scotland and encourage the schools to be brought within the publicly funded sector, in a similar fashion to other European countries such as Norway, Sweden, Finland and Denmark.

The meeting closed at 5.55 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Family Law (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 1, 2, 6, 7 and 11

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

- 8 (For 91, Against 34, Abstentions 0)
- 9 (For 93, Against 31, Abstentions 1)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

- 35 (For 13, Against 111, Abstentions 1)
- 10 (For 7, Against 108, Abstentions 1)
- 39 (For 10, Against 95, Abstentions 8)

The following amendments were moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn: 36 and 40.

The following amendments were not moved: 37 and 38.

The Presiding Officer extended the time-limits under Rule 9.8.4A.

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. Excess Winter Deaths in Greater Glasgow: The Parliament debated S2M-3482 in the name of Paul Martin—That the Parliament notes this year's Scottish excess winter death figures, which show that the NHS Greater Glasgow area has the largest number of excess winter deaths in Scotland; expresses great concern that the number of excess winter deaths in Glasgow among older people has increased from 410 to 460; supports the Scottish Executive's fuel poverty programmes; believes that the Executive should continue to commit to the programmes and its pledge to eradicate fuel poverty by 2017, and supports the work of the Scottish Gas Help the Aged Partnership and its call to the Executive for a holistic approach to address the problem of excess winter deaths, including looking at nutrition, regular exercise, flu jab uptake, appropriate clothing, maximising incomes, proper insulation and heating systems for homes, extending the gas main where it is economically viable and providing greater face-to-face support and practical help for older people.

5. Themed Question Time: Questions on Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning, and on Justice and Law Officers were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers and by the Scottish Law Officers.

6. Family Law (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Parliament resumed consideration of the Bill at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 12, 13, 14, 18, 50, 51, 25, 26, 5, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

- 15 (For 78, Against 39, Abstentions 0)
- 4 (For 92, Against 10, Abstentions 11)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

- 41 (For 21, Against 96, Abstentions 2)
- 42 (For 45, Against 74, Abstentions 0)
- 44 (For 28, Against 87, Abstentions 0)
- 3 (For 22, Against 91, Abstentions 2)
- 49 (For 34, Against 85, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn: 45, 16, 22 and 47.

The following amendments were not moved: 17, 18A, 46, 23, 24, 48, 52, 53, 54, 27 and 28.

The Presiding Officer extended the time-limits under Rule 9.8.4A.

7. Motion without Notice: Margaret Curran moved without notice that, under Rule 9.8.5A, the debate on Group 20 be extended by 10 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Family Law (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-3628—That the Parliament agrees that the Family Law (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 104, Against 12, Abstentions 6).

9. Animal Welfare Bill – UK Legislation: The Deputy Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Rhona Brankin) moved S2M-3741—That the Parliament agrees the principle of reciprocal recognition of court orders in relation to animal welfare and agrees that the relevant provisions of the Animal Welfare Bill, introduced into the House of Commons on 13 October

2005, 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 94, Against 1, Abstentions 26).

10. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3725—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Environment and Rural Development Committee by 13 January 2006 on the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

11. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3726—That the Parliament agrees that the timetable for consideration of the Environmental Levy on Plastic Bags (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 27 October 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

12. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3729—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 20 January 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

13. Establishment of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3738—That the Parliament agrees to establish a committee of the Parliament as follows:

Name of Committee: Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill Committee;

Remit: To consider the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill at Stage 2;

Duration: Until the Bill is passed, or falls or is otherwise no longer in progress;

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

Membership: Susan Deacon and Margaret Jamieson (Labour), Mrs Margaret Ewing (SNP), Mr Jamie McGrigor (Conservative), Mike Rumbles (Liberal Democrat).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

14. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 8, 9 and 13 as noted above.

The meeting closed at 6.34 pm.

No. 43 Wednesday 21 December 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Rt. Rev David Chillingworth, Bishop of St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane, led Time for Reflection.

2. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) made a statement and answered questions on Abolition of Priority Need.

3. Finance Committee, Stage 2 of the 2006-07 Budget Process: Des McNulty, on behalf of the Finance Committee, moved S2M-3746—That the Parliament notes the 5th Report 2005 (Session 2) of the Finance Committee on Stage 2 of the 2006-07 Budget Process (SP Paper 471) and refers the report and its recommendations to the Scottish Executive for consideration.

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

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3765—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 11 January 2006

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: Sustainable Development Strategy
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 12 January 2006

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish National Party 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 Debate: Workforce Development
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 18 January 2006

2.30 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Procedures Committee Debate: Report into the Private Bills Procedure
followed by Business Motion
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 19 January 2006

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—
 Justice and Law Officers;
 Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning

2.55 pm Executive Business
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

5. Rule 2.3.1: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3754—That the Parliament agrees the following dates in terms of Rule 2.3.1: 7 – 22 October 2006 (inclusive) and 23 December 2006 – 7 January 2007 (inclusive).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Office of the Clerk: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3755—That the Parliament agrees that, between 4 September 2006 and 3 January 2007, the Office of the Clerk will be open on all days except: Saturdays and Sundays, 1 December 2006, 22 December 2006 (pm), 25 and 26 December 2006 and 1 and 2 January 2007.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3756—That the Parliament agrees that the Communities Committee be designated as lead committee, and that the Local Government and Transport Committee be designated as secondary committee, in consideration of the Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1;

S2M-3757—That the Parliament agrees that the Local Government and Transport Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1; and

S2M-3758—That the Parliament agrees that the Health Committee be designated as lead committee, and that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as secondary committee, in consideration of the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2006.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

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

9. Earthquake in Kashmir: The Parliament debated S2M-3407 in the name of Des McNulty—That the Parliament expresses its deepest sympathy for the victims of the earthquake affecting Kashmir and Pakistan's North-West Frontier Province which took place on Saturday 8 October 2005; recognises that many families in the west of Scotland and across Scotland as a whole will have lost relatives and friends as a result of the tragedy or are awaiting information about those who are missing; congratulates Islamic Relief and other charitable organisations on their swift response, and welcomes the steps taken by the UK Government to provide urgent assistance to the affected areas.

The meeting closed at 5.47 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Blood Products: Carolyn Leckie moved S2M-3767—That the Parliament recognises the dogged efforts of patients, relatives, campaigners and all those who have highlighted the issues around the contamination of blood products, including those with viruses such as Hepatitis C and HIV, in the past and the serious consequences for the recipients of these products and their families; acknowledges the previous and continuing work of the Parliament’s Health Committee and MSPs; accepts that campaigners’ demands for a full, independent, public inquiry remain outstanding; believes that there is now more information in the public domain and that the debate has moved on, and agrees that there should now be a full, independent public inquiry.

The Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care (Lewis Macdonald) moved amendment S2M-3767.2 to motion S2M-3767—

Leave out from “recognises” to end and insert—

“expresses its profound sympathy for those patients who have been infected with Hepatitis C through NHS treatment with blood or blood products; welcomes the payments which are being made by the Scottish Executive to help with the suffering and hardship involved; notes that there have been significant improvements in knowledge and in the safety of blood products since these events took place; believes that there is now more information in the public domain and that the debate has moved on, and believes that the focus should now be on practical action which would benefit the future delivery of services or patient care.”

Mrs Nanette Milne moved amendment S2M-3767.1 to motion S2M-3767—

Leave out from “accepts” to end and insert—

“extends its sympathy to those infected with Hepatitis C through contaminated blood products; welcomes the move to place information in the public domain, and believes at this moment in time that the best way to get clear decisive answers would be for those campaigners to bring forward a test case to the courts.”

After debate, amendment S2M-3767.2 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 76, Against 16, Abstentions 21). As a result, S2M-3767.1 was pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 77, Against 14, Abstentions 22).

Accordingly, the Parliament—That the Parliament expresses its profound sympathy for those patients who have been infected with Hepatitis C through NHS treatment with blood or blood products; welcomes the payments which are being made by the Scottish Executive to help with the suffering and hardship involved; notes that there have been significant improvements in knowledge and in the safety of blood products since these events took place;

believes that there is now more information in the public domain and that the debate has moved on, and believes that the focus should now be on practical action which would benefit the future delivery of services or patient care.

2. “Torture Flights” on Scottish Soil: Frances Curran moved S2M-3766—That the Parliament considers, in light of recent decisions by the governments of Sweden, Spain and Iceland, by the European Union and now by Michael Todd, Chief Constable of Greater Manchester Police in England, to undertake inquiries into rendition flights, that the Scottish Executive should follow these examples; believes that there are sufficient grounds to justify an independent inquiry into the possible use of Scottish airports by CIA rendition flights, and further believes that the Lord Advocate should instruct the police to investigate without delay whether there has been a breach of Scots Law.

Scott Barrie moved amendment S2M-3766.4 to motion S2M-3766—

Leave out from “considers” to end, and insert—

“notes the allegations that have been made about the possible use of Scottish airports by CIA rendition flights; shares the public concern; condemns the use of torture wherever and whenever it may occur; notes that torture constitutes a crime under Scots and international law; reasserts its commitment to Article 4 of the UN Convention Against Torture and notes that this refers not only to acts of torture but to “an attempt to commit torture and to an act by any person which constitutes complicity or participation in torture”; welcomes the assurances from the Lord Advocate that, if offences are committed in the jurisdiction of Scotland and he is made aware of supporting evidence, these allegations will be investigated; further welcomes the commitment of the First Minister to co-operate with any reasonable request from the Council of Europe or any other international organisation; calls on the Scottish Executive to co-operate with any inquiry into rendition flights in British airspace and calls for a commitment that on any issue for which it has responsibility it will take action if presented with credible and reliable information; reasserts that the investigation of crime is a matter for the police and that decisions on whether to investigate in particular cases are for the police to take without political interference, and calls for anyone having evidence of torture or any other crime taking place in Scotland to take that evidence to the police.”

Phil Gallie moved amendment S2M-3766.1 to motion S2M-3766—

Leave out from “considers” to end and insert—

“supports the UN Convention Against Torture, of which the United Kingdom is a signatory; believes that there is never any justification for torture; welcomes the judgement by the Law Lords that evidence obtained under torture was inadmissible in court and was also inadmissible in a Special Immigration Appeals Commission case; notes the allegations in the press that CIA rendition flights have refuelled in Scotland; trusts that the Foreign Secretary’s assurances that such flights have not landed in Scotland are true, and calls for the Scottish Executive to detail what communications it has had with the Foreign Office over this matter.”

Mr Jim Wallace moved amendment S2M-3766.2 to motion S2M-3766—

Leave out from “considers” to end and insert—

“deplores all forms of torture; notes that torture, an attempt to commit torture or conspiracy to commit torture are crimes punishable under Scots Law at common law and through the UN Convention against Torture as incorporated into UK law by the Criminal Justice Act 1988; welcomes the inquiry by the Secretary General of the Council of Europe to verify if the European Convention on Human Rights has been contravened and that member states have complied with their international obligations; further welcomes the First Minister’s commitment that the Scottish Executive would respond to the inquiry; in light of the public admissions by the US Government of the existence of rendition flights and the interim findings of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe on this issue, calls on the UK Government to hold an immediate and independent inquiry into rendition flights using British airspace and airports and to make clear to the US Government that extraordinary rendition flights are unacceptable in British airspace and in Britain, and further calls on the UK Government to work with the international community to review the adequacy of the Chicago Convention, in light of international security and human rights concerns.”

After debate, amendment S2M-3766.4 was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 47, Against 53, Abstentions 12).

After debate, the amendment S2M-3766.1 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 59, Against 33, Abstentions 21). As a result, S2M-3766.2 was pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 59, Against 26, Abstentions 28).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament supports the UN Convention Against Torture, of which the United Kingdom is a signatory; believes that there is never any justification for torture; welcomes the judgement by the Law Lords that evidence obtained under torture was inadmissible in court and was also inadmissible in a Special Immigration Appeals Commission case; notes the allegations in the press that CIA rendition flights have refuelled in Scotland; trusts that the Foreign Secretary’s assurances that such flights have not landed in Scotland are true, and calls for the Scottish Executive to detail what communications it has had with the Foreign Office over this matter.

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. Gas Work Notification Scheme: The Parliament debated S2M-3698 in the name of Mr Andrew Welsh—That the Parliament notes with concern the introduction by CORGI of a mandatory notification scheme for all new gas installations in April of this year; further notes that, whilst supporting all measures which genuinely improve gas safety standards, the Gas Work Notification Scheme does not serve to improve standards or to tackle cowboy traders, that it was conceived around the requirements of the Home Information Pack which will apply only in England and Wales and that it places a wholly unnecessary time and cost burden on Scottish registered gas

installers, which in turn places an additional cost burden on their major customers, such as Scottish housing associations and local authorities, with no benefit to the Scottish customer; is concerned at the implications of the scheme for gas installers and consumers in Angus; is further concerned that the scheme was introduced by CORGI without due consultation with Scottish member organisations, and considers that the Scottish Executive should ensure that this scheme is withdrawn from Scotland.

6. Themed Question Time: Questions on Education, Tourism, Culture and Sport, and on Finance and Communities were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3759—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Health Committee by 13 January 2006 on the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1 and 2 as noted above.

The meeting closed at 3.06 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Reverend Peter Macdonald, Minister of St George's West Church, Edinburgh, led Time for Reflection.

2. Sustainable Development Strategy: The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved S2M-3792—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Executive's new sustainable development strategy, "Choosing our future"; supports the strategy's vision of a vibrant resource-efficient economy with Scotland as a leader in green enterprise; welcomes its emphasis on reducing Scotland's global environmental impact, protecting its natural heritage and resources for the long term, improving the quality of life of individuals and communities and securing environmental justice for those who suffer the worst local environments, and calls on all sections of society in Scotland to play their part in delivering these objectives.

Rob Gibson moved amendment S2M-3792.1 to motion S2M-3792—

Insert at end—

"and further calls on the Executive to set targets for individuals, businesses, local authorities and communities to play their part in reducing Scotland's global footprint while working to gain full powers for this Parliament over the key areas of policy that are needed to guarantee a sustainable Scotland."

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

Alex Johnstone moved amendment S2M-3792.2 to motion S2M-3792—

Insert at end—

"but considers that vision and aspiration, while commendable, will not of themselves deliver for future generations and therefore the Executive must begin to deliver greater tangible evidence of its own commitment."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 30, Against 65, Abstentions 20).

Mr Mark Ruskell moved amendment S2M-3792.3 to motion S2M-3792—

Insert at end—

"and moreover makes it clear that leadership and consistent action from the top of government is of critical importance to enable lasting change; considers the progress so far by the Executive since 1999 to be richer in rhetoric than reality but, nevertheless, a full 13 years since the Rio Earth Summit in 1992, welcomes this first step towards a meaningful strategy; considers that sustainable development should be the top priority of government, and recognises the critical role of this Parliament and its structures in engaging fully with the strategy and holding the Executive to account on its delivery."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 16, Against 78, Abstentions 21).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 110, Against 0, Abstentions 5).

3. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3798—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Thursday 12 January 2006—

Thursday 12 January 2006

after,

12 noon First Minister's Question Time

insert,

2.00 pm Election to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body

The motion was agreed to.

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3799—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 18 January 2006

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Ministerial Statement: The Cultural Commission

followed by Procedures Committee Debate: Report on the Private Bill Committee assessors

followed by Business Motion

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 19 January 2006

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Executive Debate: Economic Benefits of the Air Routes Development Fund

11.40 am General Question Time

12 noon First Minister's Question Time

2.15 pm Themed Question Time—

Justice and Law Officers;
Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning

2.55 pm Stage 3 Proceedings: Joint Inspection of Children's Services and
Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill

followed by Health Bill Legislative Consent Motion – UK Legislation

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 25 January 2006

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 26 January 2006

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.

5. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3796—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 18) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/626) be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3797—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Modifications of Schedule 5) Order 2006 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

8. Closure of Six Post Offices: The Parliament debated S2M-3735 in the name of Dr Elaine Murray—That the Parliament expresses its concern over Post Office Ltd's announcement that it will be closing six town centre post offices, including the main post office in Dumfries, replacing them with franchises in SPAR shops; notes that SPAR itself is a franchise; is concerned over the implications for staff numbers and terms and conditions of employment; believes that in cases such as Dumfries the new location is less convenient for customers; further believes that the proposed arrangements may not offer a sustainable and long-term future for these post offices; expresses concern that the announcement was made less than two weeks before Christmas and considers that Post Office Ltd should extend the consultation period beyond the current seven weeks to ensure that all customers get the opportunity to express their views, and believes that no irreversible decisions should be made without paying full consideration and attention to the views of customers and staff.

The meeting closed at 6.07 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Local Government Finance: Mr John Swinney moved S2M-3795— That the Parliament notes the widespread concern over the inadequacy of the local government finance settlement for 2006-07 and 2007-08; notes the recommendations of the Finance Committee that the Scottish Executive should reconsider the settlement; welcomes the moves to make government more efficient but calls for this process to be applied equitably across national and local government and conducted with greater rigour; calls on the Executive to restore the £58.5 million in efficiency savings to local government baselines and to make available to local authorities £34.7 million from the pre-Budget report consequential on condition that this is used to deliver a real-terms freeze in council tax, and recognises that these are short-term improvements to the unfair council tax that will only be resolved when the system is abolished and replaced by a local income tax based on the ability to pay.

The Deputy Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform and Parliamentary Business (George Lyon) moved amendment S2M-3795.4 to motion S2M-3795—

Leave out from “widespread concern” to end and insert—

“record levels of finance provided to local government by the Scottish Executive which mean that by 2007-08 core funding will have increased by over £3 billion or 55% compared with 1999-2000; welcomes the report from the Local Government Improvement Service which confirms that councils are on course to achieve at least £122 million in efficiency savings in 2005-06; notes that the Executive has given a commitment to consider some further additional resources for 2007-08 subject to local government delivering on their efficiency targets and that the Executive is engaged in an ongoing discussion with local government about the financial pressures councils are facing and the steps local government can take to maintain downward pressure on council tax, and looks forward to the report of the independent committee on local government taxation, which is due later this year.”

David Davidson moved amendment S2M-3795.3 to motion S2M-3795—

Leave out from “, and recognises” to end and insert—

“as many in Scotland are suffering as a result of the 55% rise in council tax since the Labour/Liberal Democrat coalition came to power; believes that a proposed new system of local income tax would be over-complicated, expensive to collect, would remove accountability and transparency from local government and adversely penalise young working households, and notes that the real problem in Scotland is the high level of council taxes charged, not the tax itself.”

Mark Ballard moved amendment S2M-3795.1 to motion S2M-3795—

Leave out from “local income tax” to end and insert—

“system of land value taxation that recognises that ability to pay is not determined solely by income.”

Tommy Sheridan moved amendment S2M-3795.5 to motion S2M-3795—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“believes that local authorities have taken giant strides to improve efficiency but are hampered by inefficient and uneconomic public private partnership deals and the use of expensive consultants which, coupled with the inadequacy of central government funding, makes the protection and expansion of vital local government jobs and services increasingly difficult to achieve; calls on the Executive to restore the £58.5 million in efficiency savings to local government baselines and to make available to local authorities £34.7 million from the pre-Budget report consequential on condition that this is used to deliver a real-terms freeze in council tax; recognises that these are short-term improvements to the unfair council tax that will only be resolved when the system is abolished and replaced by a local income tax based on the ability to pay, and believes the Executive must fully fund equal pay restructuring across Scotland’s local authorities to deliver economic justice to the hundreds of thousands of women workers who have been illegally underpaid for years.”

After debate, amendment S2M-3795.4 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 65, Against 56, Abstentions 0). As a result, amendments S2M-3795.3, S2M-3795.1 and S2M-3795.5 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 65, Against 56, Abstentions 0).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament notes the record levels of finance provided to local government by the Scottish Executive which mean that by 2007-08 core funding will have increased by over £3 billion or 55% compared with 1999-2000; welcomes the report from the Local Government Improvement Service which confirms that councils are on course to achieve at least £122 million in efficiency savings in 2005-06; notes that the Executive has given a commitment to consider some further additional resources for 2007-08 subject to local government delivering on their efficiency targets and that the Executive is engaged in an ongoing discussion with local government about the financial pressures councils are facing and the steps local government can take to maintain downward pressure on council tax, and looks forward to the report of the independent committee on local government taxation, which is due later this year.

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. Election of Member to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body: The following members were nominated as candidates for appointment to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body—

Mr Kenny MacAskill
Margo MacDonald

The result was—

Mr Kenny MacAskill	94
Margo MacDonald	20
Abstentions	1

Mr Kenny MacAskill was duly elected as a member of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body.

5. Skills and Training for a Modern Scotland: The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Allan Wilson) moved S2M-3806—That the Parliament agrees that developing the current and future workforce of Scotland is key to ending poverty and sustaining economic growth; recognises the very good progress that is being made in reducing unemployment through investment in skills and training, and welcomes the Scottish Executive’s intention to work with the United Kingdom Government, employers and employer organisations, universities, colleges, training organisations and other public agencies to drive forward opportunities for workforce development to strengthen the economy and improve the employability and skills of individuals across Scotland, in particular those furthest from employment and those in lower paid, low skilled jobs.

Jim Mather moved amendment S2M-3806.1 to motion S2M-3806—

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

“but regrets the continuing delay in the publication of the Scottish Executive’s employability strategy and the lack of any new measures to tackle the unacceptably high number of 16 to 19-year-olds who are neither in employment, education or training in Scotland and recognises that the Executive’s worthy objectives self-evidently can only be met comprehensively when Scotland couples relevant, valued and constantly improving training with the full range of economic powers that can credibly and tangibly improve competitiveness and create the levels of employment opportunity and sustainable income improvement for all which, in turn, will retain and attract talented people to Scotland.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 34, Against 81, Abstentions 6).

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-3806.2 to motion S2M-3806—

Leave out from “recognises” to end and insert—

“notes the outstanding success of modern apprenticeships in helping thousands of young people into work and training since 1994; welcomes the devolution of workforce services currently provided by the New Futures Fund from Scottish Enterprise to local community partnerships; notes with concern that Scotland has more young people who are not in education, employment or training (NEET) than any other OECD country or UK region; is disappointed at the delay in the Scottish Executive publishing its long-

awaited Employability Framework; notes the findings of the NEET working group set up by the Executive that young people who are NEET are generally characterised by low educational attainment, truancy and/or disadvantaged backgrounds, and calls on the Executive to extend the vocational opportunities available at further education colleges from the age of 14 and to expand the role of community-based voluntary programmes which play a crucial role in combating deprivation.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 47, Against 72, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 75, Against 22, Abstentions 23).

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

7. The Tayside Project: The Parliament debated S2M-3558 in the name of Shona Robison—That the Parliament commends Marie Curie Cancer Care for joining forces with NHS Tayside, Dundee City Council, Perth and Kinross and Angus Councils and the Scottish Ambulance Service to deliver the first Scottish project of the Delivering Choice Programme in Tayside, which aims to look at the problems in palliative care provision in the region before developing a strategy to deliver the best possible palliative care and end-of-life care for patients in the area, allowing them to be cared for in the place of their choice; notes that Tayside has specific problems in this area, with 75% of the admissions to the cancer centre in Ninewells Hospital being for palliative care, and that over the three-year project issues like this will be tackled, and believes that the findings of the project should be utilised in other areas of Scotland to inform palliative care policy so that everyone in Scotland can benefit from this ground-breaking project.

The meeting closed at 5.59 pm.

No. 47 Wednesday 18 January 2006

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Mrs Carrie Varjavandi, representing the Baha'i Council for Scotland, led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3832—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 18 and Thursday 19 January 2006 as follows—

Wednesday 18 January 2006

after,

2.30 pm Time for Reflection – Mrs Carrie Varjavandi, representing the Baha'i Council for Scotland

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

delete,

followed by Ministerial Statement: The Cultural Commission

and insert,

followed by Executive Debate: International Strategy

Thursday 19 January 2006

after,

2.15 pm Themed Question Time

delete,

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.55 pm Stage 3 Proceedings: Joint Inspection of Children's Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill

and insert,

2.55 pm Ministerial Statement: The Cultural Commission

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Joint Inspection of Children's Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill

The motion was agreed to.

3. International Strategy: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-3826—That the Parliament welcomes

the Scottish Executive's ambitions and activities to build international relationships that benefit Scotland and Scotland's interests throughout the world; supports its promotion of Scotland as an ideal place to live, work, study and do business; commends the Executive's encouragement and support for Scottish contributions to international development and other challenges facing the international community; acknowledges the importance of working with the UK Government to achieve these aims, and underlines the importance of responding to changing international circumstances to ensure the greatest possible gains for Scotland in all sectors.

Mr John Swinney moved amendment S2M-3826.1 to motion S2M-3826—

Leave out from “acknowledges” to end and insert—

“but regrets that on major issues of international policy, such as the war in Iraq or CIA rendition flights, the Executive is unable effectively to represent the views of the people of Scotland, and recognises that this will be possible only when Scotland plays a constructive role as an independent member of the international community.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 35, Against 79, Abstentions 0).

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-3826.2 to motion S2M-3826—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“notes the Scottish Executive's efforts to promote Scotland's international image and to encourage Scottish contributions to international development; welcomes the work of Scottish Development International in building on the success of Locate in Scotland; is disappointed to note that no minister has participated in any Scottish Council for Development and Industry trade mission since 1999; believes that a more competitive economy and better public services are crucial to making Scotland a more attractive place in which to live and invest, and acknowledges that the Executive must work closely with Her Majesty's Government in order to improve the image of Scotland overseas.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 79, Abstentions 21).

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

4. Private Bill Committee Assessors: Donald Gorrie, on behalf of the Procedures Committee, moved S2M-3794—That the Parliament notes the Procedures Committee's 1st Report, 2006 (Session 2), *Private Bill Committee assessors* (SP Paper 481), and agrees that the changes to Standing Orders set out in Annexe A to the report be made with effect from 19 January 2006.

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

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3833—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 25 January 2006

2.30 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Stage 1 Debate: Abolition of NHS Prescription Charges (Scotland) Bill
followed by Business Motion
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 26 January 2006

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party 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 Stage 1 Debate: Budget (Scotland) (No.3) Bill
followed by Ministerial Statement: Forestry
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 1 February 2006

2.15 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body 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 2 February 2006

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	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
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

6. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3828—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 19 May 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3829—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 28 April 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3827—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004 (Modification of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978) Order 2006 be approved.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 108, Against 1, Abstentions 5).

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 3, 4, and 8 as noted above.

10. Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods: The Parliament debated S2M-3744 in the name of Christine May—That the Parliament recognises the many opportunities to improve community safety provided under the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 and other initiatives, such as Safer Routes to School; congratulates community safety partnerships, such as that in Fife, for the innovative ways in which they have developed local

schemes; notes that initiatives, such as Fife's Time2Act Safer Neighbourhoods campaign, cover a wide range of community safety matters such as safety of older people, women's personal safety, reduction in domestic violence, drink driving and drunk pedestrians, safety of children and young people, safer town centres and neighbourhoods and support for victims of crime and anti-social behaviour; acknowledges the work done by public sector staff, uniformed services and many members of local communities to develop and support such schemes; believes that there is further scope for developments in this area, and considers that all concerned should continue to work together to make Scotland's communities safer.

The meeting closed at 5.52 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Air Route Development Fund: The Minister for Transport and Telecommunications (Tavish Scott) moved S2M-3837—That the Parliament endorses the success of the Air Route Development Fund (ARDF) in bringing direct Scottish air links to Europe, North America and within the UK; notes the economic advantages that have flowed to the Scottish economy and the reduced need for short haul flights through hub airports; supports the development of a European regime that tackles the environmental impact of aviation emissions; further supports work to improve rail journey times between Scotland and London in order to reduce the reliance on domestic short haul flights, and looks to the further use of the ARDF in developing Scotland's international connections.

Fergus Ewing moved amendment S2M-3837.2 to motion S2M-3837—

Insert at end—

“further acknowledges the importance of aviation in the prime aim of growing the Scottish economy; urges the Executive to seek to remove barriers to further success in aviation policy; calls on the Executive to audit and review the ARDF and its efficacy thus far, with a view to refining and widening its terms, and to consider, for example, its extension to air freight traffic and to less frequent and seasonal services, and urges the Executive to work with Scotland's airports and carriers to deliver a competitive economic environment, which should include the provision of appropriate and sufficient infrastructure for our airports.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 35, Against 74, Abstentions 1).

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-3837.1 to motion S2M-3837—

Insert at end—

“notes, however, that the ARDF represents a comparatively modest contribution to the massive expansion of air services over recent decades, which is chiefly due to the substantial deregulation of the industry achieved by the liberalising policies of the last Conservative administration, such as the privatisation of the British Airports Authority (BAA), the privatisation of British Airways (BA), the Airports Act 1986, the Civil Aviation Act 1980 and the pursuit of a European single market in aviation.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 14, Against 94, Abstentions 2).

Mark Ruskell moved amendment S2M-3837.3 to motion S2M-3837—

Leave out from “endorses” to end and insert—

“questions the success of the Air Route Development Fund (ARDF) in bringing sustainable development benefits to Scotland; further questions whether economic

advantages have flowed to the Scottish economy from the ARDF; supports the development of an international regime that reduces overall aviation emissions; notes that promoting expansion of aviation undermines existing emissions targets and that projected growth in aviation would necessitate cessation of economic activity in other sectors in order to achieve targets; notes that the net cost of aviation to the Scottish economy was £1.4 billion in 2004 and that the United Kingdom accounts for 87% of tourist visits to Scotland; supports work to improve rail journey times between Scotland and London in order to reduce the reliance on domestic short-haul flights but notes the lack of progress in this respect, and condemns the further use of public funds for the ARDF.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 7, Against 97, Abstentions 7).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 99, Against 12, Abstentions 1).

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 Justice and Law Officers and on Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers and by the Scottish Law Officers.

5. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Patricia Ferguson) made a statement and answered questions on the Cultural Commission.

6. Joint Inspection of Children’s Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Bill Aitken, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3836—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Joint Inspection of Children’s Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limit indicated (that 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, other than a suspension following the first division in the Stage being called, or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 and 2 – 25 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

7. Joint Inspection of Children’s Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

Amendment 1 was disagreed to (by division) (For 40, Against 65, Abstentions 1)

Amendment 2 was moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn.

8. Joint Inspection of Children's Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Deputy Minister for Education and Young People (Robert Brown) moved S2M-3783—That the Parliament agrees that the Joint Inspection of Children's Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill be passed.

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

9. Health Bill - UK Legislation: The Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care (Lewis Macdonald) moved S2M-3835—That the Parliament agrees that the UK Parliament should consider those provisions of the Health Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 27 October 2005, which will legislate in devolved areas in respect of supervisory requirements on community pharmacists and recovery of NHS costs in cases of personal injury compensation, which will include the powers consequential on these amendments and which will alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers to enforce certain provisions in the Medicines Act, as laid out in LCM(S2) 1.1.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 105, Against 1, Abstentions 5).

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

11. Communication Impairment: The Parliament debated S2M-3245 in the name of Mrs Nanette Milne—That the Parliament notes that there are an estimated 250,000 people in Scotland who have communication impairment; recognises that communication impairment can affect every waking moment of a person's life and that those affected by communication impairment, by definition, are not easily able to speak up about their needs, and believes that the Scottish Executive should take immediate steps to support quality social action research in order to develop a comprehensive and coherent framework for action on communication impairment in Scotland.

The meeting closed at 5.52 pm.

No. 49 Wednesday 25 January 2006

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Mrs Alison Twaddle, General Secretary of the Church of Scotland Guild, led Time for Reflection.

2. Abolition of NHS Prescription Charges (Scotland) Bill: Colin Fox moved S2M-3808—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Abolition of NHS Prescription Charges (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 40, Against 77, Abstentions 1).

3. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3871—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 1 February 2006

2.15 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Question Time
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 1 Debate: Council Tax Abolition and Service Tax Introduction (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 2 February 2006

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 3 Proceedings: Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill
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	Stage 1 Debate: Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Financial Resolution: Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 8 February 2006

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 February 2006

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget (Scotland) (No.3) Bill
11.40 am General Question Time
12 noon First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm Themed Question Time—
Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning;
Justice and Law Officers
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. Approval of SSIs: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3864—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2006 be approved; and

S2M-3865—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (Licensing of Skin Piercing and Tattooing) Order 2006 be approved.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

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

6. NHS Fife Waiting Times: The Parliament debated S2M-3825 in the name of Iain Smith—That the Parliament welcomes progress made on the reduction in waiting times for treatment of cancer patients in Scotland but notes with concern that 40% of patients in the NHS Fife area are waiting longer than two months for treatment and believes that the Scottish Executive should meet NHS Fife to discuss ways to cut waiting times for Fife cancer patients.

The meeting closed at 5.34 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. The Economy of the East of Scotland: Murdo Fraser moved S2M-3863—That the Parliament opposes the dramatic increase in tolls on the Forth Road Bridge being proposed by the Forth Estuary Transport Authority (FETA); notes that the proposals flow directly from the powers to implement road user charging granted under the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001 which were opposed by the Conservatives and supported by Labour, the Liberal Democrats and the Scottish National Party; further notes with concern the view of FETA that the bridge could be closed to heavy goods vehicles by 2013 and to all traffic by 2019; believes that either of these scenarios would have extremely serious consequences for the economy of the east of Scotland; supports the Scottish Executive's decision to carry out a comprehensive assessment of the structure of the current bridge; further believes, however, that in light of the timescales involved, this must be conducted simultaneously with preliminary work on options for a new crossing and how this might be funded, and calls on the Executive to commence such work without delay.

The Minister for Transport and Telecommunications (Tavish Scott) moved amendment S2M-3863.2 to motion S2M-3863—

Leave out from “opposes” to end and insert—

“notes the record of successive Conservative governments in approving tolling regimes on bridges, and further notes that the Scottish Government believes that a Forth road crossing is essential for the Fife economy and that it will make its decision on the FETA toll application after examination of the condition of the current bridge and the need for any replacement.”

Bruce Crawford moved amendment S2M-3863.1 to motion S2M-3863—

Leave out from “opposes” to end and insert—

“notes with regret the announcement by Lexmark that it intends to close its factory in Rosyth with the loss of 700 jobs; expresses sympathy for the workers affected; is concerned about the impact the closure will have on the economy of Dunfermline and West Fife; believes that, in response to the closure, an action plan targeted at assisting the Lexmark workforce should be introduced immediately; further believes that the Scottish Executive, in conjunction with Fife Council, should put in place, as a matter of urgency, a strategy for the economic revitalisation of Dunfermline town centre and that Transport Scotland should be directed to improve the transport links to the area in order to make it more attractive for investors; agrees that, as part of a package to help the economy of Fife, an immediate announcement freezing the level of tolls on the Forth Road Bridge at £1 should be made, and further agrees that planning for a new crossing should begin immediately in view of the fact that the bridge will close to heavy goods vehicles in 2013 and to all traffic in 2019 if a satisfactory engineering solution cannot be found to overcome the bridge's structural problems.”

After debate, amendment S2M-3863.2 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 70, Against 38, Abstentions 0). As a result amendment S2M-3863.1 was pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 70, Against 39, Abstentions 0).

Accordingly the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament notes the record of successive Conservative governments in approving tolling regimes on bridges, and further notes that the Scottish Government believes that a Forth road crossing is essential for the Fife economy and that it will make its decision on the FETA toll application after examination of the condition of the current bridge and the need for any replacement.

2. Future Energy Policy: Alex Johnstone moved S2M-3870—That the Parliament notes with interest the UK Energy Review; believes that provision of a secure and affordable supply of electricity is essential to Scotland's future prosperity, and therefore believes that all options, including the construction of new nuclear power stations to replace existing nuclear capacity, should be considered for inclusion in Scotland's future energy mix.

The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Allan Wilson) moved amendment S2M-3870.4 to motion S2M-3870—

Leave out from “notes” to end and insert—

“supports the Scottish Executive’s continuing commitment to the development of a wide range of renewable energy technologies in Scotland as a key element of a balanced energy supply mix; supports the Executive’s target that 40% of electricity generated in Scotland by 2020 should come from renewable sources; looks forward to publication of the revised Scottish Climate Change Programme and the consideration given to the contribution of energy efficiency and renewables to reduce carbon dioxide emissions; endorses the Executive’s commitment to tackling fuel poverty; acknowledges the Executive’s commitment to not support further development of nuclear power stations while waste management issues remain unresolved; welcomes the forthcoming release of the first two volumes of the Scottish Energy Study; recognises the importance of the UK energy review, and supports the Executive’s engagement with the UK Government, Ofgem and the energy industry to ensure that the future energy supply needs of Scotland are met.”

Richard Lochhead moved amendment S2M-3870.2 to motion S2M-3870—

Leave out from “with interest” to end and insert—

“that Scotland is an energy rich nation; rejects calls for investment in new nuclear power stations in favour of accelerating the development of our renewables potential and emerging clean technologies; notes that, contrary to the impression given by many commentators, Scotland is a gas exporter and consumes only one-eighth of gas produced, and believes that the Parliament requires the political powers to determine our own energy future and ensure that our energy resources benefit the people of Scotland.”

After debate, amendment S2M-3870.4 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 63, Against 38, Abstentions 8). As a result, amendment S2M-3870.2 was pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 64, Against 38, Abstentions 7).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament supports the Scottish Executive’s continuing commitment to the development of a wide range of renewable energy technologies in Scotland as a key element of a balanced energy supply mix; supports the Executive’s target that 40% of electricity generated in Scotland by 2020 should come from renewable sources; looks forward to publication of the revised Scottish Climate Change Programme and the consideration given to the contribution of energy efficiency and renewables to reduce carbon dioxide emissions; endorses the Executive’s commitment to tackling fuel poverty; acknowledges the Executive’s commitment to not support further development of nuclear power stations while waste management issues remain unresolved; welcomes the forthcoming release of the first two volumes of the Scottish Energy Study; recognises the importance of the UK energy review, and supports the Executive’s engagement with the UK Government, Ofgem and the energy industry to ensure that the future energy supply needs of Scotland are met.

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 Finance and Public Services and Communities and on Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

6. Budget (Scotland) No.3 Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-3854—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Budget (Scotland) (No. 3) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 62, Against 5, Abstentions 40).

7. Ministerial Statement: The Deputy Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Rhona Brankin) made a statement and answered questions on Forests for Scotland.

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

9. The Thistle Travel Card Scheme: The Parliament debated S2M-3553 in the name of Jackie Baillie—That the Parliament congratulates Enable,

together with a consortium of Scottish charities including Down's Syndrome Scotland and Alzheimer Scotland, for its work to introduce the Thistle Travel Card; welcomes the support of the Scottish Executive and transport companies for the implementation of the scheme, including in Dumbarton, Vale of Leven and Helensburgh; acknowledges that many people with learning or physical disabilities, as well as those with dementia and epilepsy, may experience some difficulty in using public transport; considers that the Thistle Travel Card provides them with additional assistance by alerting travel staff to their particular needs; notes that awareness of the scheme is limited, and considers that the Scottish Executive and transport companies should actively promote awareness and uptake of the Thistle Travel Card.

The meeting closed at 5.46 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.15 pm.

1 Time for Reflection: Rt Rev David W. Lacy, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, led Time for Reflection.

2 SPCB Question Time: Questions were answered by members of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body.

3 Council Tax Abolition and Service Tax Introduction (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: Tommy Sheridan moved S2M-3893—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Council Tax Abolition and Service Tax Introduction (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 12, Against 94, Abstentions 6).

4 Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3905—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 8 February 2006

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: Local Government Settlement 2006-2007
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 9 February 2006

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget (Scotland) (No.3) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: Volunteering
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning; Justice and Law Officers
2.55 pm	Executive Debate: Social Work for the 21 st Century
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 22 February 2006

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 February 2006

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—
Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport;
Finance and Public Services and Communities

2.55 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 SSIs: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3903—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Budget (Scotland) Act 2005 Amendment Order be approved; and

S2M-3904—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Police Act 1997 Amendment (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

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

7. Community and Village Halls: The Parliament debated S2M-3839 in the name of Mr Andrew Welsh—That the Parliament notes with concern the increased costs of water charges paid by new village and community halls and that these will also be imposed on older halls after 2010; recognises that these halls play a vital role as the hub of the community by providing a venue for educational classes, Scottish dancing, recreation, Scottish Women’s Rural Institute meetings, keep-fit classes, youth clubs, scouts, brownies and other activities; believes that these charges to charitable organisations are an undue burden on local rural communities in Angus; notes that the Scottish Executive has partly funded numerous new halls and refurbishments for many more which has caused an increase in the rateable value burden, and believes that the Executive should extend the exemption scheme to all community and village halls with charitable status and introduce legislation to reinstate the exemption for community and village halls which have charitable status.

The meeting closed at 5.35 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.16 am.

1. Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3907—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limit indicated (that 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, other than a suspension following the first division in the Stage being called, or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 and 2 – 40 minutes

Groups 3 and 4 – 1 hour 10 minutes

Groups 5 to 7 – 1 hour 40 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

2. Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 1, 2, 38, 61, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10.

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

11 (For 18, Against 87, Abstentions 0)

13 (For 18, Against 84, Abstentions 0)

15 (For 13, Against 67, Abstentions 0)

59 (For 39, Against 66, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were not moved: 12, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 60, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 40, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114 and 115.

Amendments 39 and 62 were pre-empted.

3. Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care (Lewis Macdonald) moved S2M-3785—That the Parliament agrees that the Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill be passed.

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

4. General Question Time: Questions were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

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

6. Themed Question Time: Questions on Health and Community Care and on Environment and Rural Development were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

7. Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-3786—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 98, Against 4, Abstentions 1).

8. Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-3822—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (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 charges or payments in relation to which paragraph 4 of that Rule applies,
- arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

10. Childhood Obesity in Scotland: The Parliament debated S2M-3732 in the name of Elaine Smith—That the Parliament expresses concern at recent findings published by NHS Scotland which suggest that the proportion of Scottish children who are overweight, obese and severely obese is far higher than anticipated in all age groups and is twice that of the expected UK average; recognises this means that more than a third of our 12-year-olds were considered to be overweight last year, 19.4% were considered to be obese and 11.2% severely obese; accepts that these figures represent a potential time bomb for the NHS in terms of the future costs of the treatment of obesity and related illness; acknowledges the commitment by the Scottish

Executive to tackle this problem; considers that more robust measures are needed, such as investing further in the promotion of breastfeeding as the healthiest start in life, removing unhealthy dietary choices from our school environments and increasing the focus and commitment to physical activity in our schools; acknowledges that examples of best practice exist, such as South Coatbridge's Healthy Lifestyle Project, and believes that, in light of these findings, a national debate is needed to re-examine all possible options and means of making progress on this issue.

The meeting closed at 5.55 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Father Eddie McGhee, Parish Priest of St Joseph's, Stranraer, led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3930—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 8 February 2006—

Wednesday 8 February 2006

after,

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

insert,

followed by Ministerial Statement: Proposed Action following the Bichard Report

The motion was agreed to.

3. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3931—That the Parliament agrees that for the purposes of consideration of the Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2006 on Wednesday 8 February 2006, the sentence “The debate on the motion shall last no more than 90 minutes” in Rule 10.7 of Standing Orders be suspended.

The motion was agreed to.

4. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) made a statement and answered questions on Proposed Action following the Bichard Report.

5. Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2006: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-3922—That the Parliament agrees that the Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/29) be approved.

Mr John Swinney moved amendment S2M-3922.2 to motion S2M-3922—

Insert at end—

“but, in so doing, considers that, in order to protect council tax payers from above-inflation increases in council tax that will arise from the inadequate financial provision in this Order, local authorities should be permitted to retain £58.5 million in efficiency savings and obtain a £34.7m share of the public expenditure arising from the pre-

Budget report to close the financial gap in support for local authority services that exists.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 27, Against 79, Abstentions 5).

David Davidson moved amendment S2M-3922.1 to motion S2M-3922—

Insert at end—

“but, in so doing, considers that there is a lack of democratic accountability at the local government level due to the high level of ring-fencing attached to the Scottish Executive’s revenue support grant, and further considers that only when councils are freer to set their own spending priorities will local needs be better met.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 34, Against 67, Abstentions 9).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 63, Against 5, Abstentions 42).

6. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3932—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 22 February 2006

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Financial Resolution: Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members’ Business

Thursday 23 February 2006

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 1 Debate: Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Bill
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 Executive Debate: Fair to All, Personal to Each – the Progress on Waiting

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 1 March 2006

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 2 March 2006

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.

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3925—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 28 April 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3926—That the Parliament agrees that Patrick Harvie be appointed to replace Robin Harper as the Scottish Green Party substitute on the Procedures Committee; and

S2M-3927—That the Parliament agrees that Robin Harper be appointed as the Scottish Green Party substitute on the Finance Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

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

10. Linlithgow Primary School Volunteers: The Parliament debated S2M-3700 in the Mrs Mary Mulligan—That the Parliament congratulates the children of Linlithgow Primary School who were honoured by Historic Scotland this week, on International Volunteer Day, for the tremendous work they do as tour guides around Linlithgow Palace and further commends their volunteering to other young people as a way of developing personal skills, but also of establishing a pride in the history of their own town or community.

The meeting closed at 5.39 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.19 am.

1. Budget (Scotland) (No.3) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3934—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Budget (Scotland) (No.3) Bill, debate on amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion no later than 15 minutes after the Stage begins (excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when the meeting of the Parliament is suspended, other than a suspension following the first division in the Stage being called, or otherwise not in progress).

The motion was agreed to.

2. Budget (Scotland) (No.3) 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 and 13.

3. Budget (Scotland) (No.3) Bill - Stage 3: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-3909—That the Parliament agrees that the Budget (Scotland) (No.3) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 43, Against 2, Abstentions 32).

4. Volunteering: The Parliament debated the subject of Volunteering.

5. General Question Time: Questions were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

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

7. Themed Question Time: Questions on Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning, and on Justice and Law Officers were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers and by the Scottish Law Officers.

8. Social Work for the 21st Century: The Parliament debated the subject of Social Work for the 21st Century.

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took a decision on item 3 as noted above.

10. Cumbernauld Town Centre: The Parliament debated S2M-3848 in the name of Margaret Mitchell—That the Parliament notes that, in the Channel 4

programme, "Demolition", broadcast in December 2005, the public nominated and voted for Cumbernauld Town Shopping Centre as the most hated building in Britain; acknowledges that Cumbernauld is in a great location; commends the residents of Cumbernauld for maintaining a sense of pride in their town despite the problems, which have existed for many years, associated with design and the lack of an identifiable town centre; congratulates Channel 4 for having produced this excellent piece of broadcast journalism which, firstly, ensured that these problems have been the subject of a national awareness-raising exercise and, secondly, which provided practical solutions to these problems; recognises that quality of life is the core issue; expresses concern that North Lanarkshire Council intends to proceed with design plans for the town shopping centre which will, in the view of those who took part in the programme, merely compound the problems which already exist; believes that the Scottish Executive should encourage North Lanarkshire Council to take on board the suggestions made in the programme to regenerate Cumbernauld by creating an identifiable town centre starting at St Mungo's Church and continuing to tree-lined boulevards with shop fronts facing widened pavements where bistro and alfresco activities could be provided, and considers that North Lanarkshire Council should initiate a consultation with the residents of Cumbernauld on these proposals.

The meeting closed at 5.45 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. **Time for Reflection:** Irene Khan, Secretary General of Amnesty International, led Time for Reflection.
2. **Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3986—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 22 February 2006—

Wednesday 22 February 2006

after,

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

insert,

followed by Ministerial Statement: The Scottish Fingerprint Service

The motion was agreed to.

3. **Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3987—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 11.2.4 of the Standing Orders that Decision Time on Wednesday 22 February 2006 shall begin at 5.15 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

4. **Ministerial Statement:** The Lord Advocate (Colin Boyd) and the Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) made statements and answered questions on the Scottish Fingerprint Service.

5. **Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Bill – Stage 1:** The Deputy Minister for Education and Young People (Robert Brown) moved S2M-3895—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Bill.

Fiona Hyslop moved amendment S2M-3895.1 to motion S2M-3895—

Insert at end—

“but, in so doing, notes that parental involvement in the management of schools as institutions is not the same as parents’ involvement in their own children’s education which should be the focus of policy, and regrets that the Scottish Executive has failed to provide detail about its proposals for the role of parents in the appointment of headteachers and senior staff before introducing the Bill or the debate and vote on Stage 1 of the Bill, noting that this is now the most contentious part of the Bill since the

Executive latterly introduced proposals for elected parent councils similar to elected school boards into the Bill.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 50, Against 62, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 62, Against 17, Abstentions 32).

6. Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Bill – Financial Resolution:

The Deputy Minister for Education and Young People (Robert Brown) moved S2M-3486—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Bill, agrees to any expenditure or 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.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 81, Against 0, Abstentions 29).

7. Motion without Notice: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that motion S2M-3994 be taken at this meeting of Parliament.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3994—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 1 March 2006

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: Regeneration in Scotland – people and place
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members’ Business

Thursday 2 March 2006

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish National Party 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 Debate: Architecture

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 8 March 2006

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 March 2006

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

11.40 am General Question Time

12 noon First Minister's Question Time

2.15 pm Themed Question Time—
Justice and Law Officers;
Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning

2.55 pm Executive Business

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

9. Approval of SSIs: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3976—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Prohibition of Smoking in Certain Premises (Scotland) Regulations 2006 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3977—That the Parliament agrees that David McLetchie be appointed to replace Mr David Davidson on the Local Government and Transport Committee; and

S2M-3978—That the Parliament agrees that Mr David Davidson be appointed to replace Miss Annabel Goldie on the Justice 2 Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

11. Substitution on Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-3979—That the Parliament agrees that David McLetchie be appointed to replace Mr Brian Monteith as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Enterprise and Culture Committee.

S2M-3988—That the Parliament agrees that Stewart Stevenson be appointed as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

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

13. Beaully to Denny Power Line: Concerns Over Increase of Childhood Leukaemia: The Parliament debated S2M-3642 in the name of Bruce Crawford—That the Parliament notes the findings of the Draper Report into the link between high voltage power lines and levels of childhood leukaemia which, among other findings, concluded that children who live within 200 metres of high voltage power lines were nearly twice as likely to have childhood leukaemia as those who lived within 600 metres of a line; further notes that the National Radiological Protection Board recommended that the UK Government should consider the need for further precautionary measures and, as a consequence, the Stakeholder Advisory Group on ELF EMFs was formed to explore the implications of a precautionary approach and make practical recommendations; is concerned that, with regard to the application by Scottish and Southern Energy to construct a high voltage power line between Beaully and Denny, a survey carried out by Stirling Before Pylons of the Stirling Council area shows that 50 houses are within 100 metres of the pylon corridor, that 48 flats housing approximately 330 students at Stirling University are within 200 metres and that 878 houses are within 600 metres of the pylon corridor, and believes, therefore, in view of the reports showing a link between high voltage power lines and childhood leukaemia and the results of the Stirling Before Pylons survey, that the Scottish Executive should seriously examine these matters as part of its consideration of the application or indeed any future public enquiries which might be held.

14. Motion without Notice: Mr Mark Ruskell moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended until 6.20 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 6.20 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved S2M-3894—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Bill.

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

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 Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport, and on Finance and Public Services and Communities were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Fair to All, Personal to Each - the Progress on Waiting: The Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr) moved S2M-3990—That the Parliament welcomes the significant progress made by NHS Scotland to reduce waiting times; applauds the dedication and hard work of all NHS staff who have helped meet the targets for patients; acknowledges the contribution made by the Scottish Executive through additional investment in the NHS; notes that partnerships with the independent healthcare sector have also contributed to the capacity available to treat NHS patients; supports the continuing work by the NHS to modernise and redesign services to further improve access and accelerate diagnosis and treatment, and supports the Executive’s commitment to achieve further improvements in waiting times while securing a modern sustainable health service for Scotland on the basis of *Delivering for Health*.

Shona Robison moved amendment S2M-3990.3 to motion S2M-3990—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“congratulates NHS staff for their hard work in delivering progress in meeting targets for patients with waiting time guarantees; however recognises the recent concerns of Audit Scotland that the number of people without a waiting time guarantee has increased, that nearly 24,000 patients have been waiting more than six months for in-patient and day case treatment and that the total number of people waiting for in-patient and day case treatment has changed little in the last two years; further notes that Audit Scotland’s report, *Tackling Waiting Times in the NHS in Scotland*, regards the increased use of the private sector as being “relatively high-cost” compared to the NHS; welcomes the report’s recommendation that there should be greater involvement and choice for patients, and therefore commends the SNP’s Patient Rights proposals to

provide every patient with an individual waiting time guarantee appropriate to them within national waiting time targets.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 30, Against 80, Abstentions 0).

Mrs Nanette Milne moved amendment S2M-3990.1 to motion S2M-3990—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“notes the progress in eliminating the longest waits; is concerned, however, at the corresponding rise in patients with Availability Status Codes who are not guaranteed treatment within the waiting times target; notes that the extra money going into the health service has not been matched by corresponding increases in productivity; further notes that, despite the efforts and hard work of the NHS staff, patients are not receiving the level of service they demand and deserve because of insufficient capacity to meet demand; is concerned by the stark health inequalities existing between each end of the social deprivation scale, local health service facilities being closed against the wishes of local communities and a slow adoption of new drugs and technologies, and believes that Scotland needs to move to a system with greater responsiveness to the needs of individual patients and communities, put power back in the hands of professionals to prioritise treatment by clinical need and increase the capacity available to treat NHS patients by extending the use of the independent sector.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 95, Abstentions 0).

Carolyn Leckie moved amendment S2M-3990.2 to motion S2M-3990—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“applauds the dedication and hard work of all NHS staff who have helped meet the targets for patients; notes that the NHS has insufficient core capacity and insufficient core staffing of establishments resulting in increased overtime and locum costs; believes that resources that should be directly spent on patient care are being diverted to increasing the profits of private health providers; believes that NHS patients treated by the private sector have had their care standards compromised, for example patients treated by the Advanced Centre for Eye Care (ACE) and those in England with severe respiratory illnesses made reliant on oxygen supplied by the private sector; believes that all private healthcare providers in Scotland should be urgently audited by Audit Scotland to determine whether the standards of care provided are putting patients at risk or imposing additional care burdens on NHS staff; believes that the NHS is under threat as a public health care system and that urgent action is required to protect and improve it, including increased investment in training to provide more NHS doctors, dentists, clinicians, other professionals and support staff to increase the NHS’s own capacity, and believes that Scotland’s stark health inequalities will only be intensified by the increased involvement of the private sector.”

After debate, the amendment disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 13, Against 97, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 62, Against 41, Abstentions 6).

6. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-3995—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Andrew Welsh be appointed to replace Michael Matheson as the Scottish National Party substitute 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-4000—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Jamie Stone be appointed to replace Mike Pringle on the Subordinate Legislation Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 5, 6 and 7 as noted above.

9. Air Ambulance Trials in Orkney: The Parliament debated S2M-3877 in the name of Mr Jim Wallace—That the Parliament notes the proposal of the Scottish Ambulance Service to replace the Kirkwall-based BN Islander aircraft, successfully used for many years to provide air ambulance cover for Orkney, with an Inverness-based EC 135 helicopter which also covers a much wider area of the Highlands and Islands and beyond; further notes that trials of the helicopter on service in Orkney, carried out since spring 2005, have done little to provide assurances that it can provide even an equal level of service to that provided by the Islander aircraft, with particular concerns relating to its ability to fly in Orkney's winter weather and also its ability to provide adequate cover for the wide area it will be required to serve, and believes that, if the Kirkwall-based Islander aircraft is not retained as a back-up facility beyond the end of March 2006, Orkney will be left with poorer quality and potentially unsafe air ambulance cover.

The meeting closed at 5.59 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Reverend Favian Straughan, Order of Buddhist Contemplatives, Portobello Buddhist Priory, Edinburgh, led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: George Lyon, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4040—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 1 March 2006—

Wednesday 1 March 2006

after,

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

insert,

followed by Ministerial Statement: Tolloed Bridges Review

The motion was agreed to.

3. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Transport and Telecommunications (Tavish Scott) made a statement and answered questions on the Tolloed Bridges Review.

4. Regeneration in Scotland - People and Place: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-4024—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the Scottish Executive’s statement “People and Place: Regeneration Policy in Scotland”; notes the current support for the regeneration of communities across Scotland; supports the commitment from the Executive and its agencies to work with local authorities and other partners to ensure that communities benefit from economic activity and to attract further investment from the private sector, and welcomes the Executive’s determination to tackle those land, property and other issues that can act as a barrier to regeneration and to create successful, mixed and vibrant communities.

Christine Grahame moved amendment S2M-4024.1 to motion S2M-4024—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“notes that after some seven years of this Labour/Liberal Democrat coalition and the launch of yet another glossy brochure littered with self-evident axioms, one in four Scottish children and one in five pensioners remain in poverty; further notes that tens of thousands of young people remain not in education, training or employment and that 39,000 manufacturing jobs have been lost in the first three years of this government

and that, according to a report in *The Herald* on 28 February 2006, a spokesman for the First Minister stated regarding regeneration, “England has jumped ahead of us on this. This is us getting our act together”; therefore welcomes the Finance Committee’s inquiry on deprivation spending, to report at the end of March, and recognises that, had the Scottish people not been deliberately misled about the impact of the energy reserves in the 1970s and the economic and social prospects of independence, poverty in Scotland would have been made history.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 26, Against 78, Abstentions 10).

Mary Scanlon moved amendment S2M-4024.2 to motion S2M-4024—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“notes the publication of the Scottish Executive’s statement “People and Place: Regeneration Policy in Scotland”; further notes that under the Executive’s stewardship the gap between the poorest and rich in our society is widening, as shown in recent Joseph Rowntree Foundation figures, and that the number of working-age adults without dependent children who are in income poverty has increased from around 300,000 in the mid-1990s to almost 400,000 in recent years; believes that the key to tackling poverty is to have a thriving economy where people can find secure employment, and accordingly calls on the Executive to create an environment for businesses to invest in Scotland by reducing the burden of regulation and tax and by investing in our infrastructure.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 40, Against 74, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to/disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 64, Against 44, Abstentions 6).

5. Business Motion: George Lyon, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4041—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 8 March 2006

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: International Women’s Day
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members’ Business

Thursday 9 March 2006

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Justice and Law Officers; Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning
2.55 pm	Executive Debate: Agriculture Strategy
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Wednesday 15 March 2006	
2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Business
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Thursday 16 March 2006	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	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, Tourism, Culture and Sport
2.55 pm	Executive Business
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

6. Business Motion: George Lyon, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4033—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 24 March 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Business Motion: George Lyon, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4034—That the Parliament agrees that the timetable for completion of consideration of the Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 28 April 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Designation of Lead Committee: George Lyon, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4030—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Approval of SSI: George Lyon, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-4031—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Transfer of Functions from the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority and the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Executive to the West of Scotland Transport Partnership Order 2006 be approved; and

S2M-4032—That the Parliament agrees that the draft National Bus Travel Concession Scheme for Older and Disabled Persons (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

10. Establishment of Committee: George Lyon, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4035—That the Parliament agrees to establish a committee of the Parliament as follows:

Name of Committee: Glasgow Airport Rail Link Bill Committee;

Remit: To consider and report to the Parliament on the Glasgow Airport Rail Link Bill;

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

Convenership: The Convener and the Deputy Convener will be members of the Labour Party;

Membership: Mr Andrew Arbuckle, Marlyn Glen, Margaret Jamieson, Michael Matheson, Mr Brian Monteith.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

12. North Ayrshire Schools PPP Project: The Parliament debated S2M-3810 in the name of Campbell Martin—That the Parliament notes that North

Ayrshire Council, through a PPP project, intends to amalgamate St Andrew's Academy in Saltcoats with St Michael's Academy in Kilwinning and to build a "superschool" to be erected on Laighdykes playing fields in Saltcoats, the only playing fields serving the towns of Saltcoats and Ardrossan; is concerned that the council's plans will impact adversely on the educational attainment of pupils and on the provision of open space and sports pitches in Saltcoats and Ardrossan; is further concerned that questions remain over aspects of the bidding and procurement processes adopted by North Ayrshire Council in its PPP for Schools Project, and considers that public private partnerships do not represent best value for local taxpayers and local communities.

The meeting closed at 6.00 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Shirley McKie: Nicola Sturgeon moved S2M-4039—That the Parliament agrees with Lord McCluskey, retired High Court judge and former Solicitor General for Scotland, that one of the fundamental principles underlying the rule of law in a mature democracy is the principle that justice must be seen to be done; considers that in the case of Shirley McKie issues have arisen implying that justice has not been seen to be done, and, in further agreeing with Lord McCluskey that the issues involved are not party political but go to the heart of public trust in the criminal justice system, calls on the Scottish Executive to consider how the concerns expressed by Lord McCluskey should be addressed.

The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved amendment S2M-4039.2 to motion S2M-4039—

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

“that action needs to be taken to restore public and professional confidence in the Scottish Fingerprint Service; acknowledges that in 2000 the SCRO Fingerprint Bureau was the subject of an independent inspection by Her Majesty’s Inspectorate of Constabulary (HMIC); notes that following three further inspections HMIC reported that its 25 recommendations had been fully discharged; notes that further reforms are being taken forward; that the Minister for Justice has instructed the interim Chief Executive of the Scottish Police Services Authority to bring forward, by the end of March, a comprehensive action plan drawing on the best available international scientific advice and management expertise; notes that this action plan will be reported to the Parliament; believes that a public inquiry is not appropriate; notes that it is the responsibility of the Parliament to hold the Scottish Executive to account; welcomes the work already commenced by the Justice 1 Committee, and confirms the Executive’s commitment to co-operate with any inquiries that the Parliament may decide to take forward in scrutinising these reforms.”

Colin Fox moved amendment S2M-4039.1 to motion S2M-4039—

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

“the public is still not satisfied that the truth of the matter is all available; recognises that the McKie family campaign is not satisfied that there was no conspiracy against her; also recognises that the four Scottish Criminal Record Office (SCRO) fingerprint workers are furious that their competence and reputation has been sullied; believes that the Scottish Executive has a duty to address all these concerns, and calls for a public inquiry to get to the truth of this matter and to restore public confidence in the SCRO and the fingerprint service as soon as possible.”

2. Scottish Water: Rob Gibson moved S2M-4036—That the Parliament notes that, despite assurances from ministers that Scottish Water’s investment plans were on target, the Chairman of Scottish Water has resigned due to disagreements with ministers and Scottish Water has been required to produce another business plan; considers that these events

highlight poor stewardship of the water industry by the Scottish Executive; expresses its concern over the impact of delays in investment in water and sewerage infrastructure on economic, environmental and social development in Scotland, and calls on the Executive to set out promptly what impact these events will have on delivering the ministerial objectives for the water industry in Scotland.

The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved amendment S2M-4036.2 to motion S2M-4036—

Leave out from “, despite” to end and insert—

“Scottish Water’s draft business plan of April 2005 stated that achieving Scottish Ministers’ objectives for 2006 to 2010 would require a capital investment programme of £3.7 billion and a doubling in customer charges, that the Water Industry Commission’s determination of charges for 2006 to 2010 allowed Scottish Water a capital investment programme of £2.1 billion and charges rising by less than the rate of inflation to achieve the objectives, that Scottish Water accepted the determination, but its plan demonstrating how it would deliver the objectives within the limits set by the determination was judged by the Scottish Executive, supported by the regulators, not to meet the requirements in a number of material aspects and Scottish Water was required to produce a new plan that would command the confidence of Ministers and regulators, and considers these actions by the Executive to represent good stewardship of Scottish Water in the public and customer interest.”

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-4036.1 to motion S2M-4036—

Leave out from “and calls” to end and insert—

“further expresses concern that Scottish Water is failing to deliver an appropriate level of service to its customers; notes the concerns of the building community about Scottish Water’s failure to allocate sufficient resources to remove development constraints; further notes the Executive’s admission on 9 February 2005 that business customers have been overcharged £44 million a year for water; further notes that the introduction of Surface Water Drainage charges based on the size of the property are to be introduced into the denationalised English water market on 1 April which will lead to significantly lower charges for small businesses in England than in Scotland, thereby re-enforcing the present competitive disadvantage faced by Scots firms; further notes the comments of former Environment Minister, Sam Galbraith, that “We are slowly going broke and the only way to solve this is to reduce the public sector wage bill. Privatised water and, at a stroke, the bill is cut” (*The Scotsman*, 10 February 2005); believes that as long as Scottish Water remains a bureaucratic, nationalised monopoly it will struggle to adopt the private sector disciplines expected by the Executive and the Water Industry Commission, and therefore calls on the Executive to take its commitment to make economic growth its top priority seriously by creating a genuine market in water and privatising Scottish Water or adopting a “not for dividend” model such as Welsh Water.”

The Presiding Officer suspended the meeting under Rule 7.4.1(a) at 11.40 am.

The meeting closed at 11.40 am under Rule 7.4.3.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Mrs Liz Hood, Business Education Teacher at Perth Academy, led Time for Reflection.

2. International Women’s Day, 8 March 2006: The Deputy Minister for Communities (Johann Lamont) moved S2M-4063—That the Parliament notes the significance of 8 March 2006 as International Women’s Day; endorses the role which this day plays in recognising, promoting and celebrating women’s issues worldwide; congratulates the many groups and organisations which, and individuals who, strive for gender equality and to create a fairer and more equal society for women in Scotland, and, in particular, acknowledges the wide range of Scottish Executive work to advance the women’s agenda in Scotland.

Ms Sandra White moved amendment S2M-4063.1 to motion S2M-4063—

Insert at end—

“however, notes that 30 years after the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 came into force, the pace of change remains painfully slow; further notes with great concern the trafficking of women throughout Europe, and calls on the Executive to do all in its power to stop this horrific practice.”

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

The motion was then agreed to (DT).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament notes the significance of 8 March 2006 as International Women’s Day; endorses the role which this day plays in recognising, promoting and celebrating women’s issues worldwide; congratulates the many groups and organisations which, and individuals who, strive for gender equality and to create a fairer and more equal society for women in Scotland, and, in particular, acknowledges the wide range of Scottish Executive work to advance the women’s agenda in Scotland however, notes that 30 years after the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 came into force, the pace of change remains painfully slow; further notes with great concern the trafficking of women throughout Europe, and calls on the Executive to do all in its power to stop this horrific practice.

3. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4079—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 15 March 2006

2.30 pm

Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Executive Debate: Improving the Legislative Process

followed by Members' Business: S2M-3890 Mr Kenneth Macintosh: The Importance of Play

followed by Business Motion

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 16 March 2006

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Ministerial Statement: Major Public Transport Projects update

followed by Appointment of the Scottish Parliamentary Standards Commissioner

followed by Non-Executive Business: Independents' Group

11.40 am General Question Time

12 noon First Minister's Question Time

2.15 pm Themed Question Time—
Finance and Communities;
Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport

2.55 pm Justice 1 Committee Debate: European Commission Green Papers on Applicable Law in Divorce and Succession and Wills

followed by European and External Relations Committee Debate: 4th Report 2005, An Inquiry into the Scottish Executive's Fresh Talent Initiative Examining the Problems It Aims to Address, Its Operation, Challenges and Prospects

followed by Company Law Reform Bill Legislative Consent Motion – UK Legislation

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 22 March 2006

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

<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Thursday 23 March 2006	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	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
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

4. Business Motions: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-4075—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 31 March 2006;

S2M-4076—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 25 May 2006; and

S2M-4077—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 21 April 2006.

The motions were agreed to.

5. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4065—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Budget (Scotland) Act 2005 Amendment (No. 2) Order 2006 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4066—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be referred to the Justice 2 Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Decision Time: The Parliament took the following decisions on motions and amendments debated on Thursday 2 March 2006—

Amendment S2M-4039.2, in the name of Cathy Jamieson, to motion (S2M-4039) in the name of Nicola Sturgeon, was agreed to (by division: For 64, Against 51, Abstentions 0). As a result, amendment S2M-4039.1 in the name of Colin Fox was pre-empted.

Motion S2M-4039, as amended, was then agreed to (by division: For 66, Against 51, Abstentions 0).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament agrees that action needs to be taken to restore public and professional confidence in the Scottish Fingerprint Service; acknowledges that in 2000 the SCRO Fingerprint Bureau was the subject of an independent inspection by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary (HMIC); notes that following three further inspections HMIC reported that its 25 recommendations had been fully discharged; notes that further reforms are being taken forward; that the Minister for Justice has instructed the interim Chief Executive of the Scottish Police Services Authority to bring forward, by the end of March, a comprehensive action plan drawing on the best available international scientific advice and management expertise; notes that this action plan will be reported to the Parliament; believes that a public inquiry is not appropriate; notes that it is the responsibility of the Parliament to hold the Scottish Executive to account; welcomes the work already commenced by the Justice 1 Committee, and confirms the Executive's commitment to co-operate with any inquiries that the Parliament may decide to take forward in scrutinising these reforms.

Amendment S2M-4036.2, in the name of Ross Finnie, to motion (S2M-4036) in the name of Rob Gibson, was agreed to (by division: For 65, Against 47, Abstentions 6). As a result, amendment S2M-4036.1, in the name of Murdo Fraser was pre-empted

Motion S2M-4036, as amended, was then agreed to (by division: For 65, Against 47, Abstentions 6).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament notes that Scottish Water's draft business plan of April 2005 stated that achieving Scottish Ministers' objectives for 2006 to 2010 would require a capital investment programme of £3.7 billion and a doubling in customer charges; notes that the Water Industry Commission's determination of charges for 2006 to 2010 allowed Scottish Water a capital investment programme of £2.1 billion and charges rising by less than the rate of inflation to achieve the objectives; notes that Scottish Water accepted the determination but its plan demonstrating how it would deliver the objectives within the limits set by the determination was judged by the Executive, supported by the regulators, not to meet the requirements in a number of material aspects; notes that the Executive has

required Scottish Water to produce a new plan which will command the confidence of Ministers and regulators, and considers these actions by the Executive to represent good stewardship of Scottish Water in the public and customer interest.

The Parliament then took decisions on items 2, 7 and 8 as noted above.

8. 21st Anniversary of the North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organisation: The Parliament debated S2M-3928 in the name of Maureen Macmillan—That the Parliament recognises the importance to Scotland of wild salmon conservation; further recognises the vital work undertaken by the North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organisation (NASCO), the only international treaty organisation based in Scotland, and welcomes the 21st anniversary of the establishment of NASCO.

The meeting closed at 5.48 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Future Energy Policy: Alex Johnstone moved S2M-4074—That the Parliament calls on the Scottish Executive to support the adoption of a balanced energy policy to meet the energy needs of the nation, including the promotion of clean coal technology, new and replacement nuclear build, as well as oil and gas and renewables and therefore considers that immediate plans must be started to replace or renew our existing coal-fired and nuclear generating stations where required.

The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Allan Wilson) moved amendment S2M-4074.3 to motion S2M-4074—

Leave out from “calls on” to end and insert—

“notes the progress made at Longannet to secure future base load energy supplies; supports the Scottish Executive’s commitment to the development of a wide range of renewable energy technologies in Scotland as a key element of a balanced energy supply mix; supports the Executive’s target that 40% of electricity generated in Scotland by 2020 should come from renewable sources; looks forward to publication of the revised Scottish Climate Change Programme and the consideration given to the contribution of energy efficiency and renewables to reduce carbon dioxide emissions; endorses the Executive’s commitment to tackling fuel poverty; acknowledges the Executive’s commitment to not support further development of nuclear power stations while waste management issues remain unresolved; welcomes the release of the first two volumes of the Scottish Energy Study; recognises the importance of the UK Energy Review, and supports the Executive’s engagement with the UK Government, Ofgem and the energy industry to ensure that the future energy supply needs of Scotland are met.”

Richard Lochhead moved amendment S2M-4074.2 to motion S2M-4074—

Leave out from “calls on” to end and insert—

“believes that there is no case for the building of new nuclear power stations in Scotland and that decisions on our energy future should be the responsibility of the Scottish Parliament rather than the UK Government, in line with the wishes of the people of Scotland.”

Shiona Baird moved amendment S2M-4074.1 to motion S2M-4074—

Leave out from “calls on” to end and insert—

“acknowledges that the development of stable, secure and sustainable future energy policy is one of the most pressing and most challenging tasks facing the present generation; recognises that any future energy policy must consider all energy and not merely electricity, which accounts for only around one-fifth of total energy demand; accepts that such a policy must take into account the twin problems of climate change and dwindling supplies of oil and other fossil fuels; welcomes the recent publication by the Sustainable Development Commission (SDC) of its position paper, *The Role of Nuclear Power in a Low Carbon Economy*; supports the conclusion of the SDC that

nuclear power is not the answer to tackling climate change or security of supply; further notes the results of a BBC Scotland opinion poll indicating that a majority of Scots favour more renewable energy while a small minority supports new nuclear power, and calls on the Scottish Executive to ensure that Scotland's future energy policy involves radical energy efficiency measures, the expansion of all renewable technologies, decentralised networks and the widespread adoption of microgeneration.”

After debate, amendment S2M-4074.3 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 61, Against 41, Abstentions 7). As a result, amendments S2M-4074.2 and S2M-4074.1 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 61, Against 41, Abstentions 7)

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament notes the progress made at Longannet to secure future base load energy supplies; supports the Scottish Executive's commitment to the development of a wide range of renewable energy technologies in Scotland as a key element of a balanced energy supply mix; supports the Executive's target that 40% of electricity generated in Scotland by 2020 should come from renewable sources; looks forward to publication of the revised Scottish Climate Change Programme and the consideration given to the contribution of energy efficiency and renewables to reduce carbon dioxide emissions; endorses the Executive's commitment to tackling fuel poverty; acknowledges the Executive's commitment to not support further development of nuclear power stations while waste management issues remain unresolved; welcomes the release of the first two volumes of the Scottish Energy Study; recognises the importance of the UK Energy Review, and supports the Executive's engagement with the UK Government, Ofgem and the energy industry to ensure that the future energy supply needs of Scotland are met.

2. Drug Abuse: Miss Annabel Goldie moved S2M-4073—That the Parliament notes the increasing drugs problem in Scotland which has seen rises in the number of drug-related deaths and drug-related crimes; recognises that drug abuse destroys lives, tears families apart, leads to widespread and recurring crime and the disintegration of entire communities; believes that there should be a zero tolerance drugs strategy which aims to rid Scotland of drugs; believes that such a strategy should place an emphasis on early intervention and include a coherent education programme which prioritises abstinence, and believes that there needs to be a change in the help offered to drug addicts, away from an over-reliance on methadone and towards a drug-free lifestyle.

The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved amendment S2M-4073.3 to motion S2M-4073—

Leave out from “calls on” to end and insert—

“recognises that drug abuse destroys lives and tears families apart; recognises that more needs to be done, particularly to support and protect children in drug misusing households; believes that there should be an early intervention strategy; believes that there is a need to help addicts to move towards a drug-free lifestyle by offering a range

of interventions; believes that for those on methadone there should be a care plan which includes an exit strategy from methadone use; believes that there should be an education programme which continues to reinforce the dangers of taking drugs; believes that employability issues should be addressed as part of re-establishing a drug-free stable lifestyle, and welcomes the enhancements to the Scottish Drugs Misuse Database which should lead to an improvement in the collection of data to help shape and target investment and services.”

Stewart Stevenson moved amendment S2M-4073.1 to motion S2M-4073—

Leave out from “notes” to end and insert—

“acknowledges that drug abuse creates feelings of hopelessness, despair and low self-worth in individuals and communities; recognises that drug misusers are individuals who will vary widely as to the best approach to address their addictions and therefore dismisses single dogmatic solutions to this complex problem; believes that the Scottish Executive should focus resources on appropriate support and child protection measures for children in drug misusing families; notes that access to support for addicts varies widely across Scotland; recommends that substantial additional resources are focused on addiction services and on recovering profits from illegal drugs trade barons, and calls on all in public life to make common cause in the fight against drug misuse.”

Tommy Sheridan moved amendment S2M-4073.2 to motion S2M-4073—

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

“calls for a radical overhaul of the unhelpful drugs laws which cause more problems rather than providing solutions; further calls for a pilot scheme to be initiated into the prescribing of heroin under clinical conditions; calls for massive investment in drug rehabilitation and treatment, based on the fact that it is nine times more effective to treat drug addicts than pay the cost of drug-related crime, and calls for a recognition of the role of extended family members, particularly grandparents, in supporting and protecting children in families where there is drug misuse.”

After debate, amendment S2M-4073.3 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 61, Against 17, Abstentions 30). As a result, amendments S2M-4073.1 and S2M-4073.2 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 90, Against 17, Abstentions 2)

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament recognises that drug abuse destroys lives and tears families apart; recognises that more needs to be done, particularly to support and protect children in drug misusing households; believes that there should be an early intervention strategy; believes that there is a need to help addicts to move towards a drug-free lifestyle by offering a range of interventions; believes that for those on methadone there should be a care plan which includes an exit strategy from methadone use; believes that there should be an education programme which continues to reinforce the dangers of taking drugs; believes that employability issues should be addressed as part of re-establishing a drug-free stable lifestyle, and welcomes the enhancements to the Scottish Drugs Misuse

Database which should lead to an improvement in the collection of data to help shape and target investment and services.

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, Transport and Lifelong Learning, were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers and by the Scottish Law Officers.

6. Agriculture Strategy: The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved S2M-4081—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Executive's commitment as set out in *A Forward Strategy for Scottish Agriculture: Next Steps* to secure a prosperous and sustainable farming industry in Scotland, focussed on producing food and other products for the market, contributing to sustainable rural development, protecting and enhancing the environment and contributing to improvements in animal health and welfare and human health and well-being, and approves the actions outlined in the strategy for achieving these objectives in partnership with other stakeholders.

Richard Lochhead moved amendment S2M-4081.4 to motion S2M-4081—

Leave out from “and approves” to end and insert—

“while approving many of the actions outlined in the strategy, regrets the lack of support and initiative from Ministers for the farmers' campaign to curb the power of the supermarkets and secure a more equitable trading relationship throughout the supply chain; calls for more effort to allow agriculture to compete on a level playing field by addressing the issue of inferior imports and costly red tape; further calls on Ministers to do more to promote locally produced food, especially through the use of public procurement, not only to boost the industry but to cut the number of food miles, and urges the Executive to accelerate the production of energy crops.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 49, Against 60, Abstentions 0).

Mr Ted Brocklebank moved amendment S2M-4081.1 to motion S2M-4081—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“notes the aims for the Scottish agricultural industry set out in *A Forward Strategy for Scottish Agriculture: Next Steps* and acknowledges that the vision outlined in that document is one with which we can all agree; notes that under Scottish Executive stewardship, Total Income from Farming statistics show that returns are down by 11% and average net farm incomes have fallen by 34%, indicating that the agricultural sector is beleaguered by uncertainty and despondency, and calls on the Executive to act to restore confidence to the sector in order to reverse the current trend of young people deserting the land.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 46, Against 61, Abstentions 3).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 68, Against 0, Abstentions 42).

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

8. Ship-to-Ship Oil Transfer: The Parliament debated S2M-4017 in the name of Robin Harper—That the Parliament notes with concern the application by Forth Ports plc and Melbourne Marine Services to introduce ship-to-ship (STS) transfer of Russian heavy crude oil at swinging anchorage in the Firth of Forth; recognises the unprecedented scale and nature of such operations and the pollution risks posed by their routine operation and possible accidental spillage; notes the very recent identification by the UK Government of marine environment high risk areas around the Scottish coastline, and notably the Forth estuary, as being most sensitive and highly vulnerable to accidents involving merchant shipping and in need of protection; further notes that the Firth of Forth is a Special Protection Area containing numerous conservation sites of national and European importance, and a Ramsar site of international designation; acknowledges the devastating impact on the economy and ecology of areas, such as the Forth, that could occur in the event of a heavy crude oil spill; recognises the opposition to the Forth proposal by Fife Council, the City of Edinburgh Council, East Lothian Council, Scottish Natural Heritage, the Scottish Environment Protection Agency, major environmental groups and agencies and local communities; expresses concern that any such proposal should be considered in the absence of either a UK or EU statutory regulatory framework for the control or monitoring of STS oil transfer operations along the Scottish coastline; notes that the current consultation by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency is not a full public consultation about the context or strategic merit of the Forth proposal, but is restricted to a discussion of Forth Ports' oil spill contingency plan, and considers that the Scottish Executive should use its powers, particularly under the EU Habitats Directive, to oppose the application for heavy oil transfer from ship to ship.

The meeting closed at 5.52 pm.

No. 61 Wednesday 15 March 2006

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

- 1. Time for Reflection:** Father Douglas Macmillan, St. Mirin's Cathedral, Paisley, led Time for Reflection.
- 2. Improving the Legislative Process:** The Parliament debated the subject of Improving the Legislative Process.
- 3. The Importance of Play:** The Parliament debated S2M-3890 in the name of Mr Kenneth Macintosh—That the Parliament welcomes calls from Play Scotland and Barnardo's for a play strategy that recognises the right of all children in East Renfrewshire and across Scotland to a safe, challenging and accessible play environment; is aware of the public and political concerns over levels of obesity, mental health problems and anti-social behaviour amongst children and young people; notes that lack of opportunity to play is a contributing factor to these problems; is concerned that traffic growth, loss of open space and fears over safety are further restricting play opportunities, and therefore believes that play should be supported with a vigour that reflects its importance.
- 4. Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4115—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 22 March 2006

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| 2.30 pm | Time for Reflection |
| <i>followed by</i> | Parliamentary Bureau Motions |
| <i>followed by</i> | Ministerial Statement: Scotland's Species |
| <i>followed by</i> | Final Stage Proceedings: Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill |
| <i>followed by</i> | Legislative Consent Motion: Legislative and Regulatory Reform Bill – UK Legislation |
| <i>followed by</i> | Business Motion |
| <i>followed by</i> | Parliamentary Bureau Motions |
| 5.00 pm | Decision Time |
| <i>followed by</i> | Members' Business |

Thursday 23 March 2006

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| 9.15 am | Parliamentary Bureau Motions |
| <i>followed by</i> | Executive Debate: Growing a Knowledge Economy |
| 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 Debate: Strategy for an Ageing Population
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Wednesday 29 March 2006	
2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Final Stage Proceedings: Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Thursday 30 March 2006	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish National Party Business
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning Justice and Law Officers;
2.55 pm	Executive Business
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-4105—That the Parliament agrees that the timetable for consideration of the Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be extended to 5 May 2006;

S2M-4106—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Crofting Reform etc. Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 30 June 2006; and

S2M-4107—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 8 September 2006.

The motions were agreed to.

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4108—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Renewable Obligations (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 80, Against 7, Abstentions 0).

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

8. Banffshire Partnership and Buchan Dial-a-Community Bus: The Parliament debated S2M-3882 in the name of Stewart Stevenson—That the Parliament congratulates the Banffshire Partnership and the Buchan Dial-a-Community Bus, who provide an essential transport service in areas with virtually no public transport; notes that transport problems faced by many people in rural communities lead to many forms of exclusion; further notes that at present the national concessionary travel scheme does not encompass transport outwith conventional services, and hopes that the formation of Transport Scotland will enable new ideas to be implemented to tackle the problem of rural transport.

The meeting closed at 5.45 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Transport and Telecommunications (Tavish Scott) made a statement and answered questions on an update on Major Public Transport Projects.

2. Appointment of the Scottish Parliamentary Standards Commissioner for a second period: John Scott, on behalf of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body, moved S2M-4095—That the Parliament agrees with the recommendation of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body under Rule 3A.1.2 of Standing Orders that Dr James Dyer should be appointed for a second period as the Scottish Parliamentary Standards Commissioner with effect from 1 April 2006.

Tommy Sheridan moved amendment S2M-4095.1 to motion S2M-4095—

Leave out from “agrees” to end and insert—

“does not, at this stage, agree with the recommendation of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body that Dr James Dyer should be appointed for a second period as Scottish Parliamentary Standards Commissioner and agrees that an independent investigation should be instigated into the transparency and accountability of the actions of the Standards Commissioner and the standards process.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 12, Against 77, Abstentions 12).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 67, Against 17, Abstentions 16).

3. Make Poverty History: The Parliament debated the subject of Make Poverty History.

4. General Question Time: Questions were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. First Minister’s Question Time: Questions were answered by the Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Nicol Stephen).

6. Themed Question Time: Questions on Finance and Communities and on Education, Tourism, Culture and Sport were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

7. European Commission Green Papers on Applicable Law in Divorce and Succession and Wills: Pauline McNeill, on behalf of the Justice 1 Committee, moved S2M-4088—That the Parliament notes the concerns raised by the Justice 1 Committee in relation to recent European Commission Green Paper proposals on applicable law in divorce and succession and wills;

agrees that the proposals are not in the best interests of the people of Scotland, and, in light of the Committee's views that these proposals are fundamentally flawed and unnecessary, calls on the Scottish Executive to urge the UK Government not to opt in to any draft European Community instruments which emerge following the conclusion of these consultation processes.

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

8. The Scottish Executive's Fresh Talent Initiative: Linda Fabiani, on behalf of the European and External Relations Committee, moved S2M-4110—That the Parliament notes the 4th Report 2005 (Session 2) of the European and External Relations Committee, *Report on an Inquiry into the Scottish Executive's Fresh Talent Initiative Examining the Problems It Aims to Address, Its Operation, Challenges and Prospects* (SP Paper 448).

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

9. Company Law Reform Bill - UK Legislation: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-4109—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Company Law Reform Bill, introduced in the House of Lords on 1 November 2005, which will legislate in devolved areas in respect of sole traders, accounting standards and audit for charitable companies and which will alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers to allow them to issue guidance to regulatory enforcers and to specify companies to be audited by the Auditor General for Scotland, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

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

10. Motion without Notice: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that motion S2M-4128 be taken at this meeting of Parliament.

The motion was agreed to.

11. Rule 2.7.2: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4128—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 2.7.2 that the Parliament shall meet in Committee Rooms 2 and 6 of the Parliament at Holyrood as recommended by the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body until 31 March 2006.

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 95, Against 2, Abstentions 2).

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

13. Commonwealth Day 2006: The Parliament debated S2M-4060 in the name of Dr Sylvia Jackson—That the Parliament recognises the valuable role

of the Commonwealth in strengthening relationships between nations across the world; welcomes the continued contribution of Scotland and its people to those relationships; reaffirms its support for the work of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA); notes that this year the CPA Scotland Branch and the Scottish Executive have, as a key focus, continued to develop relationships with Malawi; notes Scotland's longstanding work, particularly in the area of health, throughout the Commonwealth, and commends the theme of Commonwealth Day this year, "Health and Vitality – the Commonwealth Challenge", which highlights the relevance of health, as illustrated in the United Nations Millennium Development Goals.

The meeting closed at 5.58 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Reverend Martin Johnston, Priority Areas Worker for Church of Scotland, Glasgow, led Time for Reflection.

2. Motion without Notice: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that motion S2M-4165 be taken at this meeting of Parliament.

The motion was agreed to.

3. Motion of Condolence: Nicola Sturgeon moved S2M-4165—That the Parliament expresses its deep regret and sadness at the death of Margaret Ewing MSP; offers its sympathy and condolences to her family and friends, and recognises her widely appreciated contribution to Scottish politics and public life.

The motion was agreed to.

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved motion S2M-4151—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 22 March 2006—

Wednesday 22 March 2006

after,

followed by Final Stage Proceedings: Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill

delete,

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Legislative and Regulatory Reform Bill – UK Legislation

The motion was agreed to.

5. Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved motion S2M-4162—That the Parliament agrees that, during the Final Stage of the Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill, the debate on the final group of amendments will conclude no later than 30 minutes after the final stage proceedings commence.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Ministerial Statement: The Deputy Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Rhona Brankin) made a statement and answered questions on Scotland's Species.

7. Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill – Final Stage: The Bill was considered at Final Stage.

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, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29.

8. Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill – Final Stage: Bill Aitken, on behalf of the Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill Committee, moved S2M-3838—That the Parliament agrees that the Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 88, Against 20, Abstentions 0).

9. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved motion S2M-4161—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Wednesday 29 March 2006

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Final Stage Proceedings: Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill

followed by Business Motion

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 30 March 2006

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, Transport and Lifelong Learning;
Justice and Law Officers

2.55 pm Executive Debate: Curriculum Review and Qualifications

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 19 April 2006

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 April 2006

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—
Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport;
Finance and Public Services and Communities
2.55 pm Executive Business
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

(b) that the period for lodging First Minister's Questions for First Minister's Question Time on 20 April 2006 should end at 4.00 pm on Thursday 13 April;

(c) that the period for lodging First Minister's Questions for First Minister's Question Time on 4 May 2006 should end at 4.00 pm on Friday 28 April;

(d) that the period for lodging First Minister's Questions for First Minister's Question Time on 1 June 2006 should end at 5.00 pm on Thursday 25 May;
and

(e) that the period for members to submit their names for selection for Question Times on 20 April 2006 should end at 12.00 noon on Wednesday 29 March 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

10. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4152—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 15 September 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

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

S2M-4153—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Risk Assessment and Minimisation (Accreditation Scheme) (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved;

S2M-4154—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Civil Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 be approved;

S2M-4155—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 be approved;

S2M-4156—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Water Environment (Consequential and Savings Provisions) (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved;

S2M-4157—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Non-Domestic Rating (Electronic Communications) (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved; and

S2M-4158—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Valuation and Rating (Exempted Classes) (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

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

13. Lanarkshire United Health for All: The Parliament debated S2M-3944 in the name of Carolyn Leckie—That the Parliament notes NHS Lanarkshire's consultation, *A Picture of Health*; is concerned that the board has written off the status quo as "unsustainable" without giving the public the opportunity to make that judgement about their health service; believes that to consult on options which exclude the possibility of a community retaining emergency and planned services at their local hospital is no choice at all; questions the

rationale and evidence that the consultation is predicated on, such as whether planned capacity will be sufficient; is concerned that health inequalities will not be addressed and may indeed be perpetuated; recognises the growing anger of communities throughout Lanarkshire, and believes that the board and politicians alike have a duty to explore all options and strategies required to meet the needs of Lanarkshire's citizens and unite with them to secure full and equal health services for all.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Growing a Knowledge Economy: The Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Nicol Stephen) moved S2M-4163—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Executive’s record investment in further and higher education and recognises its significance in Scotland’s current and future economic growth with the sector’s focus on key issues including sustainable development, research and innovation, globalisation, productivity and skills.

Jim Mather moved amendment S2M-4163.2 to motion S2M-4163—

Insert at end—

“and now wishes to see that investment subjected to close scrutiny to identify its effectiveness in terms of growth, jobs and incomes under a process of independent statistical control that fosters an era of perpetual improvement and benchmarks Scotland’s performance against international competitors.”

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

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-4163.1 to motion S2M-4163—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

“notes the valuable contribution made by the further and higher education sectors to the Scottish economy, particularly their success in attracting overseas students; notes, however, the poor levels of knowledge transfer in the economy and that, although Scotland secured 17% of all UK patents, only 1.5% of GDP was invested in research and development and only 0.59% of this was successfully commercialised, and believes that a more competitive economic environment would encourage higher levels of commercial activity and help secure additional external funding for the sector.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 16, Against 74, Abstentions 21).

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 95, Against 16, Abstentions 0).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Executive’s record investment in further and higher education and recognises its significance in Scotland’s current and future economic growth with the sector’s focus on key issues including sustainable development, research and innovation, globalisation, productivity and skills and now wishes to see that investment subjected to close scrutiny to identify its effectiveness in terms of growth, jobs and incomes under a process of independent statistical control that fosters an era of perpetual improvement and benchmarks Scotland’s performance against international competitors.

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 Health and Community Care and on Environment and Rural Development were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Strategy for an Ageing Population: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-4164—That the Parliament acknowledges the changing age structure of Scotland's population and the benefits and opportunities it brings; values the enormous contribution of older people as volunteers, carers, workers and in many other ways; recognises the need to challenge stereotypes of older people and support them to contribute in ways which they choose; supports the further development of effective integrated services for older people, and welcomes the consultation and ongoing work currently being carried out to develop a Strategy for a Scotland with an Ageing Population.

Ms Sandra White moved amendment S2M-4164.1 to motion S2M-4164—

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

“notes, however, the injustice of charging for food preparation under the free personal care legislation, ageism, fuel poverty and associated excess winter deaths, the punitive council tax and the discredited basic state pension, all of which deprive our elderly population of independence, security and choice, and recognises that until Scotland has power over tax and benefits many of Scotland's pensioners will continue to live in poverty.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 33, Against 78, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to (DT).

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

7. Proposed Closure of Coldstream and Jedburgh Hospitals: The Parliament debated S2M-3921 in the name of Euan Robson—That the Parliament notes the contents of NHS Borders' consultation document, *Getting Fit for the Future*; believes that the preferred options for the closure of Coldstream and Jedburgh cottage hospitals manifestly do not command the confidence of the respective local communities; further believes that NHS Borders must take advantage of opportunities to redevelop both hospitals in conjunction with other statutory bodies, private providers and voluntary organisations in the spirit of Professor Kerr's report, *Building a Health Service Fit for the Future*, and the Scottish Executive's response to the report; congratulates the local action groups on their constructive approach to these

issues, and believes that the Executive should reject closure and require redesign of the proposals to redevelop these locally delivered NHS services.

The meeting closed at 5.48 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Reverend Graham S. Taylor, Rector of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Aberdeen, led Time for Reflection.

2. Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4204—That the Parliament agrees that, during the Final Stage of the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill, the debate on groups of amendments shall be brought to a conclusion by the time limit indicated (that time 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 - 35 minutes

Groups 5 to 7 - 1 hour and 25 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

3. 1st Report 2006 (Session 2) of the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill Committee, Appropriate Assessment on the Firth of Forth Special Protection Area: Jackie Baillie, on behalf of the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill Committee, moved S2M-4130—That the Parliament notes the 1st Report 2006 (Session 2) of the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill Committee, *Appropriate Assessment on the Firth of Forth Special Protection Area* (SP Paper 486), and agrees that the works proposed in the Bill will not adversely affect the integrity of the Firth of Forth Special Protection Area.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

4. Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill – Final Stage: The Bill was considered at Final Stage.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33.

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

- 8 (For 17, Against 79, Abstentions 0)
- 12 (For 14, Against 82, Abstentions 2)
- 13 (For 17, Against 80, Abstentions 1)
- 15A (For 14, Against 80, Abstentions 0)
- 15 (For 15, Against 81, Abstentions 0)

Amendment 14 was moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn.

The following amendments were not moved: 7, 16, 17 and 18.

5. Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill – Final Stage: Jackie Baillie, on behalf of the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill, moved S2M-4129—That the Parliament agrees that the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill be passed.

Margaret Smith moved amendment S2M-4129.1 to motion S2M-4129—

Leave out from “agrees” to end and insert—

“does not agree that the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill be passed because the tram route does not directly service the Western General Hospital.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 19, Against 81, Abstentions 2).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 84, Against 17, Abstentions 1).

6. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4200—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Thursday 30 March 2006—

Thursday 30 March 2006

delete,

2.55 pm Executive Debate: Curriculum Review

and after,

2.15 pm Themed Question Time—
Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning;
Justice and Law Officers

insert,

2.55 pm Ministerial Statement: Scottish Enterprise

followed by Executive Debate: Curriculum Review

The motion was agreed to.

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4203—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 19 April 2006

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by European and External Relations Committee Debate: European Commission's Legislative and Work Programme 2006

followed by Procedures Committee Debate: 2nd Report 2006: Procedures relating to Crown appointments

followed by Business Motion

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 20 April 2006

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Non-Executive Business

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 Executive Debate: Civil Justice Reform

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 26 April 2006

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Stage 3 Debate: Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Police and Justice Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Business Motion

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 27 April 2006

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
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

8. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4192—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the St Andrew's Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 30 June 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

9. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4193—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Tourist Boards (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 30 June 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

10. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4182—That the Parliament agrees that Robin Harper be appointed to replace Chris Ballance on the Procedures Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-4183—That the Parliament agrees that Mrs Nanette Milne be appointed to replace Bill Aitken as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Equal Opportunities Committee; and

S2M-4184—That the Parliament agrees that Bill Aitken be appointed to replace Miss Annabel Goldie as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Justice 1 Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

12. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4185—That the Parliament agrees that the Education Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

S2M-4186—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Community Justice Authorities (Establishment, Constitution and Proceedings) (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved;

S2M-4187—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Protection of Charities Assets (Exemption) (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved;

S2M-4188—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Charity Test (Specified Bodies) (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved;

S2M-4189—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved; and

The motions were agreed to (DT).

14. Approval of SSIs: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4190—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992 Modification Order 2006 be approved.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 82, Against 0, Abstentions 19).

15. Approval of SSIs: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4191—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to Scottish Ministers) (No.2) Order 2006 be approved.

The motion was agreed to.

16. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 3, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 as noted above.

17. 50th Anniversary of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award: The Parliament debated S2M-4068 in the name of Karen Whitefield—That the Parliament congratulates the Duke of Edinburgh's Award in its 50th anniversary year; recognises the contribution made by the organisations that operate the award and the exceptional number of hours of volunteering undertaken by leaders in supporting over 20,000 young people each year in Scotland; further recognises the efforts of participants in the volunteering section of the award and its wider benefits to communities across Scotland and across the world; acknowledges the contribution the award makes to promoting a healthy lifestyle to young people; recognises the benefits in terms of skills development, enterprise, teamwork and personal and social development; acknowledges the findings of recent research which indicated the tremendous

value placed by employers on the award programme, and looks forward to welcoming the International Forum and UK General Council to Edinburgh in November 2006.

The meeting closed at 5.45 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Congratulations Team Scotland: Michael Matheson moved S2M-4196—That the Parliament congratulates Team Scotland for winning 29 medals at the 18th Commonwealth Games in Melbourne, which is the largest number of medals ever won by a Scottish team at an overseas games; recognises that this success is due to the hard work and dedication of our athletes and coaching staff; believes that Team Scotland's success in Melbourne should act as a springboard to ensure even greater success for our sportsmen and women in the international sporting arena and will also inspire many young Scots to participate in sport; recognises that access to good sporting facilities plays a significant role in the development of our nation's sporting talent, and calls on the Scottish Executive to publish sportscotland's audit of local sports facilities to ensure that the necessary facilities are in place to develop our future sporting talent.

The Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Patricia Ferguson) moved amendment S2M-4196.2 to motion S2M-4196—

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

“and the valuable support provided by the Institute network, sportscotland and the World Class Performance Programme; believes that Team Scotland's success in Melbourne should act as a springboard to ensure even greater success for our sportsmen and women in the international sporting arena and will also inspire many young Scots to participate in sport; recognises the significant benefits to be gained for Scotland from London 2012 and a successful bid for Glasgow to host the Commonwealth Games in 2014; acknowledges that access to good sporting facilities plays a significant role in the development of our nation's sporting talent; welcomes the investment in facilities through the Executive's National and Regional Facilities Strategy which will provide a first-class setting for our elite and developing athletes and which can also be enjoyed by local communities, and welcomes the imminent publication of the reports on the audit of local facilities.”

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 80, Against 26, Abstentions 6).

Mr Jamie McGrigor moved amendment S2M-4196.1 to motion S2M-4196—

Insert at end—

“notes, however, the words of Simon Clegg, the Chief Executive of the British Olympic Association, who said that “the British Olympic Association...strongly believes that we are stronger collectively than as individual countries...Any distractions, dilution or further fragmentation of sport in the UK will seriously undermine the once in a lifetime opportunity British sport has to capitalise on the unique benefits of hosting an Olympic Games”, and therefore believes that there is a need to support both grass-roots sport infrastructure and elite athletes through the valuable work of the Scottish Institute of Sport which aims to change the culture and raise the ambitions and aspirations within sport in Scotland.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 96, Abstentions 0).

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 108, Against 2, Abstentions 2).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament congratulates Team Scotland for winning 29 medals at the 18th Commonwealth Games in Melbourne, which is the largest number of medals ever won by a Scottish team at an overseas games; recognises that this success is due to the hard work and dedication of our athletes and coaching staff and the valuable support provided by the Institute network, sportscotland and the World Class Performance Programme; believes that Team Scotland's success in Melbourne should act as a springboard to ensure even greater success for our sportsmen and women in the international sporting arena and will also inspire many young Scots to participate in sport; recognises the significant benefits to be gained for Scotland from London 2012 and a successful bid for Glasgow to host the Commonwealth Games in 2014; acknowledges that access to good sporting facilities plays a significant role in the development of our nation's sporting talent; welcomes the investment in facilities through the Executive's National and Regional Facilities Strategy which will provide a first-class setting for our elite and developing athletes and which can also be enjoyed by local communities, and welcomes the imminent publication of the reports on the audit of local facilities.

2. Bridge Tolls: Shona Robison moved S2M-4197—That the Parliament agrees that the tolls on the Tay bridge should be removed.

The Minister for Transport and Telecommunications (Tavish Scott) moved amendment S2M-4197.3 to motion S2M-4197—

Leave out from “agrees” to end and insert—

“notes the responses, analysis and conclusions set out in the recent consultation and review of Scotland's tolled bridges, including the Tay Road Bridge Joint Board's response; notes that the bridges review met all of the Board's requests, and recommends an examination of the economic, social and environmental impact and cost of retaining or removing tolls from the Tay and Forth bridges, on Fife and Dundee, the proposals for which will be reported on as soon as possible.”

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-4197.1 to motion S2M-4197—

Insert at end—

“and notes that in so doing the costs of relocating the toll plaza from the north end of the bridge to the south would be saved.”

Shiona Baird moved amendment S2M-4197.2 to motion S2M-4197—

Insert at end—

“for public transport in addition to the existing exemptions, that a scheme of “smart tolls” should be introduced, which takes into account factors such as occupancy levels and peak hour traffic flows, and that the Tay Road Bridge Joint Board should be given more flexibility to use toll revenues to deal with transport issues in the vicinity.”

After debate, amendment S2M-4197.3 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 63, Against 48, Abstentions 2). As a result, amendments S2M-4197.1 and S2M-4197.2 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 65, Against 45, Abstentions 3).

Accordingly, the Parliament agreed—That the Parliament notes the responses, analysis and conclusions set out in the recent consultation and review of Scotland’s tolled bridges, including the Tay Road Bridge Joint Board’s response; notes that the bridges review met all of the Board’s requests, and recommends an examination of the economic, social and environmental impact and cost of retaining or removing tolls from the Tay and Forth bridges, on Fife and Dundee, the proposals for which will be reported on as soon as possible.

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, Transport and Lifelong Learning, and on Justice and Law Officers were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers and by the Scottish Law Officers.

6. Ministerial Statement: The Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Nicol Stephen) made a statement and answered questions on Scottish Enterprise.

7. Curriculum Review: The Parliament debated the Curriculum Review.

8. Establishment of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4217—That the Parliament agrees to establish a committee of the Parliament as follows:

Name of Committee: Edinburgh Airport Rail Link Bill Committee;

Remit: To consider and report to the Parliament on the Edinburgh Airport Railway Link 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: Christine Grahame, Jamie McGrigor, Iain Smith, Scott Barrie, Mr Charlie Gordon.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 102, Against 10, Abstentions 1).

9. Rule 2.7.2: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4202—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 2.7.2 that the Parliament shall meet in Committee Rooms 2 and 6 of the Parliament at Holyrood as recommended by the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body until 21 April 2006.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2, 8 and 9 as noted above.

11. Post Office Card Accounts: The Parliament debated S2M-4101 in the name of Richard Lochhead—That the Parliament notes the recent announcement that Post Office Card Accounts are to be phased out by 2010; notes that this news has come as a shock to pension and benefits claimants in north-east Scotland, many of whom rely on the service especially where there are no local bank branches, as well as to Post Office staff who view the scheme as a vital service; believes that the phasing out of this service could put the future of some rural post offices in severe jeopardy and lead to many of these lifeline services being lost to communities already being stripped of other vital services; supports the National Federation of SubPostmasters' campaign to have Post Office Card Accounts retained, and considers that the Scottish Executive should make appropriate representations to the UK Government on behalf of Post Office Card Account users in Scotland.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. **Time for Reflection:** Reverend Rodger Neilson, Cruden Parish Church, Aberdeenshire, led Time for Reflection.
2. **Business Motion:** Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4249—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 19 April 2006—

Wednesday 19 April 2006

after,

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

delete,

followed by European and External Relations Committee Debate: European Commission's Legislative and Work Programme 2006

followed by Procedures Committee Debate: 2nd Report 2006: Procedures relating to Crown appointments

and insert,

followed by Members' Oaths/Affirmations - David Petrie and Maureen Watt

followed by Motion on Her Majesty The Queen's 80th Birthday

followed by European and External Relations Committee Debate: European Commission's Legislative and Work Programme 2006

followed by Nominations to the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)

The motion was agreed to.

3. **Oaths and Affirmations:** Mr Dave Petrie and Ms Maureen Watt took oaths of allegiance before the Clerk.

4. **The Queen's 80th Birthday:** The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) moved S2M-4240—That the Parliament congratulates Her Majesty the Queen on the occasion of her 80th birthday.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 83, Against 5, Abstentions 0).

5. **European and External Relations Committee, *The European Commission's Work Programme 2006*:** Linda Fabiani, on behalf of the European and External Relations Committee moved S2M-4221—That the

Parliament notes the European Commission's Legislative and Work Programme for 2006 and its importance for the work of the Parliament and its committees and to Scotland.

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

6. Nominations to the Economic and Social Committee of the European Union: The Deputy Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform and Parliamentary Business (Mr George Lyon) moved S2M-4238—That the Parliament endorses the Scottish Executive's proposal to nominate Mr Kenneth Fraser, nominated by CBI Scotland and the Institute of Directors Scotland, Mr Sandy Boyle, nominated by the STUC, and Ms Maureen O'Neill, nominated by the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations, to the UK delegation on the Economic and Social Committee of the European Union for the forthcoming mandate from September 2006 to September 2010.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 88, Against 0, Abstentions 4).

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4248—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 26 April 2006

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 3 Proceedings: Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 27 April 2006

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Executive Debate: Scottish Rural Development Plan
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: Scottish Historic Environment Policies
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Wednesday 3 May 2006	
2.00 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Procedures Committee Debate: 2nd Report 2006: Procedures relating to Crown appointments
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Financial Resolution: Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
Thursday 4 May 2006	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish Green Party Business
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Justice and Law Officers; Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning
2.55 pm	Stage 1 Debate: Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Financial Resolution: Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

8. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-4250—That the Parliament agrees that the timetable for consideration of the Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 5 May 2006; and

S2M-4251—That the Parliament agrees that the timetable for consideration of the Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 5 May 2006.

The motions were agreed to.

9. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4242—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Christmas Day and New Year's Day Trading (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4243—That the Parliament agrees that the Health Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

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

12. Supporters Direct in Scotland: The Parliament debated S2M-4080 in the name of Frank McAveety—That the Parliament recognises the work carried out by Supporters Direct in Scotland in promoting and supporting the concept of democratic supporter ownership and representation in Scottish football through mutual, not-for-profit structures; notes the role of Supporters Direct in Scotland in promoting football clubs as civic and community institutions and welcomes the development of Supporters Direct among Glasgow football clubs and across Scotland; further notes the contribution of Supporters Direct in Scotland to preserving the competitive values of football in Scotland through promoting the health of the game as a whole, and applauds Supporters Direct in Scotland's aim of helping people who wish to play a responsible part in the life of the football club they support through support, advice and information to groups of football supporters.

The meeting closed at 5.52 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Statutory Right to Drug Treatment and Rehabilitation: Ms Rosemary Byrne moved S2M-4252—That the Parliament notes the continuing social and human cost of drug misuse across Scotland and that past and current policy approaches have failed communities, drug users and their families miserably; regrets the fact that drug-related crime, premature death and family breakdowns continue to rise; believes that the predominant criminal justice-oriented approach to drug-misuse problems in Scotland is not only failing to address the problems but is actually counter-productive in diverting resources and attention away from treatment and rehabilitation; further believes that a predominantly social and health-led approach is now necessary and that a statutory right to a holistic treatment and care plan should be established within a seven-day period of seeking help and should include residential care where required; considers that the introduction of such a statutory right would not only lead to improved care for users and their families, but result in significant crime reduction within communities and subsequent net savings to the public purse; further considers that cannabis use in Scotland should be decriminalised but not encouraged, that debate on the legal status of other drugs must be promoted and that substitute prescription programmes, such as the provision of heroin or buprenorphine for treatment of appropriate users, should be introduced and supported across Scotland, and believes that significant investment in community and sporting facilities to tackle poverty and offer positive recreational activities to Scotland's young people is an essential but under-invested element of anti-drug abuse strategy.

The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved amendment S2M-4252.4 to motion S2M-4252—

Leave out from “notes” to end and insert—

“recognises that drug abuse destroys lives and tears families apart; believes that improved treatment and rehabilitation should be at the heart of our approach; further believes that there is need to help addicts to move towards a drug-free lifestyle by offering a range of interventions; welcomes the progress made but recognises that more needs to be done, particularly to make sure that treatment is linked to further support, and believes that early intervention is the most effective way of helping offenders and reducing drug-related crime.”

Stewart Stevenson moved amendment S2M-4252.3 to motion S2M-4252—

Leave out from “the continuing” to end and insert—

“that the cost to communities, drug addicts and their families, and the public purse of drug misuse remains unacceptably high; believes that a range of interventions must be available to addicts across Scotland that are tailored to their individual needs; encourages the Scottish Executive to give further support to efforts to recover assets from drug barons; recognises that drug abuse is primarily a health issue but that

intervention from the criminal justice system will often be the first opportunity for users to start on the road to recovery, and, in the absence of any compelling evidence, does not believe that any relaxation of the rules on drug misuse would do other than exacerbate current problems.”

Miss Annabel Goldie moved amendment S2M-4252.1 to motion S2M-4252—

Leave out from “the predominant” to end and insert—

“we need a drugs strategy which aims to reduce and ultimately eliminate drugs dependency in Scotland and that such a strategy should place an emphasis on early intervention and include a coherent education programme which prioritises abstinence, and further believes that there needs to be a radical change in the help offered to drug addicts, to provide counselling and rehabilitation rather than an over-reliance on methadone.”

Margo MacDonald moved amendment S2M-4252.2 to motion S2M-4252—

Leave out from “notes” to end and insert—

“regrets the continuing economic and social cost of alcohol and drug abuse across Scotland and calls on the Scottish Executive to establish a commission of investigation into such misuse.”

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 79, Against 6, Abstentions 19). As a result, amendments S2M-4252.3, S2M-4252.1 and S2M-4252.2 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to (DT).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament recognises that drug abuse destroys lives and tears families apart; believes that improved treatment and rehabilitation should be at the heart of our approach; further believes that there is need to help addicts to move towards a drug-free lifestyle by offering a range of interventions; welcomes the progress made but recognises that more needs to be done, particularly to make sure that treatment is linked to further support, and believes that early intervention is the most effective way of helping offenders and reducing drug-related crime.

2. Local Government Pensions: Colin Fox moved S2M-4253—That the Parliament notes with concern the Scottish Executive’s announcement on 17 January 2006 to abolish the Rule of 85 for members of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) in Scotland; recognises that the proposed changes will have a detrimental impact on many working people who support vital public services, often on low wages, in a wide range of occupations in Scotland, including workers in local government, the Environment Agency, police support, cleaning and waste companies, the voluntary sector, bus companies, higher education and others; notes that this decision means that LGPS members are denied the same rights and protections as members of other public sector pension schemes which have agreed to allow retirement at the age of 60 on a full pension; further notes recent comments made by EU Commissioners on this issue indicating that changes to the Rule of 85 would

not necessarily be a requirement under EU legislation and previous assurances given to COSLA and the relevant trade unions that the Rule of 85 for members of the LGPS in Scotland would be retained; recognises that members of the LGPS contribute to the scheme and want to ensure that there is a viable and sustainable future for it; further recognises that the financial standing of Scotland's LGPS is significantly healthier than schemes elsewhere in the UK and therefore calls for a distinctive approach, and further calls on the Executive to review and publish its legal advice regarding the Rule of 85 and to work with trade unions and COSLA to find a settlement which protects local government workers' pension rights.

The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved amendment S2M-4253.1 to motion S2M-4253—

Leave out from “with concern” to end and insert—

“the current issues surrounding the future of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS); recognises that these issues will impact on a wide range of public sector workers; recognises that members of the LGPS contribute to this scheme and want to ensure that there is a viable and sustainable future for it; notes that the correct manner for dealing with the consequences of any changes to the LGPS, or any disagreement in legal opinion in respect of it, is through open and fair discussion with trade unions, employers and the Scottish Public Pensions Agency, and therefore welcomes the decision of the trade unions to suspend strike action as a result of the constructive dialogue which is currently taking place.”

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 74, Against 26, Abstentions 3).

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 90, Against 2, Abstentions 11).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament notes the current issues surrounding the future of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS); recognises that these issues will impact on a wide range of public sector workers; recognises that members of the LGPS contribute to this scheme and want to ensure that there is a viable and sustainable future for it; notes that the correct manner for dealing with the consequences of any changes to the LGPS, or any disagreement in legal opinion in respect of it, is through open and fair discussion with trade unions, employers and the Scottish Public Pensions Agency, and therefore welcomes the decision of the trade unions to suspend strike action as a result of the constructive dialogue which is currently taking place.

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, and on Finance and Public Services and Communities were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

6. Civil Justice: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-4255—That the Parliament recognises that an effective and efficient civil justice system is a crucial part of the foundations of a peaceful and prosperous society and welcomes the commitment to undertake a programme of work to modernise civil law.

Mr Kenny MacAskill moved amendment S2M-4255.1 to motion S2M-4255—

Insert at end—

“and further notes that such a system, whilst being quick, efficient and just, must also be affordable and accessible to the ordinary citizen.”

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

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to (DT).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament recognises that an effective and efficient civil justice system is a crucial part of the foundations of a peaceful and prosperous society and welcomes the commitment to undertake a programme of work to modernise civil law and further notes that such a system, whilst being quick, efficient and just, must also be affordable and accessible to the ordinary citizen.

7. Membership of Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-4259—That the Parliament agrees that Bruce Crawford be appointed to the European and External Relations Committee;

S2M-4260—That the Parliament agrees that Ms Maureen Watt be appointed to replace Bruce Crawford on the Local Government and Transport Committee;

S2M-4261—That the Parliament agrees that Euan Robson be appointed to replace Mike Rumbles on the Health Committee; and

S2M-4262—That the Parliament agrees that Mr David Petrie be appointed to the Communities Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

8. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4258—That the Parliament agrees that

Ms Maureen Watt be appointed to replace Stewart Stevenson as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Subordinate Legislation Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Rule 2.7.2: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4254—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 2.7.2 that the Parliament shall meet in Committee Rooms 2 and 6 of the Parliament at Holyrood as recommended by the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body until 12 May 2006.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 96, Against 7, Abstentions 1).

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2, 6, 7 and 8 as noted above.

11. The Future Provision of Emergency and Unscheduled Care Services in Ayrshire and Arran: The Parliament debated S2M-4008 in the name of John Scott—That the Parliament notes the public consultation on the future provision of emergency and unscheduled care in Ayrshire, which closed in December 2005; expresses concern that this consultation only included options to downgrade the existing accident and emergency unit at Ayr Hospital, and expects NHS Ayrshire and Arran to abide by the spirit of the report, *Building a Health Service Fit for the Future*, by Professor David Kerr by listening to the views of both the public and health professionals in Ayrshire and taking full account of these views before reaching a decision on the future of accident and emergency care provision in the county.

The meeting closed at 5.46 pm.

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Ms Maariya Masud, Scottish Inter Faith Council, Glasgow, led Time for Reflection.

2. Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4295—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limit indicated, that 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 (other than a suspension following the first division in the Stage being called) or otherwise not in progress:

Groups 1 to 3: 1 hour and 20 minutes

Groups 4 to 6: 1 hour and 50 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

3. Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

Amendment 13 was agreed to without division.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

- 6 (For 40, Against 28, Abstentions 2)
- 9 (For 56, Against 18, Abstentions 0)
- 11 (For 65, Against 10, Abstentions 2)
- 2 (For 53, Against 22, Abstentions 2)
- 12 (For 61, Against 16, Abstentions 3)
- 3 (For 58, Against 17, Abstentions 2)
- 14 (For 64, Against 8, Abstentions 8)
- 15 (For 65, Against 6, Abstentions 7)
- 16 (For 66, Against 6, Abstentions 7)
- 17 (For 65, Against 5, Abstentions 7)
- 18 (For 66, Against 6, Abstentions 7)
- 19 (For 66, Against 6, Abstentions 7)
- 20 to 22 (For 66, Against 6, Abstentions 7)
- 23 to 31 (For 63, Against 9, Abstentions 5)

Amendment 4 was disagreed to (by division: For 19, Against 56, Abstentions 2)

Amendment 32 was moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn.

The following amendments were not moved: 5, 7, 8, 10 and 33.

4. Motion without Notice: Ms Margaret Curran moved, without notice, a motion under 9.8.5A to extend the time-limit for groups 4 to 6 by 20 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

5. Motion without Notice: Ms Margaret Curran moved, without notice, a motion under 9.8.5A to extend the time-limit for groups 4 to 6 by a further 10 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Motion without Notice: Brian Adam moved, without notice, a motion under Rule 9.8.5C that the remaining proceedings at Stage 3 be adjourned to a later day.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Motion without Notice: Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved, without notice, a motion under 11.2.4 of Standing Orders that Decision Time on Wednesday 26 April 2006 be taken at 5.12 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4293—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 3 May 2006

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Member's Oath/Affirmation
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Financial Resolution: Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 4 May 2006

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Scottish Green Party Business

11.40 am General Question Time

12 noon First Minister's Question Time

2.15 pm Themed Question Time—
Justice and Law Officers;
Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning

2.55 pm Stage 1 Debate: Local Electoral Administration and Registration
Services (Scotland) Bill
followed by Financial Resolution: Local Electoral Administration and
Registration Services (Scotland) Bill
followed by Police and Justice Bill Legislative Consent Motion – UK Legislation
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 10 May 2006

2.15 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Question Time
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Bill
followed by Business Motion
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 11 May 2006

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.

9. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4287—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 15 September 2006.

The motion was agreed to.

10. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4288—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Maximum Number of Part-Time Sheriffs (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Decision Time: The Parliament took a decision on item 10 as noted above.

12. 20th Anniversary of Nuclear Accident at Chernobyl: The Parliament debated S2M-4057 in the name of Des McNulty—That the Parliament notes that 26 April 2006 is the 20th anniversary of the nuclear accident at Chernobyl and that the cross-party International Development Group is holding a meeting on that date to observe the anniversary of the accident, learn lessons from the past and look to the future; reflects upon the terrible social and environmental legacy that this horrific accident left, and continues to leave, in Ukraine, Belarus, Russia and beyond; pays respect to the many people whose lives were lost following the explosion; acknowledges with sadness the implications for all those who continue to suffer ill-health caused by radiation poisoning today and the severe difficulties still faced by the communities worst affected; further notes that pollution from the accident affected countries as far away as Scotland, where it continues to leave an environmental legacy; strongly commends Scottish charities and civic organisations for their outstanding work in supporting individuals and affected communities, and recognises the need to take national and international action to avoid any possibility of future environmental catastrophes such as the Chernobyl nuclear accident ever being repeated.

The meeting closed at 5.56 pm.

No. 70 Thursday 27 April 2006

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Scottish Rural Development Plan: The Parliament debated the Scottish Rural Development Plan.

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. The New Scottish Historic Environment Policy Series: The Parliament debated The New Scottish Historic Environment Policy Series.

6. Wanlockhead Museum Trust and Museum of Lead Mining: The Parliament debated S2M-3933 in the name of Alasdair Morgan—That the Parliament notes that 2006 is the 250th anniversary of the founding of Wanlockhead Miners' Library, established by the lead miners as part of their educational and cultural activity and now under the care of the Wanlockhead Museum Trust; recognises that the award-winning museum itself is a unique monument to industrial workers in the Lowther Hills, as well as being a valuable economic asset to today's economy, and believes that the Scottish Executive should act to ensure that arrangements are in place so that the museum's trustees can plan for the future with some degree of certainty instead of encountering the intermittent financial uncertainty which, on occasion, threatens the very existence of the museum.

The meeting closed at 5.44 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Time for Reflection: Bhai Sahib Mohinder Singh led Time for Reflection.

2. Oaths and Affirmations: Richard Lochhead took the affirmation of allegiance before the Clerk.

3. Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill – Stage 1: The Deputy Minister for Education and Young People (Robert Brown) moved S2M-3908—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 69, Against 18, Abstentions 25).

4. Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill: Financial Resolution: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-3948—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in paragraph 3(b)(ii) of Rule 9.12 of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 70, Against 21, Abstentions 24).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4326—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 10 May 2006

2.15 pm	Time for Reflection
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Question Time
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Stage 3 Proceedings: Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Bill
<i>followed by</i>	Housing Corporation (Delegation) etc. Bill Legislative Consent Motion – UK Legislation
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motion
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 11 May 2006

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—
Finance and Public Services and Communities;
Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport

2.55 pm Executive Debate: Drugs and Hidden Harm
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 17 May 2006

2.00 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Stage 1 Debate: Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by Financial Resolution: Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by Business Motion
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.30 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 18 May 2006

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

The motion was agreed to.

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

S2M-4319—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (Commencement No.2 and Consequential Provisions) (Scotland) Order 2006 be approved; and

S2M-4320—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Joint Inspections (Scotland) Regulations 2006 be approved.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

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

8. Funding the Voluntary Sector: The Parliament debated S2M-4284 in the name of Donald Gorrie—That the Parliament is concerned about the funding problems faced by many voluntary organisations, including groups involved in youth work, caring, and advice and support-giving services in Central Scotland, to which the general method of public funding contributes, with its over-emphasis on funding mainly innovative projects for no longer than three years; welcomes some useful funding initiatives by the Scottish Executive and local authorities, imaginative new ways of deciding on the distribution of funding set up by the Big Lottery Fund and other grant givers, some progress towards better targeted funding of community enterprises and the social economy, and full cost recovery in project funding; believes, however, that the funding system should concentrate first on providing successful voluntary organisations with continued core funding, guaranteed so long as a group fulfils its remit of public benefit, and second on providing continuing funding for proven successful projects rather than insisting that projects have to be reinvented to claim that they are innovative, and considers that the Executive, local authorities, other public and charitable grant-giving bodies and the Big Lottery Fund should co-operate in developing policies along these lines.

The meeting closed at 6.01 pm.

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Replacement of Trident: Chris Ballance moved S2M-3866—That the Parliament believes that the United Kingdom should not seek to replace the Trident nuclear missile system; notes that in 2005 the UK Government reaffirmed its commitment to all its obligations under the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty 1967 (NPT), including its legally binding obligation to negotiate nuclear disarmament in good faith; agrees with the legal opinion of Rabinder Singh QC and Professor Christine Chinkin of Matrix Chambers on 19 December 2005 that any replacement of the Trident system would constitute a material breach of Article VI of the NPT, and calls on the Scottish Executive to seek an early assurance from the UK Government that it will fully comply with our legal obligations in respect of the NPT and that it will not seek to replace the Trident nuclear missile system with another weapon system of mass destruction.

Jackie Baillie moved amendment S2M-3866.4 to motion S2M-3866—

Leave out from “believes” to end and insert—

“notes that in 2005 the UK Government reaffirmed its commitment to all its obligations under the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty 1967; notes the commitment of all three major UK parties to retain an independent nuclear deterrent; notes the comments of the UK Government that no decisions on replacing Trident have yet been taken; believes there should be the fullest possible public debate on any decision to replace the Trident nuclear weapons system, considering all possible options including non-replacement; notes the significant reductions in the United Kingdom’s nuclear weapons arsenal; is committed to the goal of the global elimination of nuclear, biological and chemical weapons, and wishes to see the United Kingdom continue to work both bilaterally and through the United Nations to urge states not yet party to non-proliferation instruments to become so, to remain committed to the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty and to make further progress toward significant reductions in the nuclear arsenals of the major nuclear powers.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 44, Against 65, Abstentions 6).

Bruce Crawford moved amendment S2M-3866.1 to motion S2M-3866—

Insert at end—

“and believes that the best way to ensure that nuclear weapons are removed from Scotland is for Scotland to become an independent nation.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 32, Against 82, Abstentions 1).

Phil Gallie moved amendment S2M-3866.2 to motion S2M-3866—

Leave out from “that the United Kingdom” to end and insert—

“it essential that the United Kingdom should continue to play a full and effective role in the world and in NATO and that to do that requires the continuation of an effective defence capacity; notes that as long as other countries have nuclear weapons it is essential that Britain has the capacity to address that threat; supports the principle of replacing or updating the current Trident system with a successor generation nuclear deterrent when necessary; believes that there should be an objective of multilateral global nuclear disarmament, and further believes that, however, that objective can only safely be achieved by ensuring that no rogue dictatorships have the capacity to use nuclear weaponry unchallenged.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 14, Against 100, Abstentions 1).

Euan Robson moved amendment S2M-3866.3 to motion S2M-3866—

Leave out from “believes” to end and insert—

“wishes to see the worldwide elimination of nuclear weapons; notes the UK Government’s commitment, made in June 2005, to reach a decision on the replacement of the Trident system by the end of the current Westminster Parliament; further notes that the Secretary of State for Defence stated in June 2005 the “no decision on any replacement for Trident has been taken, either in principle or otherwise”; calls on the UK Government to publish a White Paper on the issue in order to stimulate a full public debate; further calls on the UK Government to press for a new round of multilateral arms reduction talks, and believes that the UK’s current minimum nuclear deterrent should be retained for the foreseeable future until sufficient progress has been made towards the global elimination of nuclear weapons.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 18, Against 97, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 38, Against 73, Abstentions 4).

2. Pledge Against New Nuclear Power Stations in Scotland: Shiona Baird moved S2M-4329—That the Parliament notes the interim report of the Committee on Radioactive Waste Management (CoRWM) which states “CoRWM takes no position on the desirability or otherwise of nuclear new build. We believe that future decisions on new build should be subject to their own assessment process”; further notes that government advisors on sustainable development have reported that there are issues other than waste management that should rule out new nuclear power, including risk of accident, terrorist threat, security of supply, economic cost and the availability of safe, clean and economic renewable energy and energy efficiency measures; recognises the opposition to nuclear new build in Scotland by the Green, SNP, SSP and Liberal Democrat parties; notes in particular that Nicol Stephen MSP recently stated “The Liberal Democrats have a tough, clear and consistent position across the UK....We oppose new nuclear power.... the Liberal Democrats remain determined to oppose this year, next year and every year”, and calls on all political parties opposed to new nuclear power stations in Scotland to pledge that they will not be part of, or support, a

Scottish Executive that allows new nuclear power stations to be built, even if the issue of nuclear waste management may be considered to have been resolved.

The Deputy Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved amendment S2M-4329.3 to motion S2M-4329—

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

“appreciates the work of the Committee on Radioactive Waste Management; welcomes the position statement on its draft recommendations published by the committee on 27 April 2006; agrees that the review of options for the long-term management of radioactive waste, currently being undertaken by the committee, is the correct means of engaging Scotland on the crucial issue of finding a long-term management option for higher activity radioactive waste, and notes the Executive’s position, as outlined in the Partnership Agreement, that it will not support the further development of nuclear power stations while waste management issues remain unresolved.”

Richard Lochhead moved amendment S2M-4329.2 to motion S2M-4329—

Insert at end—

“and therefore agrees that no nuclear power stations should be built in Scotland.”

Alex Johnstone moved amendment S2M-4329.1 to motion S2M-4329—

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

“believes that Scotland needs a balanced energy policy to meet the energy needs of the nation, including a mixture of generation from a range of technologies, including coal, oil, gas, renewables and nuclear; further believes that our energy policy must support sustainable economic growth while simultaneously fighting against fuel poverty, and believes that the decisions on the future make-up of our energy provision, which should include a nuclear component, need to be made now.”

After debate, amendment S2M-4329.3 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 49, Abstentions 0). As a result, amendments S2M-4329.2 and S2M-4329.1 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 46, Abstentions 0).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament appreciates the work of the Committee on Radioactive Waste Management; welcomes the position statement on its draft recommendations published by the committee on 27 April 2006; agrees that the review of options for the long-term management of radioactive waste, currently being undertaken by the committee, is the correct means of engaging Scotland on the crucial issue of finding a long-term management option for higher activity radioactive waste, and notes the Executive’s position, as outlined in the Partnership Agreement, that it will not support the further development of nuclear power stations while waste management issues remain unresolved.

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, Transport and Lifelong Learning were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers and by the Scottish Law Officers.

6. Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Deputy Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform and Parliamentary Business (George Lyon) moved S2M-4272—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill.

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

7. Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution: The Deputy Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform and Parliamentary Business (George Lyon) moved S2M-4222—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill, agrees to—

- (a) any increase in expenditure of a kind referred to in paragraph 3(b)(iii) of Rule 9.12 of the Parliament's Standing Orders; and
- (b) any charges or payments in relation to which paragraph 4 of that Rule applies, arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Police and Justice Bill - UK Legislation: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-4317—That the Parliament agrees that the UK Parliament should consider those provisions of the Police and Justice Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 25 January 2006, which will legislate in devolved areas in respect of the abolition of the Police Information Technology Organisation and the establishment of the National Policing Improvement Agency and the Justice, Community Safety and Custody Inspectorate, and computer misuse, and which will alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers on extradition matters, as laid out in LCM(S2) 4.1.

Mr David Davidson moved amendment S2M-4317.1 to motion S2M-4317—

Insert at end—

“but, in doing so, expresses serious concerns over the ambiguity of the status of an extradition request in respect of a person domiciled in Scotland against whom the Lord Advocate has decided not to proceed; notes that the United States of America has not, over a period of some three years, ratified the bilateral extradition treaty with the United Kingdom, and accordingly, in the interest of equality between nations and recognising the distinctive nature of the Scottish legal system and the need to protect the civil liberties and human rights of those living in Scotland, urges the Minister for Justice to make representations to the UK Government based upon these concerns.”

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

The motion, as amended, was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 101, Against 6, Abstentions 7).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament agrees that the UK Parliament should consider those provisions of the Police and Justice Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 25 January 2006, which will legislate in devolved areas in respect of the abolition of the Police Information Technology Organisation and the establishment of the National Policing Improvement Agency and the Justice, Community Safety and Custody Inspectorate, and computer misuse, and which will alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers on extradition matters, as laid out in LCM(S2) 4.1 but, in doing so, expresses serious concerns over the ambiguity of the status of an extradition request in respect of a person domiciled in Scotland against whom the Lord Advocate has decided not to proceed; notes that the United States of America has not, over a period of some three years, ratified the bilateral extradition treaty with the United Kingdom, and accordingly, in the interest of equality between nations and recognising the distinctive nature of the Scottish legal system and the need to protect the civil liberties and human rights of those living in Scotland, urges the Minister for Justice to make representations to the UK Government based upon these concerns.

9. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4338—That the Parliament agrees that Richard Lochhead be appointed to the Environment and Rural Development Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4339—That the Parliament agrees that Richard Lochhead be appointed as the Scottish National Party substitute on the European and External Relations Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Motion without Notice: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that S2M-4351 be taken at this meeting of Parliament.

The motion was agreed to.

12. Meetings of the Parliament: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-4351—That the Parliament agrees that the Parliament shall return to meeting in the Debating Chamber of the Parliament at Holyrood from 10 May 2006.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 as noted above.

14. Strathaven Academy: The Parliament debated S2M-4103 in the name of Margaret Mitchell—That the Parliament congratulates Strathaven Academy on its selection to represent central Scotland at the Youth Forum to be held at the Scottish Parliament on 7 and 8 May 2006; recognises the excellent extra-curricular activities currently offered at Strathaven Academy; expresses concern that these activities will be curtailed during the proposed decant of the school to Crosshouse Campus in East Kilbride whilst a new school is built on the existing Strathaven Academy site; expresses further concern at reports of asbestos being present on the Crosshouse Campus; notes that no consultation has been held regarding the possibility of locating Strathaven Academy on a new site, and considers that South Lanarkshire Council should enter into a consultation, which should include the option to consider locating the school on an alternative site which would enable the Scottish Executive's target of two hours of physical education per pupil per week by 2008 to be met.

The meeting closed at 5.45 pm.

BILLS INTRODUCED

The following Bills were introduced on the dates shown—

10 May 2005

Transport (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 28A) (Executive Bill)

19 May 2005

St Andrew's Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to establish a bank holiday for St Andrew's Day. (SP Bill 41) (Member's Bill)

Introduced by: Dennis Canavan

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 41-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 41-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

26 May 2005

Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 29B) (Executive Bill)

2 June 2005

Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 30B) (Executive Bill)

14 June 2005

Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 33A) (Executive Bill)

17 June 2005

Environmental Levy on Plastic Bags (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to provide for a levy on the provision of plastic bags to customers; to provide for the levy to be used by local authorities for environmental purposes; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 43) (Member's Bill)

Introduced by: Mike Pringle

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 43-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 43-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

30 June 2005

Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 33B) (Executive Bill).

12 September 2005

Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision (including provision for the purposes of section 39 of the Scotland Act 1998) about the registration and declaration of interests of members of the Scottish Parliament and the prohibition of advocacy by such members in return for payment or benefit in kind; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 44) (Committee Bill)

Introduced by: Brian Adam (on behalf of the Standards and Public Appointments Committee)

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 44-EN) were printed to accompany the Bill.

14 September 2005

Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 38A) (Executive Bill)

27 September 2005

Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 39A) (Executive Bill)

28 September 2005

Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make further provision for the involvement of parents in their children's education and in school education generally; to provide for the establishment of councils to represent the parents of pupils attending public schools; to abolish School Boards; to make further provision as regards the appointment of headteachers and deputy headteachers; to make further provision as regards the content of the development plan for a school; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 45) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Peter Peacock
Supported by: Robert Brown

30 September 2005

Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make further provision about the police; to make further provision about public order and safety; to make further provision about criminal justice; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 46) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Cathy Jamieson
Supported by: Hugh Henry

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 46-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 46-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

Explanatory Notes to the Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill—A corrected version of the Explanatory Notes has been printed. (SP Bill 47-EN (Revised)) (Executive Bill)

Licensing (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 37A) (Executive Bill)

Explanatory Notes to the Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill—A corrected version of the Explanatory Notes has been printed. (SP Bill 47-EN (Revised)) (Executive Bill)

5 October 2005

Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to amend the Animal Health Act 1981, including by making provision for preventing the spread of disease; to make provision for the welfare of animals, including for prevention of harm; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 47) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Ross Finnie

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 47-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 47-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

7 October 2005

Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to provide for the appointment and functions of the Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights. (SP Bill 48) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Cathy Jamieson
Supported by: Robert Brown

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 48-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 48-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

28 October 2005

Joint Inspection of Children's Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision for the carrying out of joint inspections of the provision of services to children; and to make provision as to the appointment of persons to act as social work inspectors and their functions. (SP Bill 49) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Peter Peacock
Supported by: Robert Brown, Mr Andy Kerr

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 49-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 49-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

2 November 2005

Housing (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 40A) (Executive Bill)

3 November 2005

Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 39B) (Executive Bill)

9 November 2005

Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 38B) (Executive Bill)

16 November 2005

Licensing (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 37B) (Executive Bill)

21 November 2005

Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to amend the law of sequestration and personal insolvency; to amend the law about floating charges; to establish a Scottish Civil Enforcement Commission and replace officers of court with messengers of court; to amend the law of diligence; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 50) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Nicol Stephen

Supported by: Allan Wilson

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 50-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 50-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

24 November 2005

Housing (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 40B) (Executive Bill)

15 December 2005

Family Law (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 36B) (Executive Bill)

19 December 2005

Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make further provision relating to town and country planning; to make provision for business improvement districts; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 51) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Malcolm Chisholm

Supported by: Johann Lamont

Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision in relation to the administration and conduct of local government elections; to reorganise local registration services; to amend the law in relation to the registration of births and deaths and the procedure in relation to marriages and civil partnerships; to provide for the recording of certain events occurring outwith Scotland in relation to persons who have a Scottish connection; to make available certain information and records held by the Registrar General; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 52) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Mr Tom McCabe
Supported by: George Lyon

17 January 2006

Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 42A) (Executive Bill)

31 January 2006

Glasgow Airport Rail Link Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to authorise the construction of a railway from a point east of Paisley St James Station to Glasgow Airport and to make improvements in the existing railway between Paisley St James Station and Glasgow Central Station; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 54) (Private Bill)

Introduced by: Strathclyde Passenger Transport Executive

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 54-EN) and a Promoter's Memorandum (SP Bill 54-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

2 February 2006

Human Tissue (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 42B) (Executive Bill).

9 February 2006

Budget (Scotland) (No.3) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 53A) (Executive Bill)

27 February 2006

Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision as to bail in criminal proceedings; to reform certain aspects of summary criminal procedure; to make provision in relation to solemn criminal procedure; to make provision as to maximum penalties in the summary criminal courts; to make provision for the purpose of compensation orders in favour of victims of offences; to make provision for and in relation to alternatives to prosecution; to make provision as to enforcement of financial penalties for offences; to make provision establishing the JP court and for disestablishing the district court; to provide for the

inspection of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 55) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Cathy Jamieson

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 55-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 55-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

1 March 2006

Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to establish the Scottish Legal Complaints Commission; to make provision as regards complaints against members of the legal profession in Scotland and other matters concerning the regulation of that profession; to make provision in connection with the administration of the Scottish Legal Aid Fund, including a register of advisers in connection with advice and assistance; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 56) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Cathy Jamieson

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 56-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 56-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

2 March 2006

Crofting Reform etc. Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make further provision as regards crofting and as regards the Scottish Land Court; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 57) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Ross Finnie

Supported by: Rhona Brankin

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 57-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 57-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

16 March 2006

Edinburgh Airport Rail Link Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to authorise the construction of new railways to link Edinburgh Airport to the national rail network; to make provision concerning planning agreements and developer contributions relating to the railway; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 58) (Private Bill)

Introduced by: tie Limited

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 58-EN) and a Promoter's Memorandum (SP Bill 58-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

20 March 2006

Christmas Day and New Year's Day Trading (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to prohibit the opening of large shops on

Christmas Day and New Year's Day for the purpose of retail trading. (SP Bill 59) (Member's Bill)

Introduced by: Karen Whitefield

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 59-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 59-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

Tourist Boards (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to rename the Scottish Tourist Board, to increase the maximum number of members of that body and to abolish area tourist boards (SP Bill 60) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Patricia Ferguson

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 60-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 60-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

27 March 2006

Adoption and Children (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to restate and amend the law relating to adoption; to make other provision in relation to the care and possession of children; to enable provision to be made in relation to allowances for the fostering of children; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 61) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Peter Peacock

Supported by: Robert Brown

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 61-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 61-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

29 March 2006

Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed. (SP Bill 17A) (Private Bill)

Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 47A) (Executive Bill)

30 March 2006

Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision for the purposes of protecting adults from abuse; to require the establishment of committees with functions relating to the safeguarding of adults who are at risk of abuse; to amend the law relating to incapable adults; to remove an individual's liability for expenses incurred by councils in performing certain functions in relation to the individual's spouse or child; to allow the Scottish Ministers to delegate their functions relating to councils' duty to pay sums for the purposes of securing community care services; to make provision entitling a council to recover expenses incurred in providing social services to persons who are not

ordinarily resident in the council's area; to allow the Public Guardian to intervene in court proceedings; to adjust the circumstances in which extensions of orders authorising compulsory treatment of mentally disordered persons must be reviewed; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 62) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Mr Andy Kerr

Supported by: Lewis Macdonald

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 62-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 62-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

31 March 2006

Health Board Elections (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision for local public elections to Health Boards in Scotland; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 63) (Member's Bill)

Introduced by: Bill Butler

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 63-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 63-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

18 April 2006

Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 46A) (Executive Bill)

19 April 2006

Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 45A) (Executive Bill)

26 April 2006

Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 3. (SP Bill 44B) (Committee Bill)

The following Bill was withdrawn on the date shown—

21 July 2005

Prohibition of Smoking in Regulated Areas (Scotland) Bill—The Bill, introduced on 3 February 2004, was withdrawn by Stewart Maxwell. (SP Bill 20) (Member's Bill)

SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION

1. Affirmative Instruments

The following instruments were laid in draft before the Parliament for approval by resolution—

23 May 2005

The Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 (Consequential Modifications and Amendments) Order 2005

laid under section 88(4) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

25 May 2005

The Dentists Act 1984 (Amendment) Order 2005

laid under section 62(9) of the Health Act 1999

23 June 2005

The Mental Health (Absconding by mentally disordered offenders) (Scotland) Regulations 2005

laid under section 326(4) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

The Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 (Modification of Enactments) Order 2005

laid under section 326(4)(b) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

The Mental Health (Use of Telephones) (Scotland) Regulations 2005—

The Mental Health (Safety and Security) (Scotland) Regulations 2005—

The Mental Health (Cross-border transfer: patients subject to detention requirement or otherwise in hospital) (Scotland) Regulations 2005—

laid under section 326(4)(c) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

Note: The draft Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 (Modification of Enactments) Order 2005, laid before the Parliament on 23 June 2005, was withdrawn on 25 July 2005

The draft Mental Health (Safety and Security) (Scotland) Regulations 2003, laid before the Parliament on 23 June 2005, was withdrawn on 3 August 2005

The draft Mental Health (Cross-border transfer: patients subject to detention requirement or otherwise in hospital) (Scotland) Regulations 2005, laid before the Parliament on 23 June 2005, was withdrawn on 12 August 2005

The Advice and Assistance (Assistance by way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005

laid under section 37(2) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

28 June 2005

The Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Offensive Weapons) (Scotland) Order 2005
laid under section 141(3) of the Criminal Justice Act 1988

1 July 2005

The Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003
(Amendment of Specified Authorities) Order 2005—
The Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003
(Treatment of Office or Body as Specified Authority) Order 2005—
laid under section 18(4) of the Public Appointments and Public Bodies
etc. (Scotland) Act 2003

12 August 2005

The Mental Health (Safety and Security) (Scotland) Regulations 2005
laid under section 326(4)(c) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment)
(Scotland) Act 2003

17 August 2005

The Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 (Modification of
Enactments) Order 2005
laid under section 326(4)(b) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment)
(Scotland) Act 2003

19 August 2005

The Mental Health (Cross-border transfer: patients subject to detention
requirement or otherwise in hospital) (Scotland) Regulations 2005
laid under section 326(4)(c) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment)
(Scotland) Act 2003

23 September 2005

The Transfer of Rail Functions To The Scottish Ministers Order 2005
laid under section 52(3) of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2005

30 September 2005

The Transfer of Rail Functions to the Scottish Ministers Order 2005
laid under section 52(3) of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2005

19 October 2005

The Civil Partnership Act 2004 (Consequential Amendments) (Scotland)
Order 2005

laid under section 259(9)(b) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004

*Note: The draft Civil Partnership Act 2004 (Consequential Amendments)
(Scotland) Order 2005, laid on 19 October 2005, was withdrawn on the same
day.*

The Regional Transport Partnerships (Establishment, Constitution and Membership) (Scotland) Order 2005
laid under section 52(3) of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2005

25 October 2005

The Civil Partnership (Jurisdiction and Recognition of Judgments) (Scotland) Regulations 2005
laid under section 219(7) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004

27 October 2005

The Victim Statements (Prescribed Courts) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2005
laid under section 88(2) of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003

28 October 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.14) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/529)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

2 November 2005

The Civil Partnership Act 2004 (Consequential Amendments) (Scotland) Order 2005
laid under section 259(8)(b) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004

The Fundable Bodies (Scotland) Order 2005
laid under section 34(4) of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005

9 November 2005

The Scotland Act 1998 (Modifications of Schedule 5) (No.3) Order 2005
laid under section 115 of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 7 to, the Scotland Act 1998

Note: The Scotland Act 1998 (Modifications of Schedule 5) (No.3) Order 2005, which was laid in draft before the Parliament on 9 November 2005, was withdrawn on 29 November 2005

The Contaminated Land (Scotland) Regulations 2005
laid under section 36(6) of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003

The Private Landlord Registration Modification (Scotland) Order 2005
laid under section 141 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004

17 November 2005

The Student Fees (Specification) (Scotland) Order 2005

laid under section 9(13) of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005

29 November 2005

The Scotland Act 1998 (Modifications of Schedule 5) Order 2006
laid under section 115 of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 2 to, the Scotland Act 1998

1 December 2005

The Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004 (Modification of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978) Order 2005
laid under section 7(5) of the Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004

Note: The Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004 (Modification of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978) Order 2006, which was laid before the Parliament on 1 December 2005 was withdrawn on 9 December 2005.

6 December 2005

The Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2006
laid under section 115 of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 7 to, the Scotland Act 1998

7 December 2005

The Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (Licensing of Skin Piercing and Tattooing) Order 2006

laid under section 44(3) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982

Note: The Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (Licensing of Skin Piercing and Tattooing) Order 2006, which was laid before the Parliament on 7 December 2005, was withdrawn on 9 December 2005.

9 December 2005

The Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004 (Modification of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978) Order 2006
laid under section 7(5) of the Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004

The Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (Licensing of Skin Piercing and Tattooing) Order 2006

laid under section 44(3) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982

14 December 2005

The Budget (Scotland) Act 2005 Amendment Order 2006

laid under section 7(2) of the Budget (Scotland) Act 2005

Note: The Budget (Scotland) Act 2005 Amendment Order 2006, which was laid before the Parliament on 14 December 2005, was withdrawn on 19 December 2005

15 December 2005

The Police Act 1997 Amendment (Scotland) Order 2006
laid under section 172(8) of the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act
2005

19 December 2005

The Budget (Scotland) Act 2005 Amendment Order 2006
laid under section 7(2) of the Budget (Scotland) Act 2005

23 December 2005

The Prohibition of Smoking in Certain Premises (Scotland) Regulations 2006
laid under section 40(3) of the Smoking, Health and Social Care
(Scotland) Act 2005

13 January 2006

The Transfer of Functions from the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority
and the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Executive to the West of Scotland
Transport Partnership Order 2006—
The National Bus Travel Concession Scheme for Older and Disabled Persons
(Scotland) Order 2006—
laid under section 52(3) of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2005

26 January 2006

The Budget (Scotland) Act 2005 Amendment (No. 2) Order 2006
laid under section 7(2) of the Budget (Scotland) Act 2005

2 February 2006

The Renewables Obligation (Scotland) Order 2006
laid under section 32(9) of the Electricity Act 1989

3 February 2006

The Risk Assessment and Minimisation (Accreditation Scheme) (Scotland)
Order 2006
laid under section 88(2) of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003

16 February 2006

The Civil Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 2006—
The Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations
2006—
laid under section 37(2) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

The Water Environment (Consequential and Savings Provisions) (Scotland)
Order 2006

laid under section 36(6) of the Water Environment and Water Services
(Scotland) Act 2003

The Community Justice Authorities (Establishment, Constitution and Proceedings) (Scotland) Order 2006
laid under section 3(25)(a) of the Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Act 2005

The Protection of Charities Assets (Exemption) (Scotland) Order 2006—
The Charity Test (Specified Bodies) (Scotland) Order 2006—
laid under section 103(5) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005

The Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2006
laid under section 10(2) of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974

The Non-Domestic Rating (Electronic Communications) (Scotland) Order 2006
laid under section 9(4) and (7) of the Electronic Communications Act 2000

17 February 2006

The Valuation and Rating (Exempted Classes) (Scotland) Order 2006
laid under section 1(7) of the Valuation and Rating (Exempted Classes) (Scotland) Act 1976

20 February 2006

The Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992 Modification Order 2006
laid under section 103(5) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005

23 February 2006

The Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to Scottish Ministers) (No. 2) Order 2006
laid under section 115 of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 7 to, the Scotland Act 1998

15 March 2006

The Joint Inspections (Scotland) Regulations 2006
laid under section 6(4) of the Joint Inspection of Children's Services and Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Act 2006

16 March 2006

The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (Commencement No. 2 and Consequential Provisions) (Scotland) Order 2006
laid under section 122(9) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004

The Maximum Number of Part-Time Sheriffs (Scotland) Order 2006

laid under section 11(D)(2) of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971

19 April 2006

The Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003
(Treatment of Office or Body as Specified Authority) Order 2006

laid under section 18(4) of the Public Appointments and Public Bodies
etc. (Scotland) Act 2003

20 April 2006

The Joint Inspections (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006

laid under section 6(4) of the Joint Inspection of Children's Services and
Inspection of Social Work Services (Scotland) Act 2006

The Private Water Supplies (Notices) (Scotland) Regulations 2006

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities
Act 1972

3 May 2006

The Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland)
Amendment Regulations 2006

laid under section 37(2) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 2006

**The following instruments were laid before the Parliament for approval
by resolution**

18 July 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning)
(West Coast) (No.5) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/379)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

25 July 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning)
(West Coast) (No.6) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/384)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

1 August 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning)
(West Coast) (No.7) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/391)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

16 August 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning)
(West Coast) (No. 8) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/410)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

22 August 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/415)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

30 August 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.9) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/421)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

5 September 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.10) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/431)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

20 September 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.11) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/455)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

7 October 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.12) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/497)—
The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (SSI 2005/498)—
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

11 October 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/506)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

21 October 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.13) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/520)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

28 October 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.14) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/529)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

8 November 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (No.2) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/548)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.15) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/575)—
The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.16) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/579)—
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

21 November 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.17) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/585)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

7 December 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.18) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/626)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

26 January 2006

The Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/29)
laid under paragraph 2(3) of Schedule 12 to the Local Government Finance Act 1992

2. Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on the dates shown and are subject to annulment—

10 May 2005

The Confirmation to Small Estates (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/251)
laid under section 1(4) of the Confirmation to Small Estates (Scotland) Act 1979

The Prior Rights of Surviving Spouse (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/252)
laid under section 9A of the Succession (Scotland) Act 1964

19 May 2005

The Additional Support for Learning (Appropriate Agency Request Period and Exceptions) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/264)—
The Additional Support for Learning (Co-ordinated Support Plan) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/266)—
laid under section 34(4) of the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004

The Additional Support for Learning (Changes in School Education) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/265)—
The Additional Support for Learning (Publication of Information) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/267)—

laid under section 34 of the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004

The St Mary's School (Aided Places) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/269)—

The Education (Assisted Places) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/270)—

laid under section 133(2) of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980

24 May 2005

The Right to Purchase (Prescribed Persons) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2005 (SSI 2005/275)

laid under section 61(11)(w) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987

26 May 2005

The Contaminants in Food (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/277)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

The Animals and Animal Products (Import and Export) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/278)—

The Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/281)—

The Registration of Fish Sellers and Buyers and Designation of Auction Sites (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/286)—

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Seed Potatoes (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/279)—

The Seed Potatoes (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/280)—

laid under section 16(1) and (6) of the Plant Varieties and Seeds Act 1964

1 June 2005

The Food (Chilli, Chilli Products, Curcuma and Palm Oil) (Emergency Control) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/294)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972.

2 June 2005

The Local Government Pension Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/293)

laid under sections 7 and 12(6) of the Superannuation Act 1972

The Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Procedure Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/299)

laid under section 134(3) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

3 June 2005

The Adam Smith College, Fife (Establishment) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/298)
laid under section 60 of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act
1992

The Electricity (Applications for Consent) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations
2005 (SSI 2005/295)
laid under section 106 of the Electricity Act 1989

The Loch Crinan Scallops Several Fishery Order 2005 (SSI 2005/304)
laid under section 20(2) of the Sea Fisheries (Shellfish) Act 1967

The Air Quality Limit Values (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI
2005/300)—

The Nitrate (Public Participation etc.) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI
2005/305)—
laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities
Act 1972

7 June 2005

The Charities (Designated Religious Bodies) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI
2005/306)
laid under section 15(11) of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions)
(Scotland) Act 1990

The Honey (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/307)
laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (Variation of Schedule) (Scotland)
Order 2005 (SSI 2005/308)
laid under section 26(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

8 June 2005

The Mental Health (Content and amendment of care plans) (Scotland)
Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/309)—

The Mental Health (Social Circumstances Reports) (Scotland) Regulations
2005 (SSI 2005/310)—

The Mental Health (Content and amendment of Part 9 care plans) (Scotland)
Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/312)—
laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment)
(Scotland) Act 2003

The Sea Fishing (Enforcement of Community Quota and Third Country
Fishing Measures) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/311)
laid under section 30(4) and (5) of the Fishing Act 1981

The Student Loans (Information Requests, Maximum Threshold, Maximum
Repayment Levels and Hardship Loans) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI
2005/314)

laid under section 133 of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980

The Local Government Pension Scheme (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/315)

laid under section 12(6) of the Superannuation Act 1972

The Genetically Modified Organisms (Transboundary Movements) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/316)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Falkirk College of Further and Higher Education (Change of Name) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/317)

laid section 60 of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992

9 June 2005

The Edinburgh College of Art (Scotland) Order of Council 1995 (Amendment) Order of Council 2005 (SSI 2005/313)

laid under section 60 of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992

The Regulation of Care (Social Service Workers) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/318)

laid under section 78(1) of the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001

The Gaming Act (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/319)

laid under section 51(5) of the Gaming Act 1968

The Non-Domestic Rating (Valuation of Utilities) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2005 (SSI 2005/320)

laid under section 6A(2) of the Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act 1956

The False Monetary Instruments (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/321)

laid under section 46A(10) of the Criminal Law (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 1995

The Housing (Scotland) Act 2001 (Payments out of Grants for Housing Support Services) Amendment Order 2005 (SSI 2005/322)

laid under section 109(4) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001

The Products of Animal Origin (Third Country Imports) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/323)—

The Plant Protection Products (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/331)—

The Eggs (Marketing Standards) (Enforcement) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/332)—

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Financial Assistance for Environmental Purposes (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/324)

laid under section 161(3) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990

The Additional Support for Learning (Appropriate Agencies) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/325)

laid under section 34(4) of the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004

The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/326)—

The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/327)—

The National Health Service (Primary Medical Services Performers Lists) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/333)—

The National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/334)—

The National Health Service (Tribunal) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/335)—

The National Health Service (Primary Medical Services Section 17C Agreements) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/336)—

The National Health Service (General Medical Services Contracts) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/337)—

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Cereal Seed (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/328)—

The Fodder Plant Seed (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/329)—

laid under section 16(6) of the Plant Varieties and Seeds Act 1964

The Prevention and Monitoring of Cetacean Bycatch (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/330)

laid under section 30(4) of the Fisheries Act 1981

The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/338)

laid under section 134 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

The Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/339)

laid under section 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

The Pollution Prevention and Control (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/340)

laid under section 2 of the Pollution Prevention and Control Act 1999

10 June 2005

The Education (Graduate Endowment, Student Fees and Support) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/341)

laid under section 133 of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980, sections 1 and 2 of the Education (Fees and Awards) Act 1983 and section 1 of the Education (Graduate Endowment and Student Support) (Scotland) Act 2001

The Fire (Additional Function) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/342)—
The Fire (Charging) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/343)—
The Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 (Consequential Modifications and Amendments)
(No. 2) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/344)—
laid under section 88(3) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

The Education (Student Loans) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005
(SSI 2005/345)
laid under section 1(7) of the Education (Student Loans) Act 1990

The Public Service Vehicles (Registration of Local Services) (Scotland)
Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/346)
laid under section 61(1) of the Transport Act 1981

The Scottish Administration (Offices) Order 2005 (SI 2005/1467)
laid under section 115 of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 7 to, the
Scotland Act 1998

17 June 2005

The Mental Health (Definition of Specified Person: Correspondence)
(Scotland) Regulations 2005
laid under section 326(4) (c) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment)
(Scotland) Act 2003

The Requirements for Teachers (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/355)
laid under section 133 of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980 and section
59 of the Standards in Scotland's Schools etc. Act 2000

22 June 2005

The Housing Grants (Assessment of Contributions) (Scotland) Amendment
Regulations 2005
laid under section 240A(3) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987

30 June 2005

The Mental Health (Compulsion orders – documents and reports to be
submitted to the Tribunal) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/365)—
The Mental Health (Compulsory treatment orders – documents and reports to
be submitted to the Tribunal) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/366)—
laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment)
(Scotland) Act 2003

18 July 2005

The Mental Health (Conflict of Interest) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2005
(SSI 2005/380)—
The Mental Health (Removal Order) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI
2005/381)—

laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

5 August 2005

The Teachers' Superannuation (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/393)
laid under section 12(6) of the Superannuation Act 1972

16 August 2005

The Mental Health (Specified Persons' Correspondence) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/408)
laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

18 August 2005

The Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland (Procedure and Delegation of Functions) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/411)—
The Mental Health (Fee Payable to Designated Medical Practitioners) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/412)—
laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

23 August 2005

The Mental Health (Period for Appeal) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/416)
laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

24 August 2005

The Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 (Code of Practice) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/417)
laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

29 August 2005

The Mental Health Tribunal for Scotland (Practice and Procedure) Rules 2005 (SSI 2005/420)
laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

6 September 2005

The Regulation of Care (Prescribed Registers) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/432)
laid under section 78(1) of the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001

8 September 2005

The Food Safety (General Food Hygiene) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/435)
laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

9 September 2005

The Dissolution of Funding Councils (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/437)
laid under section 34 of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act
2005

The Registration of Fish Sellers and Buyers and Designation of Auction Sites
(Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/438)
laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities
Act 1972

The Housing (Scotland) Act 2001 (Transfer of Scottish Homes Property and
Liabilities) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/439)
laid under section 109(4) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001

13 September 2005

The Mental Health (Period for Appeal) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2005
(SSI 2005/441)—

The Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland (Procedure and Delegation of
Functions) (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/442)—

The Mental Health (Certificates for Medical Treatment) (Scotland) Regulations
2005 (SSI 2005/443)—

The Mental Health (Form of Documents) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI
2005/444)—

The Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 (Modification of
Subordinate Legislation) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/445)—

The Mental Health (Class of Nurse) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI
2005/446)—

The Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 (Transitional
and Savings Provision) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/452)—

laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment)
(Scotland) Act 2003

The Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI
2005/448)—

The Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI
2005/449)—

The Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI
2005/450)—

The Legal Aid in Contempt of Court Proceedings (Scotland) Amendment
Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/451)—

laid under section 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

14 September 2005

The Fire and Rescue Services (Framework) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI
2005/453)

laid under section 88(3) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

20 September 2005

The Food Labelling Amendment (No. 2) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/456)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

26 September 2005

The Registration of Civil Partnerships (Prescription of Forms, Publicisation and Errors) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/458)

laid under section 126(4) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004

The Plant Breeders' Rights (Discontinuation of Prior Use Exemption) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/460)

laid under section 48(3) of the Plant Varieties Act 1997

29 September 2005

The TSE (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/469)—
The Bovine Products (Restriction on Placing on the Market) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/470)—

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

7 October 2005

The Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (Contingency Planning) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/494)

laid under section 17(5) of the Civil Contingencies Act 2004

The Police Pensions (Part-time Service) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/495)

laid under section 1 of the Police Pensions Act 1976

The Salmonella in Broiler Flocks (Sampling Powers) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/496)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Additional Support for Learning Dispute Resolution (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/501)

laid under section 34 of the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004

The Animals and Animal Products (Import and Export) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/502)

laid under section 56(4) of the Finance Act 1973

11 October 2005

The Food Hygiene (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/505)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

14 October 2005

The Pollution Prevention and Control (Public Participation etc.) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/510)

laid under section 2(7) of the Pollution Prevention and Control Act 1999

18 October 2005

The National Health Service (Superannuation Scheme, Injury Benefits and Compensation for Premature Retirement) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/512)

laid under sections 10, 12 and 24 of the Superannuation Act 1972

21 October 2005

The Additional Support Needs Tribunals for Scotland (Practice and Procedure) Rules 2005 (SSI 2005/514)—

The Additional Support for Learning (Placing Request and Deemed Decisions) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/515)—

The Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004 (Transitional and Savings Provisions) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/516)—

The Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004 (Consequential Modifications of Subordinate Legislation) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/517)—

The Additional Support for Learning (Co-ordinated Support Plan) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/518)—

laid under section 34 of the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004

The Mental Health Tribunal for Scotland (Practice and Procedure) (No. 2) Rules 2005 (SSI 2005/519)

laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

24 October 2005

The National Assistance (Assessment of Resources) Amendment (No. 2) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/522)

laid under section 63(3) of the National Assistance Act 1948

27 October 2005

The Victim Statements (Prescribed Offences) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/526)

laid under section 88(1) of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003

28 October 2005

The Avian Influenza (Preventative Measures) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/530)—

The Avian Influenza (Preventative Measures in Zoos) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/531)—

laid under section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972

2 November 2005

The Food Labelling Amendment (No. 3) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/542)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

4 November 2005

The Glasgow School of Art (Scotland) Amendment Order of Council 2005 (SSI 2005/525)

laid under section 60 of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992

The Teachers' Superannuation (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/543)

laid under sections 12(6) and 24(5) of the Superannuation Act 1972

The National Health Service (Superannuation Scheme, Injury Benefits, Additional Voluntary Contributions and Compensation for Premature Retirement) (Civil Partnership) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/544)

laid under sections 12(6) and 24(5) of the Superannuation Act 1972

The Education (Graduate Endowment, Student Fees and Support) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/545)

laid under section 133(2) of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980, sections 1(5) and 2(4) of the Education (Fees and Awards) Act 1983 and section 1(7) of the Education (Graduate Endowment and Student Support) (Scotland) Act 2001

8 November 2005

The Electricity from Non-Fossil Fuel Sources (Scotland) Saving Arrangements Order 2005 (SSI 2005/549)

laid under section 67(8) of the Utilities Act 2000

9 November 2005

The Common Services Agency (Membership and Procedure) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/550)

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Sea Fishing (Enforcement of Community Control Measures) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2005 (SSI 2005/552)

laid under section 30(4) of the Fisheries Act 1981

The Local Government Pensions Etc. (Civil Partnership) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/554)

laid under sections 12(6) and 24(5) of the Superannuation Act 1972

The Plant Health Fees (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/555)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

10 November 2005

The Marriages and Civil Partnerships (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/556)

laid under section 54(2) of the Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965, section 25 of the Marriages (Scotland) Act 1977 and section 126 of the Civil Partnership Act 2004

The Disability Discrimination (Public Authorities) (Statutory Duties) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/565)

laid under section 67(1) and (5) of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995

The Firefighters' Pension Scheme Amendment (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/566)

laid under section 35 of the Fire Services Act 1947

11 November 2005

The Private Landlord Registration (Advice and Assistance) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/557)—

The Private Landlord Registration (Information and Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/558)—

The Private Landlord Registration (Appeals against Decision as to Rent Payable) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/559)—

The Antisocial Behaviour Notice (Appeal against Order as to Rent Payable) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/560)—

The Antisocial Behaviour Notice (Management Control Orders) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/561)—

The Antisocial Behaviour Notice (Landlord Liability) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/562)—

The Antisocial Behaviour Notice (Advice and Assistance) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/563)—

laid under section 141 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004

The Civil Partnership (Supplementary Provisions relating to the Recognition of Overseas Dissolutions, Annulments or Separations) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/567)

laid under section 237(4) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004

The Civil Partnership Act 2004 (Relationships Arising through Civil Partnership) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/568)

laid under section 247(7) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004

The Less Favoured Area Support Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/569)

laid under paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Registration of Independent Schools (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/571)

laid under section 133(2) of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980

The Civil Partnership Act 2004 (Modification of Subordinate Legislation) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/572)

laid under section 259(9)(b) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004

The Civil Partnership Act 2004 (Overseas Relationships) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/573)

laid under section 259(8) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004

18 November 2005

Act of Sederunt (Fees of Sheriff Officers) 2005 (SSI 2005/583)

laid under section 40 of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1907 and section 6 of the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Act 1926

The Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/584)

laid under section 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

21 November 2005

The Bovine Products (Restriction on Placing on the Market) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/586)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

24 November 2005

The Mobility and Access Committee for Scotland Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/589)

laid under section 81(3) of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001

The Protection of Water Against Agricultural Nitrate Pollution (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/593)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

25 November 2005

The Town and Country Planning (Limit of Annual Value) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/594)

laid under section 275(5) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997

29 November 2005

The Fishery Products (Official Controls Charges) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/597)

laid under paragraph 2 of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

30 November 2005

The Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/599)—

The Meat (Official Controls Charges) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/607)—

The Feed (Hygiene and Enforcement) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/608)—

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Feeding Stuffs (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/605)

laid under section 84(2) of the Agriculture Act 1970 and paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Contaminants in Food (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/606)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

The Scottish Homes (Dissolution) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/609)

laid under section 129(4) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001

The Regulation of Care (Social Services Workers) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2005 (SSI 2005/611)

laid under section 78(1) of the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001

1 December 2005

The Criminal Justice (International Co-operation) Act 1990 (Enforcement of Overseas Forfeiture Orders) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/581)

laid under section 9(5) of the Criminal Justice (International Co-operation) Act 1990

The Adults with Incapacity (Management of Residents' Finances) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/610)

laid under section 86(1) of the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000

The Plant Health (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/613)

laid under section 6(1) of the Plant Health Act 1967

The Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/614)

laid under section 63(2) of the Clean Air Act 1993

The Smoke Control Areas (Exempt Fireplaces) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/615)

laid under section 63(3) of the Clean Air Act 1993

The Official Feed and Food Controls (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/616)—

The Organic Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/619)—
laid under paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment (No.3) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/617)—

The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/618)—
laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Rural Stewardship Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/620)

laid under section 98(3) of the Environment Act 1995

5 December 2005

The Less Favoured Area Support Scheme (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/624)

laid under paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

8 December 2005

The Avian Influenza (Preventive Measures) (Date for Identification of Poultry Premises) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/625)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

9 December 2005

The Adults with Incapacity (Supervision of Welfare Guardians etc. by Local Authorities) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/630)—

The Adults with Incapacity (Countersignatories of Applications for Authority to Intromit) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/631)—

laid under section 86(1) of the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000

15 December 2005

The Fossil Fuel Levy (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/641)

laid under section 106(2) of the Electricity Act 1989

The Products of Animal Origin (Third Country Imports) (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/645)—

The Avian Influenza (Preventative Measures) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/646)—

The Avian Influenza (Preventative Measures in Zoos) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/647)—

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

20 December 2005

The Road User Charging (Liability for Charges) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/651)—

The Road User Charging (Penalty Charges) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/652)—

The Road User Charging Schemes (Keeping of Accounts and Relevant Expenses) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/654)—

laid under section 81(3) of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001

The Transport of Animals (Cleansing and Disinfection) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/653)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

21 December 2005

The M77 (Malletsheugh) (Speed Limit) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/655)

laid under section 134(3) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

5 January 2006

The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/1)—

The Utilities Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/2)—

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

10 January 2006

The Food Hygiene (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/3)—

The Older Cattle (Disposal) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/4)—

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

11 January 2006

The Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Amendment Rules 2006 (SSI 2006/5)

laid under section 42 of the Prisons (Scotland) Act 1989

13 January 2006

The Bail Conditions (Methods of Monitoring Compliance and Specification of Devices) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/7)

laid under sections 24B(5) and 24D(5) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995

The Restriction of Liberty Order (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/8)

laid under sections 245A(14) and 245C(4) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995

The Mental Health (Recall or Variation of Removal Order) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/11)—

The Mental Health (Form of Documents) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/12)—
laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

18 January 2006

The Intensive Support and Monitoring (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/15)
laid under section 103 of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995

19 January 2006

The Feeding Stuffs (Scotland) Amendment and the Feeding Stuffs (Sampling and Analysis) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/16)
laid under section 84(2) of the Agriculture Act 1970 and paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

20 January 2006

The Electricity (Applications for Consent) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/18)
laid under section 106 of the Electricity Act 1989

25 January 2006

The Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Codes of Conduct for Members of certain Scottish Public Authorities) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/26)
laid under section 32(7) of the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000

26 January 2006

The Potatoes Originating in Egypt (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/27)
laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972
The Private Landlord Registration (Information and Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/28)
laid under section 141(3) of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004

27 January 2006

The National Health Service (Variation of the Areas of Greater Glasgow and Highland Health Boards) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/33)
laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

1 February 2006

The Police Grant (Variation) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/39)
laid under section 32(8) of the Police (Scotland) Act 1967

2 February 2006

The National Health Service (General Ophthalmic Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/42)
laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

7 February 2006

The Foot-and-Mouth Disease (Slaughter and Vaccination) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/45)—
The TSE (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/46)—
laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

8 February 2006

The Perth (Pilotage Powers) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/49)
laid under section 30(1) of the Pilotage Act 1987

9 February 2006

The Sea Fish (Prohibited Methods of Fishing) (Firth of Clyde) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/51)
laid under section 20(5) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967

10 February 2006

The Solway Firth Regulated Fishery (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/57)
laid under section 20(2) of the Sea Fisheries (Shellfish) Act 1967

The Inshore Fishing (Prohibition of Fishing for Cockles) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/58)
laid under section 9(2) of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Act 1984

16 February 2006

The Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/60)—
The Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/61)—
laid under section 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

The Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Act 2005 (Designation of Partner Bodies) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/63)
laid under section 3(25)(b) of the Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Act 2005

17 February 2006

The Housing Revenue Account General Fund Contribution Limits (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/64)
laid under section 204(3) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987

21 February 2006

The Council Tax (Electronic Communications) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/67)

laid under section 9(3) and (7) of the Electronic Communications Act 2000

23 February 2006

The Seeds (Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/70)

laid under section 16(6) of the Plant Varieties and Seeds Act 1964

The Water Services Charges (Billing and Collection) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/71)—

The Water and Sewerage Charges (Exemption and Reduction) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/72)—

laid under section 68(4) of the Water Industry (Scotland) Act 2002

2 March 2006

The Police Grant (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/91)

laid under section 32(8) of the Police (Scotland) Act 1967

The Non-Domestic Rate (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/92)

laid under section 7B(5) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975

3 March 2006

The Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Rules 2006 (SSI 2006/94)

laid under section 42 of the Prisons (Scotland) Act 1989

The Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Act 2005 (Consequential Amendments) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/95)

laid under section 39 of the Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Act 2005

6 March 2006

The Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/96)—

The Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Registration) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/97)—

laid under section 125(3) of the Police Act 1997

7 March 2006

The Fish Labelling (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/105)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

8 March 2006

The Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Rural Housing Bodies) Amendment Order 2006 (SSI 2006/108)—

The Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Conservation Bodies) Amendment Order 2006 (SSI 2006/110)—

laid under section 127(1) of the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003

The Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Specified Day) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/109)

laid under section 74(1) of the Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000

The Transfer of Property, Rights and Liabilities from the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority and the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Executive to the West of Scotland Transport Partnership Order 2006 (SSI 2006/111)—

The National Bus Travel Concession Scheme for Older and Disabled Persons (Eligible Persons and Eligible Services) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/117)—

laid under section 52(2) of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2005

The Strathclyde Passenger Transport Area (Variation) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/112)

laid under section 40(9) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994

The National Assistance (Assessment of Resources) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/113)—

The National Assistance (Sums for Personal Requirements) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/114)—

laid under section 63(3) of the National Assistance Act 1948

The Civil Partnership Family Homes (Form of Consent) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/115)

laid under section 126(4) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004

The Diligence against Earnings (Variation) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/116)

laid under section 104 of the Debtors (Scotland) Act 1987

9 March 2006

The Beef Carcase (Classification) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/118)—

The Dairy Produce Quotas (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/119)—

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Provision of Water and Sewerage Services (Reasonable Cost) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/120)

laid under section 1(6) of the Sewerage (Scotland) Act 1968 and section 101(2) of the Water (Scotland) Act 1980

The National Health Service (Tribunal) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/122)

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Local Government Pension Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/123)

laid under section 12(6) of the Superannuation Act 1972

The Non-Domestic Rates (Levying) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/124)

laid under section 153 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994

The Non-Domestic Rating (Rural Areas and Rateable Value Limits) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2006 (SSI 2006/125)

laid under section 8 and Schedule 2 of the Local Government and Rating Act 1997

The Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003 (Designation of Responsible Authorities and Functions) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/126)—

The Water Environment (Consequential Provisions) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/127)—

laid under section 36(4) of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003

The Waste Management Licensing (Water Environment) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/128)

laid under section 36(5) of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003

The Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (Consequential and Supplementary Amendments) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/129)

laid under section 172(6) of the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005

The Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Conservation Bodies) Amendment (No.2) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/130)

laid under section 127(1) of the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003

10 March 2006

The National Health Service (Dental Charges) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/131)—

The Functions of Health Boards (Scotland) Amendment Order 2006 (SSI 2006/132)—

The National Health Service (General Ophthalmic Services) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/135)—

The National Health Service (Primary Medical Services Performers Lists) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/136)—

The National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/137)—

The National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/138)—

The National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/141)—

The National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/142)—

The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/143)—

The National Waiting Times Centre Board (Scotland) Amendment Order 2006 (SSI 2006/144)—

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Water Environment (Oil Storage) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/133)

laid under section 36 of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003

The Sight Testing (Examination and Prescription) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations (SSI 2006/134)

laid under section 34(6) of the Opticians Act 1989

The Children (Protection at Work) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/140)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

13 March 2006

The National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/139)

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

15 March 2006

The Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/151)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Gambling Act 2005 (Licensing Authority Policy Statement) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/154)

laid under section 355(10) of the Gambling Act 2005

16 March 2006

The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/149)

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Sewerage Nuisance (Code of Practice) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/155)

laid under section 34(3) of the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Act 2005

The Products of Animal Origin (Third Country Imports) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/156)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Erskine Bridge (Temporary Suspension of Tolls) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/157)

laid under section 15(2) of the Erskine Bridge Tolls Act 1968

17 March 2006

The Non-Domestic Rates (Levying) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations (SSI 2006/158)

laid under section 153 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994

22 March 2006

The Building (Forms) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/163)

laid under section 54(1) of the Building (Scotland) Act 2003

The Register of Sasines (Methods of Operation) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/164)

laid under section 2(2) of the Register of Sasines (Scotland) Act 1987

23 March 2006

The Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (Specified Persons for Financial Reporting Orders) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/170)

laid under section 172 (6) of the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005

The Mental Health Tribunal for Scotland (Practice and Procedure) (No. 2) Amendment Rules 2006 (SSI 2006/171)—

The Mental Health (Relevant Health Board for Patients Detained in Conditions of Excessive Security) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/172)—

laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) Act 2005

31 March 2006

The National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/183)

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Scottish Charity Register (Transitional) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/188)

laid under section 103(4) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005

3 April 2006

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 8) (Scotland) Order 2005 Revocation Order 2006 (SSI 2006/191)—

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.16) (Scotland) Order 2005 Revocation Order 2006 (SSI 2006/192)—

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

20 April 2006

The Private Water Supplies (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/209)

laid under section 101 of the Water (Scotland) Act 1980 and paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Private Water Supplies (Grants) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/210)

laid under section 47(5) of the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003

21 April 2006

The Registered Social Landlords (Purposes or Objects) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/211)

laid under section 109(4) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001

The Land Management Contracts (Menu Scheme) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/213)

laid under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972

The Croft House Grant (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/214)

laid under section 60 of the Crofters (Scotland) Act 1993

25 April 2006

The Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/218)

laid under section 103 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005

26 April 2006

The Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 (Transitional and Savings Provisions) Amendment Order 2006 (SSI 2006/221)

laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

28 April 2006

The Ceramic Articles in Contact with Food (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/230)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

2 May 2006

The TSE (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/231)
laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities
Act 1972

3 May 2006

The Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2006
(SSI 2006/233)—
The Criminal Legal Aid (Summary Justice Pilot Courts and Bail Conditions)
(Scotland) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/234)—
laid under section 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

9 May 2006

The Plant Protection Products (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI
2006/241)
laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities
Act 1972

The Sea Fishing (Enforcement of Community Quota and Third Country
Fishing Measures) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/244)
laid under section 30(4) of the Fisheries Act 1981

The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland)
Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/245)—
The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland)
Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/246)—
The National Health Service (General Medical Services Contracts) (Scotland)
Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/247)—
The National Health Service (Primary Medical Services Section 17C
Agreements) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2006 (SSI 2006/248)—
laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act
1978
The Gaming Act (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 2006 (SSI 2006/249)
laid under section 51(5) of the Gaming Act 1968

3. Instruments not subject to Parliamentary procedure

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on the dates shown
and are not subject to Parliamentary procedure—

24 May 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning)
(West Coast) (No. 3) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/272)—
The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning)
(West Coast) (No. 8) (Scotland) Order 2004 Revocation Order 2005 (SSI
2005/273)—

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 9) (Scotland) Order 2004 Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/274)—

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

28 June 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 4) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/360)

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23 March 2006

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1 March 2006

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24 May 2005

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26 May 2005

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7 June 2005

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9 June 2005

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8 July 2005

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22 July 2005

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Torture Flights on Scottish Soil, *S2M-3766, Thursday 22 December 2005*

Transfer of Functions from the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority and the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Executive to the West of Scotland Transport Partnership Order 2006 (draft), *S2M-4031, Wednesday 1 March 2006*

Transfer of Rail Functions to the Scottish Ministers Order 2005 (draft), S2M-3610, *Wednesday 23 November 2005*
Transport (Scotland) Bill—
Business Motion, S2M-3059, *Wednesday 29 June 2005*
Stage 3, S2M-3039, *Wednesday 29 June 2005*
Trial Reintroduction of the European Beaver, S2M-2502, *Thursday 19 May 2005*
TV Licence and Digital Reception, S2M-3415, *Thursday 24 November 2005*

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Valuation and Rating (Exempted Classes) (Scotland) Order 2006 (draft), S2M-4158, *Wednesday 22 March 2006*
Victim Statements (Prescribed Courts) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2005, S2M-3614, *Wednesday 23 November 2005*
Victims' Rights, S2M-3171, *Thursday 15 September 2005*
Violence Against Women, S2M-3670, *Wednesday 7 December 2005*
Voluntary Sector and the Social Economy, S2M-2825, *Thursday 19 May 2005*
Volunteering, *Thursday 9 February 2006*

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W8 Summit, S2M-2951, *Thursday 23 June 2005*
Wanlockhead Museum Trust and Museum of Lead Mining, S2M-3933, *Thursday 27 April 2006*
Waste Strategy, S2M-3585, *Thursday 17 November 2005*
Water Environment (Consequential and Savings Provisions) (Scotland) Order 2006 (draft), S2M-4156, *Wednesday 22 March 2006*
Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (draft), S2M-2889, *Wednesday 1 June 2005*
Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill—
Preliminary Stage, S2M-3329, *Wednesday 28 September 2005*
Financial Resolution, S2M-3342, *Wednesday 28 September 2005*