

PARLIAMENTARY QUESTIONS ON COVID-19 AND ANSWERS BY THE SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT

Thursday 21 May 2020

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ANSWERS TO PARLIAMENTARY QUESTIONS (Received on 21 May)

Government Initiated Questions

George Adam (Paisley) (Scottish National Party): To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish further details on Scotland's approach to reviewing the COVID-19 restrictions currently in place.

S5W-29266

John Swinney: We have today published *COVID-19: Framework for Decision Making – Scotland's route map through and out of the crisis*, which sets out a phased approach to carefully and gradually changing current restrictions in place to suppress the spread of Covid-19, subject to the evidence supporting that. It makes clear that we will continue to take a cautious approach that ensures that the virus is suppressed, while seeking to restore as much normality as possible when it is safe to do so.

We will also publish a summary of what we have heard through our online platform – open between 5 May and 11 May – through which we received more than 4,000 ideas and almost 18,000 comments on a range of them

Ministerial portfolio: Communities and Local Government

Oliver Mundell (Dumfriesshire) (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party): To ask the Scottish Government what consideration has been given to extending the neighbour notification boundaries for planning applications in light of COVID-19, and what its response is to concerns that, in some rural areas, people are finding it more difficult to access and find out about new planning applications.

S5W-28997

Kevin Stewart: We have been in regular contact with representatives of Local Authorities during the COVID-19 emergency about the continued operation of the planning system, including the undertaking of neighbour notification and

the publication of information about planning applications. The Scottish Government considers that existing requirements for neighbour notification remain appropriate at the present time but continues to monitor the situation.

Access to on-line information by members of the public not required to be notified in writing remains unaffected by the current situation, however, we have encouraged planning authorities to consider allowing additional flexibility with timescales for interested parties to make representations.

Ministerial portfolio: Finance

Colin Smyth (South Scotland) (Scottish Labour): To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the cost to it of continuing business support schemes that are directly funded by the UK Government to businesses in Scotland.

S5W-28697

Kate Forbes: The Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and the Self Employment Income Support Scheme are run by the UK Government and have been an essential part of our collective response so far. The Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme is offered by banks across the UK with guarantees from the UK Government. We could not afford, and do not have powers to, create separate Scottish schemes to mirror these. The Scottish Government and its Ministers continue to work closely with the UK Government to ensure that the schemes take account of the different public health priorities that we need to manage compared to the rest of the UK. We intend to monitor uptake of the schemes in Scotland to ensure that our businesses are able to take advantage of them and are working with HMRC to obtain relevant data.

Dean Lockhart (Mid Scotland and Fife) (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party): To ask the Scottish Government how much it expects to receive in Barnett consequentials following the announcement by the UK Government on 9 May 2020 of up to an additional £2 billion investment in active travel.

S5W-29000

Kate Forbes: HM Treasury have indicated that no Barnett consequentials will arise from this announcement.

Ministerial portfolio: Health and Sport

Rona Mackay (Strathkelvin and Bearsden) (Scottish National Party): To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made on implementing the conclusions of the Independent Care Review.

S5W-29233

John Swinney: The Scottish Government is fully committed to deliver on its pledge to care experienced people in Scotland by accepting and responding to the Care Review conclusions and by putting in place the infrastructure to implement the outcomes reached and ‘#KeepThePromise’.

The COVID-19 emergency response has undoubtedly impacted upon the ability of the Scottish Government and key partners to make as much progress as we would have wished to in our response in the short term.

However, the Scottish Government has been working hard to ensure that the principles of the Care Review’s “Promise” are reflected in our response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including in practice guidance and policies underpinning emergency legislation.

I am pleased to advise Parliament that Fiona Duncan has agreed to Chair the oversight of implementation which will ensure the ethos, approach and commitments of the Care Review can be at the heart of this process. We will work with Fiona Duncan to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that the Promise is implemented in the way that the Review, care experienced people and the wider sector envisaged.

Annie Wells (Glasgow) (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party): To ask the Scottish Government what the process is for families to receive payment from its recently-announced COVID-19-related death in service benefit for NHS staff, including for families of staff who were not covered by the existing schemes; when this benefit will be operational, and how quickly the money will be distributed.

S5W-28893

Jeane Freeman: I shall reply to the member as soon as possible.

Anas Sarwar (Glasgow) (Scottish Labour): To ask the Scottish Government who the members are of its COVID-19-related scientific advisory group; when the minutes of the group's meetings will be published, and whether special advisers attend its meetings in an official or informal basis.

S5W-28901

Jeane Freeman: I shall reply to the member as soon as possible.

Miles Briggs (Lothian) (Scottish Conservatives and Unionist Party): To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) men and (b) women with blood cancer in each age group have (i) contracted and (ii) died from COVID-19, also broken down by how many had received intensive care support.

S5W-28903

Jeane Freeman: I shall reply to the member as soon as possible.

Miles Briggs (Lothian) (Scottish Conservatives and Unionist Party): To ask the Scottish Government what procedure is used by the NHS to review the criteria by which it decides who should receive letters asking them to shield at home because of COVID-19.

S5W-28904

Jeane Freeman: I shall reply to the member as soon as possible.

Miles Briggs (Lothian) (Scottish Conservatives and Unionist Party): To ask the Scottish Government how many two-week urgent referrals there were in April (a) 2019 and (b) 2020 for suspected (i) breast, (ii) bowel, (iii) lung, (iv) blood and (v) prostate cancer, and what impact it considers the COVID-19 outbreak had on any variation in the figures.

S5W-28905

Jeane Freeman: I shall reply to the member as soon as possible.

Miles Briggs (Lothian) (Scottish Conservatives and Unionist Party): To ask the Scottish Government how many people received chemotherapy in April (a) 2019 and (b) 2020 for the treatment of (i) breast, (ii) bowel, (iii) lung, (iv) blood and (v) prostate cancer, and what impact it considers the COVID-19 outbreak had on any variation in the figures.

S5W-28906

Jeane Freeman: I shall reply to the member as soon as possible.

Miles Briggs (Lothian) (Scottish Conservatives and Unionist Party): To ask the Scottish Government how many people who have been asked to shield at home from the COVID-19 outbreak are undergoing (a) chemotherapy, (b) radical radiotherapy for lung cancer, (c) treatment for blood or bone marrow cancer, (d) immunotherapy or other antibody treatments for cancer and (e) other cancer treatments that might affect the immune system.

S5W-28907

Jeane Freeman: I shall reply to the member as soon as possible.

Miles Briggs (Lothian) (Scottish Conservatives and Unionist Party): To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to establish COVID-19-free hospitals specifically dedicated to cancer treatment.

S5W-28908

Jeane Freeman: I shall reply to the member as soon as possible.

David Stewart (Highlands and Islands) (Scottish Labour): To ask the Scottish Government how many excess deaths have been attributed by each NHS board for non-COVID-19-related conditions since the start of the outbreak, broken down by the cause of death.

S5W-28916

Jeane Freeman: I shall reply to the member as soon as possible.

David Stewart (Highlands and Islands) (Scottish Labour): To ask the Scottish Government what the estimated rate of infection (R number) is for COVID-19 (a) nationally and (b) broken down by each NHS board.

S5W-28917

Jeane Freeman: I shall reply to the member as soon as possible.

[Ministerial portfolio: Rural Economy and Tourism](#)

Claire Baker (Mid Scotland and Fife) (Scottish Labour): To ask the Scottish Government what financial support it has made available to the arts, culture and tourism sectors as a result of COVID-19; how many grants have been awarded, and how many applications were rejected.

S5W-29002

Fiona Hyslop: The Scottish Government has made a number of grant schemes available specifically for the arts, culture and tourism sectors as a result of COVID-19, and in addition arts, culture and tourism businesses are able to apply to a range of other COVID-19 business support schemes. These funds are supported via a mixture of additional budget allocations to the sector and through repurposing of existing funding streams.

Specific arts, culture and tourism support:

- Creative Scotland is providing the following support in response to the COVID-19 situation.
- The Creative Scotland Bridging Bursary Fund for freelance creative professionals (£4.0m). As of Monday 18 May, 1596 arts and creative bursaries have been paid, with 380 deemed ineligible.
- The repurposed Open Project fund to help practitioners adapt and respond to the current changing circumstances (£7.5m). As at 18 May, there have been 116 individual applications and 60 applications from organisations to the Open Fund. These will be assessed at the end of May.
- One-off bursaries through Screen Scotland to film and TV sector workers (£1.5m). 462 have been paid as at 18 May and 133 were deemed ineligible.

- Screen Scotland has also announced that Scotland's independent film and TV production companies are able to apply for newly ring-fenced development support fund of £1m for awards over the next 3-6 months to enable planning towards production when Government guidance allows.
- Museums Galleries Scotland have formed the Urgent Response Fund (£700k) and the Digital Resilience Fund (£115k). As of 18 May 2020 22 applications have been received for the Urgent Response Fund, with 16 assessed. Seven museums have been awarded funding, seven decisions have been deferred, one is pending decision with one decline. The Digital Resilience fund has received 40 applications, with 37 assessments and 35 awards having been made.
- We are supporting the Edinburgh Fringe with a £500,000 initial package of support comprising a £400,000 interest-free loan from the Scottish Government and a £100,000 grant from the Council.
- VisitScotland has made available up to £400k from its 2020-21 budget to provide grants to destination management and sectoral membership organisations whose income from member businesses has dropped substantially in the current crisis. The fund remains open and around 40 applications have been received to date. VisitScotland has also waived fees for the c.4000 members of its Quality Assurance scheme, saving businesses around £1m in fees at this difficult time.

Wider funds which arts, culture and tourism organisations may be eligible to apply for include the Creative, Tourism & Hospitality Enterprises Hardship Fund, the Newly Self-Employed Hardship Fund, the Third Sector Resilience Fund and the Pivotal Enterprise Resilience Fund. There is not yet specific information for applications from arts, culture and tourism companies for the other funds.

Claire Baker (Mid Scotland and Fife) (Scottish Labour): To ask the Scottish Government how many fewer tourists have visited Scotland from January to May 2020 compared with the same period in 2019.

S5W-29003

Fiona Hyslop: At present, official data on numbers of domestic and international overnight visitors are not available for the period January – May 2020.

The ONS will publish estimated international overnight visitor numbers for 2019 from its Travel Trends publication on 22 May. These data will be available at: <https://www.ons.gov.uk/releases/traveltrends2019>

The latest data on domestic overnight visitors, published by VisitBritain, cover the period to December 2019. These data are available at: <https://www.visitbritain.org/great-britain-tourism-survey-latest-monthly-overnight-data>

Claire Baker (Mid Scotland and Fife) (Scottish Labour): To ask the Scottish Government what estimate it has made of the number of jobs lost in the arts, culture and tourism sectors as a result of COVID-19, also broken down by the number that it estimates could be lost in these sectors in 2020.

S5W-29004

Fiona Hyslop: Official data on the impact of COVID-19 on those employed in the arts, culture and tourism sectors are not yet available for Scotland.

The ONS has published initial UK-level data on the impact of COVID-19 by industry through its Business Impact of COVID-19 Survey (BICS). Data for Wave 3 of BICS (covering the period 6 April to 19 April) was published on 7th May, and includes data on the Accommodation & Food Service sector and the Arts, Education & Recreation sectors. This publication also includes UK level data on responding firms' trading status, measures taken to respond to COVID-19, and the use of the UK Government's Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme.

Data from ONS's BICS is available at:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/economy/economicoutputandproductivity/output/datasets/businessimpactofcovid19surveybicsresults>

The impact of COVID-19 of Scotland's arts, culture and tourism sectors has been extremely challenging. The Scottish Government has significant and ongoing engagement with key stakeholders from these sectors including through the Scottish Tourism Emergency Response Group and Creative Scotland's Covid-19 response group, which have been key in identifying and addressing many of the challenges for businesses, employees and the self-employed. We have expanded our substantial package of support for businesses to include support for self-catering businesses and the Creative, Tourism and Hospitality Enterprises Hardship Fund and Self-Employed Hardship Fund will support many who have not been eligible for other forms of support. Creative Scotland is providing an expected total budget of £14 million of support in response to the COVID-19 situation including the Bridging Bursary Fund for freelance creative professionals; the repurposed Open Project fund to help practitioners adapt and respond to the current changing circumstances; and one-off bursaries to film and TV sector workers. The Scottish Government is also engaging with the UK Government to make the case that any changes to UK Government support schemes such as the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme, reflect the circumstances faced by businesses within the arts, culture and tourism sectors.

Claire Baker (Mid Scotland and Fife) (Scottish Labour): To ask the Scottish Government what it estimates the financial loss will be to the arts, culture and tourism sectors as a result of COVID-19.

S5W-29005

Fiona Hyslop: Official data on the financial impact of COVID-19 on the arts, culture and tourism sectors are not yet available for Scotland.

The ONS has published initial UK-level data on the impact of COVID-19 by industry through its Business Impact of COVID-19 Survey (BICS). Data for Wave 3 of BICS (covering the period 6 April to 19 April) was published on 7th May, and includes data on the Accommodation & Food Service sector and the Arts, Education & Recreation sectors. This publication also includes UK level data on responding firms' trading status and impacts on their recent turnover.

Data from ONS's BICS is available at:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/economy/economicoutputandproductivity/output/datasets/businessimpactofcovid19surveybicsresults>

Scottish Ministers recognise the exceptional circumstances being experienced by the arts, culture and tourism sectors as a result of COVID-19, and the challenges these have created. We have significant and ongoing engagement with key stakeholders from these sectors including through the Scottish Tourism Emergency Response Group and Creative Scotland's Covid-19 response group which has been key in identifying and addressing many of the challenges for businesses, employees and the self-employed. We have put in place a substantial package of support to address this, which includes the Creative, Tourism and Hospitality Enterprises Hardship Fund, and the Pivotal Enterprise Resilience Fund. Creative Scotland is providing an expected total budget of £14 million of support in response to the COVID-19 situation including the Bridging Bursary Fund for freelance creative professionals; the repurposed Open Project fund to help practitioners adapt and respond to the current changing circumstances; and one-off bursaries to film and TV sector workers.

ORAL QUESTIONS ON 20 MAY 2020

First Minister's Statement

The First Minister delivered a statement to Parliament on 'Covid-19 lockdown: the next steps' and received questions from Members at the end of the statement. The questions and answers can be found in the Official Report of proceedings [here](#).

Members' Question Time: Local Government and Communities

Questions and answers can be found [here](#).

Urgent Question

The following question was asked:

Neil Bibby (West Scotland) (Lab): *To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the Health Secretary authorised the purchase of 50 beds in order to move untested patients into 10 care homes in Inverclyde, which has the highest COVID-19 death rate in Scotland; how many of these homes have experienced a subsequent outbreak of the virus, and how many deaths there have been.*

The answer to the above question, and the supplementary questions, can be found in the Official Report of proceedings [here](#).

Written questions lodged on 21 May 2020

(Expected answer date 8 June 2020)

[S5W-29207](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the health secretary's comments in the Parliament on 20 May 2020 (*Official Report*, c.4) that she did not have information relating to the deep cleaning of the Nike store in The Centre, Livingston in early March, but that "it is something that Health Protection Scotland's (HPS) local contact tracing team would know and pursue", whether she, through HPS, will confirm the position.

[S5W-29222](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether representative disability groups and organisations can contribute to the work of its COVID-19 Education Recovery Group, and, if so, how.

[S5W-29223](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what provision it is making for the educational needs of pupils with additional support needs (ASN) during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[S5W-29224](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what provision it is making for additional support needs (ASN) children of key workers who require childcare.

[S5W-29244](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the finding by Epilepsy Scotland that 40% of respondents to its questionnaire stated that their seizures had increased as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, what action is being taken to tackle this increase.

[S5W-29245](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the finding by Epilepsy Scotland that over a third of respondents to its questionnaire stated that they have had their specialist appointment cancelled, how it will ensure that epilepsy patients receive the treatment they require.

[S5W-29246](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of recent findings by Epilepsy Scotland, what support it provides to people with epilepsy who rely on public transport to ensure that they are not financially impacted as a result of COVID-19.

[S5W-29247](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that people with epilepsy can access (a) the Personal Independence Payment and (b) Carer's Allowance without any delay due to COVID-19.

[S5W-29248](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of Close the Gap's briefing, *Disproportionate disruption: The impact of COVID-19 on women's labour market equality*, how it is ensuring that policy-making that addresses labour market disruption due to COVID-19 focuses on occupational segregation as a central aim.

[S5W-29249](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of Close the Gap's briefing, *Disproportionate disruption: The impact of COVID-19 on women's labour market equality*, how it is supporting people who are most exposed to labour market disruption, particularly women, who reportedly account for 51.5% of those in jobs at risk of high exposure to job disruption.

[S5W-29250](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of Close the Gap's briefing, *Disproportionate disruption: The impact of COVID-19 on women's labour market equality*, what steps it is taking to ensure that COVID-19 does not increase the gender pay gap.

[S5W-29251](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of Close the Gap's briefing, *Disproportionate disruption: The impact of COVID-19 on women's labour market equality*, whether it will ensure that gender-sensitive, sex-disaggregated data informs future labour market analyses.

[S5W-29252](#) Claudia Beamish: To ask the Scottish Government what plans there are to support eco-ambitious building projects that might be at risk because of the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on local authorities and other funding bodies and institutions.

[S5W-29259](#) Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government when dental surgeries may begin to reopen for routine appointments and treatments.

[S5W-29260](#) Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government how many people with a severe learning disability have been issued with a shielding letter.

[S5W-29261](#) Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government whether any plans for the centralisation of health services in NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde will continue, in light of recent statistics that have shown the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on communities in the west of Scotland.

[S5W-29262](#) Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government what plans are in place to ensure that the NHS can cope with a possible second wave of COVID-19 in Winter 2020, when services may already be under strain.

[S5W-29263](#) Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government what PPE is provided to police officers when required to disperse large gatherings.

[S5W-29264](#) Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government what plans are in place to support university students who will be unable to work during the summer months and who may be unable to save for accommodation and other costs when universities return.

[S5W-29265](#) Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government what health and safety risk assessments were carried out in relation to the Scotland v France rugby match on 8 March 2020, in light of the COVID-19 outbreak at the Nike conference in Edinburgh on 26-27 February.

[S5W-29267](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-28382 by Jeane Freeman on 20 May 2020, whether it will publish the correspondence from the Chief Medical Officer on 26 March 2020 to those people considered most at risk from COVID-19.

[S5W-29268](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government whether there is adequate provision of medical tubes, feeding tubes and oxygen being made available to people with muscular disabilities who are being cared for in their own homes during the COVID-19 outbreak.

[S5W-29270](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government what programmes it has in place, and what further measures it plans, to provide free internet devices to low-income and digitally-excluded people.

[S5W-29271](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government what meetings the Minister for Business, Fair Work and Skills has had with representatives of Fair Start Scotland prime contractors since 1 February 2020; who the Minister met, and what was discussed.

[S5W-29272](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the commitment made by the First Minister at a press briefing on 19 May 2020, that "[the Scottish Government] will be investing a further £33 million to support people back to work... most of which will be allocated to Fair Start Scotland", when it will release more information about that provision, and when the funding will be made available.

[S5W-29273](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government whether the Fair Start Scotland programme will be extended into 2021-22, and whether all (a) lots and (b) prime contractors will continue to deliver the service in the same form.

[S5W-29274](#) Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government how much extra money it has put into the Discretionary Housing Payments (DHP) fund since the start of the COVID-19 crisis.

[S5W-29275](#) Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has extended the eligibility criteria for the Discretionary Housing Payments (DHP) fund, in light of the COVID-19 crisis.

[S5W-29276](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that integrated joint boards face emergency budget pressures due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

[S5W-29278](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the financial impact on integration joint boards of the COVID-19 outbreak, and whether it has any plans to review their funding.

[S5W-29279](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its position on publishing the scientific advice it has received that was used as the basis for its decisions on the COVID-19 response since the beginning of the outbreak.

[S5W-29281](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address health inequalities, in response to reports that COVID-19 is more greatly affecting areas of high deprivation.

[S5W-29285](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many applications it has received in respect of the Retail, Hospitality & Leisure Business Grant Scheme, broken down by industry sector, and also by first and subsequent properties.

[S5W-29286](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many properties are eligible for the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Business Grant Scheme, broken down by industry sector.

[S5W-29287](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many applications to the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Business Grant Scheme have been rejected, broken down by industry sector.

[S5W-29289](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government how many additional care home places were purchased by (a) it, (b) local authorities and (c) integration joint boards in each month since January 2020, also broken down by local authority area.

[S5W-29290](#) Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide details of consultations with young people that have been undertaken by the COVID-19 Education Recovery Group.

[S5W-29291](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government what the average cost per week is to keep a patient in hospital, broken down by (a) NHS board and (b) integration joint board area.

[S5W-29292](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government what the average cost per week is to keep a person in a care home, broken down by (a) NHS board and (b) integration joint board area.

[S5W-29293](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government what the average cost per week is to provide social care for an older person, broken down by (a) NHS board and (b) integration joint board area.

S5W-29294 Iain Gray: To ask the Scottish Government what post mortem testing for COVID-19 has been carried out on samples from patients who died prior to February 2020 of COVID-19 like symptoms, and what the results were.

S5W-29296 Colin Smyth: To ask the Scottish Government at what phase of the COVID-19 routemap disabled people who require mobility assistance will be able to receive it from people outwith their household, such as guiding for blind and partially-sighted people.

S5W-29297 Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government how many letters have been sent by each NHS board to people who are shielding during the COVID-19 outbreak, and how many are letters are still outstanding.

S5W-29298 Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason people who are currently receiving working age benefits, such as universal credit, and those who have recently applied but have not yet started receiving such a benefit, are not eligible to apply for the Newly Self-Employed Hardship Fund.

Searching for questions and motions

While this report contains only questions and answers relating to COVID-19, answers to all parliamentary questions can be found in daily written answer reports, which are published [here](#).

All parliamentary questions and answers can also be searched for by keyword, MSP asking, Scottish Government Minister answering, as well as by date and other filters, through the advanced search function on the Parliament's website [here](#).