

PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU

REMOVAL OF MOTIONS FROM THE BUSINESS BULLETIN

Background

1. Admissible motions lodged by Members are published in the Business Bulletin along with the support that each motion attracts.
2. Under Rule 8.2.8 of *Standing Orders*, the Bureau may remove from the list of admissible motions any motion that has been on the list for more than six weeks without a date for it to be taken by the Parliament being appointed in the business programme.

Criteria for removal of motions

3. In relation to motions for Members' Business, the Bureau previously agreed that all motions should be removed from the Bulletin after six weeks (excluding recess time) but that the Bureau will consider the following in removing or retaining motions—
 - a. the motion has the support of at least 30 other Members and these supporters came from more than three political parties (note that in cases where the number of supporters exceeds 30, the topicality of the motion and the extent of the recent support have also been taken into account when making these recommendations); or
 - b. the motion remains highly topical; or
 - c. the motion has been selected for a Members' Business debate.
4. The Business Team checks all Members' Business motions on the list to ensure that any that may fit the criteria are recommended for retention. In addition, at a Bureau meeting, Business Managers may request that certain motions are retained if, for example, the motion is to be debated at a future date.

Removal of motions lodged before 14 March 2023

5. The annex lists all motions marked for Members' Business which are over six weeks old (i.e. those lodged on or before 14 March 2023) and includes the number of supporters and date of the most recent registration of support.
6. Based on the criteria in paragraph 3, it is recommended that the following motion from the attached list be retained—
 - S6M-07973: Jackie Dunbar: VAT Burn Campaign (nominated for Members' Business 9 May)
 - S6M-07769: Evelyn Tweed: National Lyme Disease Awareness Month (nominated for Members' Business 17 May)

7. Business Managers should indicate at the Bureau meeting if wish to retain any of the other motions in the annex.

Conclusion

8. The Bureau is invited to agree that the motions noted above are retained.

**Parliamentary Business Team
May 2023**

Annex: Member's Business motions suggested for removal

Reference	Member Name	Date Lodged	Title	Total Support	Date Last Supported
S6M-06729	Smyth, Colin	20/12/2022	Justice for Fornethy House Survivors	26	18/01/2023
S6M-07164	Clark, Katy	15/12/2022	STUC Report on Taxation Options	4	16/12/2022
S6M-07465	Greene, Jamie	13/01/2023	Proposed Amazon Gourock Site Closure	24	21/02/2023
S6M-07526	Kerr, Stephen	17/01/2023	Biochar Regulation	14	06/02/2023
S6M-07592	Clark, Katy	25/01/2023	Reports of Closure of Gourock Amazon Distribution Centre	9	21/02/2023
S6M-07622	Torrance, David	25/01/2023	Alex James Colquhoun Elected as Vice President of the European Showman's Union	17	07/02/2023
S6M-07623	Choudhury, Foysol	27/01/2023	Importance of School and Nursery Milk Schemes during the Cost of Living Crisis	6	02/03/2023
S6M-07627	Kerr, Stephen	26/01/2023	Whistleblowing Awareness Week 2023	25	21/02/2023
S6M-07634	Tweed, Evelyn	08/02/2023	Vitamin D Supplement Provision in Scotland	24	28/02/2023
S6M-07640	Whittle, Brian	08/02/2023	The Role of Scotland's Marine Environment in Addressing the Climate and Nature Crises	22	02/03/2023
S6M-07769	Tweed, Evelyn	14/02/2023	National Lyme Disease Awareness Month	34	07/03/2023
S6M-07793	Carson, Finlay	08/02/2023	Welcoming the Contribution of Rural Estates to Scotland's Wellbeing Economy	23	08/03/2023

S6M-07897	McMillan, Stuart	17/02/2023	Proposed Closure of Amazon Gourrock	16	28/02/2023
S6M-07924	Thomson, Michelle	21/02/2023	Taliban Suppression of Women and Girls in Afghanistan	29	21/03/2023
S6M-07928	Carlaw, Jackson	17/02/2023	East Renfrewshire Good Causes	28	08/03/2023
S6M-07973	Dunbar, Jackie	06/03/2023	VAT Burn Campaign	20	16/03/2023
S6M-07986	Duncan-Glancy, Pam	02/03/2023	10th Anniversary of the Personal Independence Payment	7	23/03/2023
S6M-07992	Gosal, Pam	24/02/2023	International Women's Day 2023	34	15/03/2023
S6M-08048	Gosal, Pam	02/03/2023	Scottish Apprenticeship Week 2023	32	21/03/2023
S6M-08071	Doris, Bob	28/02/2023	Rare Disease Day 2023	36	16/04/2023
S6M-08090	Lumsden, Douglas	03/03/2023	Condemnation of Aberdeen City Council Defunding Big Noise Torry	4	09/03/2023
S6M-08199	Fraser, Murdo	14/03/2023	Dewars Centre in Perth	29	27/03/2023