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**Today's Business**

**Tuesday 19 May 2015**

## Summary of Today's Business

### Meetings of Committees

9.45 am	Health and Sport Committee	the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)
10.00 am	Education and Culture Committee	the Robert Burns Room (CR1)
10.00 am	Justice Committee	the David Livingstone Room (CR6)
10.00 am	Welfare Reform Committee	the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)
11.30 am	Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee	the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

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### Meeting of the Parliament

2.00 pm	Time for Reflection – Reverend Dr Daniel Frank, Minister, Wallacewell Community Fellowship, Church of Scotland
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Topical Questions
followed by	Scottish Government Debate: Allied Health Professionals, Enabling Active and Independent Living
followed by	Business Motions
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business – S4M-12302: Kevin Stewart: World Whisky Day 2015

**For full details of today's business, see Section A.**

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### Section A – Today's Business

#### Meetings of Committees

All meetings take place in the Scottish Parliament, unless otherwise specified. Contact details for Committee Clerks are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

#### Health and Sport Committee 16th Meeting, 2015

- The Committee will meet at 9.45 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)
1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
  2. **Mental Health (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1).
  3. **Fertility Treatment:** The Committee will consider its approach.

#### Education and Culture Committee 12th Meeting, 2015

- The Committee will meet at 10.00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)
1. **Attainment (sensory impairment):** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Alison McGillivray, Quality Improvement Officer, East Renfrewshire Council;  
David Watt, Senior Education Officer, Education Scotland;  
Brian Shannan, Educational Audiologist, Fife Sensory Support Service, Fife Council;  
Eileen Burns, Headteacher, Hamilton School for the Deaf;  
Richard Hellewell, Chief Executive, Royal Blind.

#### Justice Committee 16th Meeting, 2015

- The Committee will meet at 10.00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)
1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
  2. **Petition PE1567:** The Committee will consider a petition by Donna O'Halloran on investigating unascertained deaths, suicides and fatal accidents in Scotland.
  3. **Inquiries into Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths etc. (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
James Wolffe QC, Dean, Faculty of Advocates;  
Tom Marshall, President, Society of Solicitor Advocates;  
and then from—  
Sheriff Gordon Liddle, Vice-President, and Sheriff Nikola Stewart, Sheriffs' Association;

and then from—

The Rt Hon Lord Gill, Lord President and Lord Justice General;  
Roddy Flinn, Legal Secretary to the Lord President;  
Eric McQueen, Chief Executive, Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service.

4. **Community Justice (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its call for written evidence on the Bill at Stage 1.
5. **Apologies (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider witnesses for its scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

### **Welfare Reform Committee 9th Meeting, 2015**

The Committee will meet at 10.00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Bedroom tax mitigation follow up:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Scott Wilson, previous 'Your Say' witness;  
Alan Wyllie, National Spokesperson, No2BedroomTax Campaign;  
Hanna McCulloch, Policy and Parliamentary Officer, Child Poverty Action Group (CPAG) in Scotland;  
Jeremy Hewer, Policy Advisor, Scottish Federation of Housing Associations;  
Susan Donald, Benefits Manager, Aberdeenshire Council;  
Lorna Campbell, Service Manager Revenues and Benefits, Dumfries and Galloway Council;  
Cliff Dryburgh, Benefits Manager, City of Edinburgh Council;  
Annette Finnan, Head of Area Services, Housing and Technical Resources, South Lanarkshire Council.
2. **Women and welfare:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Professor Diane Elson, Chair, UK Women's Budget Group;  
Dr Helen Graham, Research Fellow, Employment Research Institute, Edinburgh Napier University;  
Morag Gillespie, Senior Research Fellow, Glasgow Caledonian University;  
Howard Reed, Director, Landman Economics.

### **Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 17th Meeting, 2015**

The Committee will meet at 11.30 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Town and Country Planning \(Hazardous Substances\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2015 \(SSI 2015/181\);](#)  
[Town and Country Planning \(Hazardous Substances Inquiry Session Procedure\) \(Scotland\) Rules 2015 \(SSI 2015/182\);](#)  
[Scottish Tax Tribunals \(Time Limits and Rules of Procedure\) Regulations 2015 \(SSI 2015/184\);](#)

[Less Favoured Area Support Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2015 \(SSI 2015/185\);](#)  
[Carbon Accounting Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2015 \(SSI 2015/189\).](#)

3. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Scottish Tax Tribunals \(Conduct and Fitness Assessment Tribunal\) Rules 2015 \(SSI 2015/187\);](#)  
[Forth Road Bridge Act 2013 \(Commencement\) Order 2015 \(SSI 2015/190 \(C.30\)\).](#)
4. **Annual report:** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 11 May 2014 to 10 May 2015.
5. **Inquiries into Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths etc. (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider further the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.

## Meeting of the Parliament

2.00 pm Time for Reflection – Reverend Dr Daniel Frank, Minister, Wallacewell Community Fellowship, Church of Scotland

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Topical Questions

**1. David Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the recently published road traffic statistics. (S4T-01018)

*followed by* Scottish Government Debate: Allied Health Professionals, Enabling Active and Independent Living

**S4M-13196 Maureen Watt: Allied Health Professionals, Enabling Active and Independent Living**—That the Parliament recognises that allied health professionals (AHPs) possess a diverse range of unique skills and expertise in rehabilitation and enablement that are key to supporting self-management and enabling active, independent and productive living; recognises and congratulates the increasing number of AHPs in Scotland on the important role that they play in prevention, early intervention and enablement in supporting the health and wellbeing of the people of Scotland throughout their lives, and believes that this approach can be further strengthened through the ongoing integration of health and social care services.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

**S4M-13196.2 Jenny Marra: Allied Health Professionals, Enabling Active and Independent Living**—As an amendment to motion S4M-13196 in the name of Maureen Watt (Allied Health Professionals, Enabling Active and Independent Living), insert at end “; further believes that the valued role of AHPs would be best supported by understanding the areas that are most in need and therefore calls for an audit of the *National Delivery Plan for the Allied Health Professions in Scotland, 2012 – 2015* with a specific focus on performance of self-referral as a primary route for access and musculoskeletal AHP waiting times; notes that the Chartered Society for Physiotherapy has concerns regarding declining numbers of band 7 physiotherapist clinicians, and calls on the Scottish Government to bring forward a long-term plan to reverse this trend”.

**S4M-13196.1 Jim Hume: Allied Health Professionals, Enabling Active and Independent Living**—As an amendment to motion S4M-13196 in the name of Maureen Watt (Allied Health Professionals, Enabling Active and Independent Living), after “living” insert “; believes that AHPs are crucial in the treatment and prevention not only of physical ill health but also of mental ill health; recognises the added value that AHPs can have in terms of preventative, upstream approaches; acknowledges that AHP interventions can significantly reduce unnecessary hospital admission and can help to reduce dependency on care services, resulting in savings to health and social care”.

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Debate on the subject of—

**S4M-12302 Kevin Stewart: World Whisky Day 2015**—That the Parliament notes that the 4th World Whisky Day will take place on 16 May 2015; understands that this global celebration of whisky last year saw 250,000 people attend whisky-themed events in over 40 countries; notes that the event is now managed by the Edinburgh-based Hot Rum Cow Publishing, supported by the founder of World Whisky Day, Blair Bowman; considers that World Whisky Day provides an amazing opportunity to highlight and promote Scotland's national drink, and raises a dram to the event's continued success.

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