



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

# Scottish Parliament Statistics 2006 - 2007

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The statistics in this volume generally cover the fourth Parliamentary year of Session 2, 7 May 2006-2 April 2007.

**Abbreviations**

AB	Airdrie-Bathgate Railway and Linked Improvements Bill Committee
asp	Act of Scottish Parliament
AU	Audit Committee
BB	Budget Bill
CB	Committee Bill
COM	Communities Committee
Con	Scottish Conservative & Unionist Party
Cont.	Continued
CW	Committee of the Whole Parliament
EARL	Edinburgh Airport Rail Link Bill Committee
EB	Emergency Bill
EC	Enterprise and Culture Committee
ED	Education Committee
EO	Equal Opportunities Committee
ERD	Environment and Rural Development Committee
EU	European and External Relations Committee
EU	European Union
Ex	Executive Bill
F	Female
FE	Further Education
FI	Finance Committee
FOI	Freedom of Information
GARL	Glasgow Airport Rail Link Committee
Green	Scottish Green Party
HC	Health Committee
HL	House of Lords, i.e. a House of Lords Bill
Hrs	Hours
Ind	Independent Member, i.e. a Member of the Scottish Parliament not functioning within a political party
J1	Justice 1 Committee
J2	Justice 2 Committee
J2SC	Justice 2 Sub-Committee
Lab	Scottish Labour Party
LD	Scottish Liberal Democrats
LGT	Local Government and Transport Committee
M	Male
MEP	Member of European Parliament
MB	Member's Bill
Mins	Minutes
MSP	Member of the Scottish Parliament
MP	Member of Parliament
n/a	not applicable, or not available
No.	Number
NPA	No Party Affiliation
P	Private Bill
PE	Petition

PE	Public Petitions Committee
PR	Procedures Committee
PY	Parliamentary year (7 May 2006-2 April 2007)
RSSB	Review of SPCB Supported Bodies Committee
S	Substitute Committee Member
S2	Second Session of Parliament
S2M	Session 2 Motion
SI	Statutory Instrument
SL	Subordinate Legislation Committee
SLC	Subordinate Legislation Committee Database
SNP	Scottish National Party
SP	Scottish Parliament
SPCB	Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body
SSP	Scottish Socialist Party
SSCUP	Scottish Senior Citizens Unity Party
ST	Standards and Public Appointments Committee
SSI	Scottish Statutory Instrument
WAV	Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill Committee

# 1. Members

## 1.1 Elections

There are two methods of electing Members to the Scottish Parliament. There are 73 constituency members, based on the UK Parliament constituencies in existence prior to 2004, elected by the first past the post system. A further 56 regional members, 7 for each of the 8 regions used in the European Parliament elections, prior to 1999, were elected using the additional Member System. This is a form of proportional representation using party lists, which ensures that each party's representation in the Parliament reflects its overall share of the vote.

### 1.1.1 May 2003 Election results

Constituencies	Candidates	Votes		Seats won	
		Number	% of total	Number	Change from May 1999
Labour	73	663,585	34.5%	46	-7
Scottish National Party	73	455,772	23.7%	9	2
Conservative	73	318,279	16.6%	3	3
Liberal Democrat	73	294,347	15.3%	13	1
Scottish Socialist Party	70	116,013	6.0%	0	0
Others	28	39,171	2.0%	1	0
Independent	17	34,452	1.8%	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>1,921,619</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>73</b>	

Regional lists	Candidates	Votes		Seats won	
		Number	% of total	Number	Change from May 1999
Labour	56	561,879	29.4%	4	1
Scottish National Party	77	399,659	20.9%	18	-10
Conservative	69	296,929	15.6%	15	-3
Liberal Democrat	67	225,810	11.8%	4	-1
Scottish Green Party	58	132,138	6.9%	7	6
Scottish Socialist Party	76	128,126	6.7%	6	5
Independent	9	31,942	1.7%	1	1
Scottish Senior Citizens Unity Party	19	28,966	1.5%	1	1
Pensioners Party (Scotland)	19	28,655	1.5%	0	0
Socialist Labour Party	62	21,657	1.1%	0	0
United Kingdom Independence Party	41	11,969	0.6%	0	0
People's Alliance	15	7,718	0.4%	0	0
ProLife	14	6,759	0.4%	0	0
Scottish Unionist Party	10	6,113	0.3%	0	0
Others	13	20,274	1.1%	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>1,908,594</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>56</b>	

Source: House of Commons Library research paper 03/46: Scottish Parliament Elections: 1 May 2003. Available at: <http://www.parliament.uk/commons/lib/research/rp2003/rp03-046.pdf>

### 1.1.2 Scottish Parliament by-Elections

There were no by-elections in the eighth parliamentary year.

### 1.2 State of the Parties

At 7 May 2006, start of the eighth parliamentary year.

	Constituency MSPs	Regional MSPs	Total
Scottish Labour	46 <sup>a</sup>	4	50
Scottish National Party	8	17 <sup>b</sup>	25
Scottish Conservative & Unionist Party	3	14 <sup>a</sup>	17
Scottish Liberal Democrats	13	4	17
Scottish Green Party	0	7	7
Scottish Socialist Party	0	6	6
Scottish Senior Citizens' Unity Party	0	1	1
Independent	2	3	5
Presiding Officer (George Reid)	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>129</b>
<sup>a</sup> Includes a deputy Presiding Officer, who can participate and vote when not in Chair.			
<sup>b</sup> Excludes the Presiding Officer, who has no party allegiance while in post			

On 3 September 2006 following the resignation of Tommy Sheridan and Rosemary Byrne from the Scottish Socialist Party

	Constituency MSPs	Regional MSPs	Total
Scottish Labour	46 <sup>a</sup>	4	50
Scottish National Party	8	17 <sup>b</sup>	25
Scottish Conservative & Unionist Party	3	14 <sup>a</sup>	17
Scottish Liberal Democrats	13	4	17
Scottish Green Party	0	7	7
Scottish Socialist Party	0	4	6
Solidarity Group	0	2	2
Scottish Senior Citizens' Unity Party	0	1	1
Independent	2	3	5
Presiding Officer (George Reid)	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>129</b>
<sup>a</sup> Includes a deputy Presiding Officer, who can participate and vote when not in Chair.			
<sup>b</sup> Excludes the Presiding Officer, who has no party allegiance while in post			



### 1.3 MSP Statistics

#### 1.3.1 Dual Mandate MSPs

*Members of Scottish Parliament and other Parliaments or local councils*

	MPs	MEPs	Peers	Councillors
May 2003	0	0	2	1
May 2004	0	0	2	0
May 2005	0	0	2	1
May 2006	0	0	1	2

#### 1.3.2 MSPs by Gender and Ethnic Group

MSPs in the Parliament, 7 May 2006 – 2 April 2007

	Female	Male	Total
Number	50	79	129
From ethnic minorities	0	0	0

#### 1.3.3 Female MSPs by Party

7 May 2006 – 2 September 2006

	Constituency	Regional	Total	As % of all party MSPs	As % of all MSPs
Scottish Labour Party	26	2	28	56%	22%
Scottish National Party	2	7	9	38%	7%
Scottish Conservative & Unionist Party	0	3	3	18%	2%
Scottish Socialist Party	0	4	4	67%	3%
Scottish Liberal Democrats	2	0	2	12%	2%
Scottish Green Party	0	2	2	28%	2%
Independent	1	1	2	100%	2%
<b>Total</b>	31	19	50	39%	39%

3 September 2006 – 2 April 2007, following the resignation of Rosemary Byrne from the Scottish Socialist Party

	Constituency	Regional	Total	As % of all party MSPs	As % of all MSPs
Scottish Labour Party	26	2	28	56%	22%
Scottish National Party	2	7	9	38%	7%
Scottish Conservative & Unionist Party	0	3	3	18%	2%
Scottish Socialist Party	0	3	3	75%	2%
Scottish Liberal Democrats	2	0	2	12%	2%
Scottish Green Party	0	2	2	28%	2%
Solidarity Group	0	1	1	50%	1%
Independent	1	1	2	100%	2%
<b>Total</b>	31	19	50	39%	39%

### 1.3.4 MSP Age Profile

#### Average ages of MSPs at 7 May 2006

	Average age
<i>By Party</i>	
Scottish Labour Party	49
Scottish National Party	50
Scottish Liberal Democrats	53
Scottish Conservative & Unionist Party	54
Scottish Green Party	47
Scottish Socialist Party	46
Scottish Senior Citizens' Unity Party	75
No Party Affiliation	62
Independent	57
<i>By gender</i>	
Females- all parties	51
Males- all parties	51
<b>All MSPs</b>	<b>51</b>

Presiding Officer is included in No Party Affiliation

Deputy Presiding Officers are included in their parties

### 1.4 Officers of the Parliament

#### 1.4.1 Presiding Officers

The **Presiding Officer** is elected by other Members of the Scottish Parliament (MSPs) and is in charge of ensuring that the business of the Parliament is conducted effectively, on time, fairly, and within the rules and in an orderly manner. The Presiding Officer has no party allegiance whilst in the chair. There are also two **Deputy Presiding Officers** who must also act impartially when they are chairing parliamentary meetings; when they are not chairing parliamentary meetings they can play a full part in parliamentary business.

The Presiding Officer and Deputy Presiding Officers continue to serve in post during dissolution and until the election of the next Presiding Officer in a new session.

	Party	Dates of election
<b>Presiding Officer</b>		
George Reid	NPA	7 May 2003
<b>Deputy Presiding Officers</b>		
Trish Godman	Lab	7 May 2003
Murray Tosh	Con	7 May 2003

### 1.4.2 Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body

The **Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body** (SPCB) is chaired by the Presiding Officer and is made up of four members elected by Parliament from its MSPs. It is responsible for ensuring that the Scottish Parliament is provided with the property, staff and services it requires. The SPCB considers and makes decisions on a wide range of issues concerning the running of the Parliament including the financing of the Parliament and allocation of the budget, the staffing of the Parliament, accommodation and the use and the security of parliamentary facilities.

The Presiding Officer continues to serve in post during dissolution and until the election of the next Presiding Officer in a new session.

Members of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body continue to serve in post during dissolution and until the election of replacement members in a new session. This is the case unless an MSP resigns from the SPCB, ceases to be an MSP (other than by dissolution of the Parliament), or the MSP is removed from the SPCB by a resolution of the Parliament.

	Party	Dates of membership
Presiding Officer (George Reid)	NPA	from 7 May 2003
Kenny MacAskill	SNP	from 12 January 2006
Duncan McNeil	Lab	from 21 May 2003
Nora Radcliffe	LD	from 30 June 2005
John Scott	Con	from 21 May 2003

### 1.4.3 Parliamentary Bureau

The **Parliamentary Bureau** consists of the Presiding Officer and representatives of each political party or group in the Parliament which has five or more members. The representatives are nominated by the leader of each party. The main functions of the Parliamentary Bureau are:

- To propose the business programme.
- To propose alterations to the Daily Business List in the Business Bulletin if there should be changes in the advance programme.
- To propose the establishment, remit, membership and duration of any committee or sub-committee.
- To determine any question regarding the competence of a committee to deal with a matter, and, if two or more committees are competent to deal with a matter, to determine which of those committees is to be the lead committee responsible for that matter.

Standing Orders allow Parliamentary Bureau members to arrange for another member to take their place at Bureau meetings by notifying the Presiding Officer in writing in advance.

A deputy Presiding Officer may attend any meeting of the Parliamentary Bureau and may participate in the proceedings but may not vote unless he or she is chairing the meeting in place of the Presiding Officer, when he or she shall have a casting vote.

Members of the Parliamentary Bureau do not continue to serve during dissolution.

	Party	Dates of membership
Presiding Officer (George Reid)	NPA	12 May 2003 – 2 April 2007
Bill Aitken	Con	2 June 2003 – 2 April 2007
Chris Ballance	Green	13 July 2005 – 2 April 2007
Margaret Curran	Lab	4 October 2004 – 2 April 2007
Carolyn Leckie	SSP	12 May 2003 – 5 September 2006
George Lyon	LD	29 June 2003 – 2 April 2007
Margo MacDonald	Ind	9 September 2004 – 2 April 2007
Alasdair Morgan	SNP	5 September 2005 – 2 April 2007

### 1.5 Oaths and affirmations

#### Oaths and Affirmations 7 May 2003 – 2 April 2007

	Oath	Affirmation	Total
Male	50	33	83
Female	26	26	52
<b>Total</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>135</b>

#### By Party

	Oath	Affirmation	Total
Conservative	20	0	20
Green	0	7	7
Labour	32	19	51
LD	13	5	18
SNP	8	21	29
SSP	0	6	6
SSCUP	1	0	1
Independent	2	1	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>135</b>

#### MSPs who repeated the oath or affirmation in another language:

	Gaelic	Doric
Green	1	0
SNP	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

## 1.6 CROSS-PARTY GROUPS IN THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT

### Established between 7 May 2006 - 2 April 2007

- Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Carers **19/12/06**
- Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (name changed from Renewable Energy Group) **23/05/06**
- Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Scotland's Financial Future **12/09/06**
- Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Young People in Scotland Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) **24/10/2007**

### Complete List of Cross Party Groups 7 May 2003 - 2 April 2007

Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament for Construction  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament for Learning Disability  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on a Culture of Peace in Scotland  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Affordable Housing  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Animal Welfare  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Architecture and the Built Environment  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Asthma  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Borders Rail  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Cancer  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Carers  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Children and Young People  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Chronic Pain  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Crofting  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Cuba  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Culture and Media  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Cycling  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Deafness  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Diabetes  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Disability  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Drug and Alcohol Misuse  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Dyslexia  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Electro-magnetic Radiation and Health  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Epilepsy  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Fertility Services  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Food  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Funerals and Bereavement  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Glasgow Crossrail  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Golf  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Human Rights  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Kidney Disease  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Loss of Consultant Led Services in Scotland – Solutions  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Lupus  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on M.E.  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Malawi  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Men's Violence Against Women and Children  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Mental Health  
 Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Nuclear Disarmament

Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Oil and Gas  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Older People, Age and Ageing  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Palestine  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Palliative Care  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Refugees and Asylum Seekers  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency  
(name changed from Renewable Energy Group)  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Rural Policy  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Scotland's Financial Future  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Scottish Traditional Arts  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Scottish Writing and Publishing  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Sexual Health  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Sports  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Sustainable Forestry and Forest Products  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Sustainable Transport (replaced Cross-Party  
Group in the Scottish Parliament on Strategic Rail Services for Scotland and Cross-Party Group  
in the Scottish Parliament on Cycling)  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Tackling Debt  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Tartan Day  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on the Civil Nuclear Industry  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on the Scots Language  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on the Scottish Economy  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Tibet  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Tobacco Control  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Visual Impairment  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Wastes Management  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Women  
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Young People in Scotland Not in Education,  
Employment or Training (NEET)  
Cross-Party Group on Autistic Spectrum Disorder  
Cross-Party Group on Gaelic - Buidheann Thar-Phartaidh na Gàidhlig  
Cross-Party Group on Textiles, Clothing and Footwear  
Cross-Party Group on the Scottish Contemporary Music Industry  
Cross-Party International Development Group of the Scottish Parliament  
Renewable Energy Group

## 2. Plenary meetings

### 2.1 Calendar

Date	Start	End	Start/ Restart	End	Total	
					Hrs	Mins
Wednesday 10 May 2006	14.15	14.52	14.57	16.57		
Wednesday 10 May 2006 cont.			16.59	18.00	3	38
Thursday 11 May 2006	09.15	10.09	10.29	12.33		
Thursday 11 May 2006 cont.			14.15	17.30	6	13
Wednesday 17 May 2006			14.00	18.15	4	15
Thursday 18 May 2006	09.15	12.34	14.15	17.34	6	38
Wednesday 24 May 2006			14.30	17.57	3	27
Thursday 25 May 2006	09.15	11.04	11.09	11.37		
Thursday 25 May 2006 cont.	11.40	12.32	14.15	17.44	6	38
Wednesday 31 May 2006	14.00	14.22	14.27	17.07		
Wednesday 31 May 2006			17.09	17.49	3	42
<b>Total from 7 May 2006</b>					<b>34</b>	<b>31</b>
Thursday 1 June 2006	09.15	12.31	14.15	17.38	6	39
Wednesday 7 June 2006			14.30	17.44	3	14
Thursday 8 June 2006	09.15	12.31	14.15	17.49	6	50
Wednesday 14 June 2006	14.00	15.19	15.24	16.14		
Wednesday 14 June 2006 cont.			16.16	17.55	3	48
Thursday 15 June 2006	09.15	10.07	11.40	12.34		
Thursday 15 June 2006 cont.	14.15	16.20	16.30	17.49	5	10
Wednesday 21 June 2006			14.30	17.55	3	25
Thursday 22 June 2006	09.15	10.35	10.40	10.42		
Thursday 22 June 2006 cont.	11.40	12.34	14.15	16.55	4	56
Wednesday 28 June 2006			14.30	18.00	3	30
Thursday 29 June 2006	09.15	12.31	14.15	17.03	6	04
<b>Total June 2006</b>					<b>43</b>	<b>36</b>
Wednesday 6 September 2006			14.00	18.13	4	13
Thursday 7 September 2006	09.15	12.33	14.15	17.30	6	33
Wednesday 13 September 2006			14.30	17.43	3	13
Thursday 14 September 2006	09.15	12.30	14.15	18.01	7	01
Wednesday 20 September 2006			14.30	18.00	3	30
Thursday 21 September 2006	09.15	12.31	14.15	17.39	6	40
Wednesday 27 September 2006			14.30	17.54	3	24
Thursday 28 September 2006	09.15	12.34	14.15	17.47	6	51
<b>Total September 2006</b>					<b>41</b>	<b>25</b>
Wednesday 4 October 2006			14.00	17.41	3	41
Thursday 5 October 2006	09.15	12.32	14.15	17.39	6	41
Wednesday 25 October 2006	09.00	12.59	14.30	16.57		
Wednesday 25 October 2006 cont.			17.00	17.42	7	08
Thursday 26 October 2006	09.15	12.31	14.15	17.44	6	45
<b>Total October 2006</b>					<b>24</b>	<b>15</b>
Wednesday 1 November 2006			14.30	17.46	3	16
Thursday 2 November 2006	0915	12.36	14.15	15.48		
Thursday 2 November 2006 cont.			15.53	18.32	7	33
Wednesday 8 November 2006			14.30	17.59	3	29

Date	Start	End	Start/ Restart	End	Total	
					Hrs	Mins
Thursday 9 November 2006	09.15	12.31	14.15	17.51	6	52
Wednesday 15 November 2006	14.30	15.06	15.11	18.30	3	55
Thursday 16 November 2006	09.15	09.25	09.30	12.32		
Thursday 16 November 2006 cont.	14.15	15.28	15.33	17.51	6	43
Wednesday 22 November 2006			14.15	18.11	3	56
Thursday 23 November 2006	09.15	12.32	14.15	17.47	6	49
Wednesday 29 November 2006			14.30	18.10	3	40
Thursday 30 November 2006	09.15	09.19	09.24	12.33		
Thursday 30 November 2006 cont.	14.15	15.08	15.11	17.41	6	36
<b>Total November 2006</b>					<b>52</b>	<b>49</b>
Wednesday 6 December 2006	14.30	16.57	16.59	18.04	3	32
Thursday 7 December 2006	09.15	09.36	09.41	11.39		
Thursday 7 December 2006 cont.	11.40	12.30	14.15	15.51		
Thursday 7 December 2006 cont.			15.55	18.16	7	06
Wednesday 13 December 2006			14.00	17.37	3	37
Thursday 14 December 2006	09.15	09.18	09.23	12.33		
Thursday 14 December 2006 cont.	14.15	15.14	15.19	18.06	6	59
Wednesday 20 December 2006	10.00	12.00	14.00	18.11	6	11
Thursday 21 December 2006	09.15	13.02	14.15	17.10	6	42
<b>Total December 2006</b>					<b>34</b>	<b>07</b>
Wednesday 10 January 2007	14.30	16.58	17.00	17.54	3	22
Thursday 11 January 2007	09.15	12.32	14.15	16.59		
Thursday 11 January 2007 cont.			17.00	17.31	6	32
Wednesday 17 January 2007			14.00	18.48	4	48
Thursday 18 January 2007	09.15	09.43	09.48	11.24		
Thursday 18 January 2007 cont.	11.40	12.32	14.15	16.26	5	07
Wednesday 24 January 2007			14.30	17.53	3	23
Thursday 25 January 2007	09.15	09.35	09.40	11.34		
Thursday 25 January 2007 cont.	11.40	12.33	14.15	17.41	6	33
Wednesday 31 January 2007			14.30	17.47	3	17
<b>Total January 2007</b>					<b>33</b>	<b>02</b>
Thursday 1 February 2007	09.15	12.33	14.15	16.44		
Thursday 1 February 2007 cont.			17.00	17.44	6	31
Wednesday 7 February 2007			14.30	17.46	3	16
Thursday 8 February 2007	09.15	12.29	14.15	15.19		
Thursday 8 February 2007 cont.			15.24	17.39	5	42
Wednesday 14 February 2007			14.30	17.58	3	28
Thursday 15 February 2007	09.15	11.29	11.40	12.33		
Thursday 15 February 2007 cont.	14.15	15.06	15.11	16.44		
Thursday 15 February 2007 cont.			17.00	17.53	6	24
Wednesday 21 February 2007			14.30	17.38	3	08
Thursday 22 February 2007	09.15	12.33	14.15	17.46	6	49
Wednesday 28 February 2007	14.30	15.01	15.06	18.21	3	46
<b>Total February 2007</b>					<b>39</b>	<b>04</b>
Thursday 1 March 2007	09.15	12.33	14.15	15.07		
Thursday 1 March 2007 cont.			15.12	17.50	6	48
Wednesday 7 March 2007	10.00	10.56	11.00	12.17		
Wednesday 7 March 2007 cont.			14.30	17.45	5	28
Thursday 8 March 2007	09.15	10.49	10.54	11.11		



Date	Start	End	Start/ Restart	End	Total	
					Hrs	Mins
Thursday 8 March 2007 cont.	11.40	12.30	14.15	16.41	5	07
Wednesday 14 March 2007	10.00	10.21	10.26	12.55		
Wednesday 14 March 2007 cont.	14.30	16.49	17.00	17.37	5	46
Thursday 15 March 2007	09.15	09.32	09.37	11.33		
Thursday 15 March 2007 cont.	11.40	13.13	14.15	16.49	6	20
Wednesday 21 March 2007			14.30	17.46	3	16
Thursday 22 March 2007	09.15	13.15	14.15	17.51	7	36
Wednesday 28 March 2007			14.30	17.56	3	26
Thursday 29 March 2007			09.15	13.03	3	48
<b>Total March 2007</b>					<b>47</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Parliamentary year total</b>					<b>350</b>	<b>24</b>

## 2.2 Recess Dates

Start	End
01 July 2006	03 September 2006
07 October 2006	22 October 2006
23 December 2006	07 January 2007

## 3. Plenary Business

### 3.1 Division of Time on Parliamentary Business

Type of business	Number of meetings or parts of meetings	Hrs	Min
<b>Bills</b>			
Executive Bills			
Stage 1	15	31	01
Stage 2 (Committee of the Whole Parliament)	0	0	00
Stage 3	21	45	00
Business Motions	17	1	18
Financial Resolutions	11	0	07
Motion to pass	15	12	08
Reconsideration Stage	0	0	00
<b>Total time spent on Executive Bills</b>		<b>89</b>	<b>34</b>
Members Bills			
Stage 1	1	6	42
Stage 2 (Committee of the Whole Parliament)	0	0	00
Stage 3	1	2	00
Financial Resolutions	1	0	01
Motion to pass	1	1	12
Reconsideration Stage	0	0	00
<b>Total time spent on Members Bills</b>		<b>9</b>	<b>55</b>
Committee Bills			
Stage 1	0	0	00
Stage 2	0	0	00
Stage 3	1	0	08
Financial Resolutions	0	0	00
Motion to pass	1	0	53
Reconsideration Stage	0	0	00
<b>Total time spent on Committee Bills</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>01</b>
Private Bills			
Preliminary Stage	3	6	55
Final Stage	3	3	32
Business motion	1	0	02
Financial Resolutions	3	0	01
Motion to pass	4	3	58
Reconsideration Stage	0	0	00
<b>Total time spent on Private Bills</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>28</b>
Emergency Bills			
Stage 1	1	0	49
Stage 2	1	0	29
Stage 3	0	0	00

Business Motion	1	0	03
Motion to pass	1	0	21
<b>Total time spent on Emergency Bills</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>Statutory Instruments</b>			
Motion to approve (affirmative)	20	0	15
Motion to annul (negative)	0	0	00
<b>Total time spent on Statutory Instruments</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Other Motions relating to Legislation</b>			
Sewel Motions	7	1	34
<b>Total time spent on Other Motions</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Parliamentary Bureau Motions</b>			
Business motions (not including Bills)	36	3	58
Committee Establishment and Membership	13	0	10
Designation of lead committee	4	0	02
Decision Time	67	6	00
Suspension of Standing Orders	3	0	01
<b>Total time spent on Parliamentary Bureau Motions</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Motions for debate</b>			
Scottish Executive	23	40	56
Scottish National Party	9	19	00
Conservative	6	13	25
Liberal Democrats	0	0	00
Green	2	4	50
Scottish Socialist Party	2	3	39
Scottish Senior Citizens' Unity Party	1	1	16
Dennis Canavan	0	0	00
Margo MacDonald	1	1	32
Jean Turner	1	1	45
Brian Monteith	1	1	00
All Party	0	0	00
Committee	14	22	28
Members' Business	65	43	56
Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body	3	1	35
<b>Total time spent on motions</b>		<b>155</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Debate without motion</b>			
Scottish Executive	3	5	30
<b>Total time spent on Debate without motion</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Oral Questions</b>			
Scottish Executive	35	34	00
First Minister	34	17	53
Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body (from 13 February 2004)	1	0	18
Emergency	1	0	09
<b>Total time spent on questions</b>		<b>52</b>	<b>20</b>

<b>Statements</b>			
Scottish Executive (including debates on statements)	7	4	36
Presiding Officer (including rulings)	5	0	08
<b>Total time spent on statements</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Other matters</b>			
Points of order	30	1	13
Time for Reflection	33	2	10
Motion without notice	11	0	06
Oaths and Affirmations	0	0	00
Elections/Appointment of Ministers and Junior Ministers	2	0	16
Elections/Appointment of Presiding Officer/Deputy Presiding Officers	0	0	00
Committee of the Regions Membership	1	0	01
Deputy Scottish Public Services Ombudsman	1	0	04
Addresses to Parliament:	0	0	00
HM The Queen	0	0	00
Others	0	0	00
One Minute's Silence	0	0	00
<b>Total time spent on other matters</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Total time spent during the parliamentary year</b>		<b>350</b>	<b>26</b>

### 3.2 Time for reflection

Time for reflection is the first item of business at a meeting of the Parliament on Wednesday where a person, on the invitation of the Parliament, addresses it (and the Scottish people) for up to 4 minutes. The pattern of speakers reflects the balance of beliefs in Scotland

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Total</b>
Buddhist	1	0	1
Christian	0	1	1
Church of Scotland	10	0	10
Hindu	0	1	1
Jewish Community	1	0	1
Methodist Church	1	0	1
Mormon	0	1	1
Muslim Community	1	0	1
Roman Catholic Church	6	1	7
Salvation Army	0	1	1
Scottish Episcopal Church	1	0	1
Sikh	1	0	1
Unitarian	1	0	1
No religion	2	4	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>34</b>

**3.3.1 (a) (i) General Oral questions Lodged**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	102	163	0	0	125	62	164	98	99	131	157	<b>1101</b>
SNP	42	70	0	0	62	40	85	50	47	73	85	<b>554</b>
Con	28	43	0	0	27	22	46	28	19	41	42	<b>296</b>
LD	34	59	0	0	47	24	61	36	29	48	59	<b>397</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	4	6	2	0	4	4	<b>20</b>
SSCUP	2	1	0	0	1	1	4	3	1	0	1	<b>14</b>
SSP	11	13	0	0	7	7	17	6	7	15	14	<b>97</b>
Green	19	30	0	0	24	12	30	17	19	24	31	<b>206</b>
Dennis Canavan	3	5	0	0	4	2	5	3	3	2	5	<b>32</b>
Margo MacDonald	2	2	0	0	2	1	5	3	2	2	2	<b>21</b>
Jean Turner	3	4	0	0	4	1	3	2	1	0	1	<b>19</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>2757</b>

**3.3.1 (a) (ii) General Oral questions selected** (this includes questions which may not be answered in the Chamber)

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sept 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	13	16	0	0	20	7	27	14	10	14	23	<b>144</b>
SNP	7	14	0	0	12	1	10	6	6	10	11	<b>77</b>
Con	4	8	0	0	1	1	2	4	0	5	4	<b>29</b>
LD	2	5	0	0	5	3	6	1	8	5	7	<b>42</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	<b>1</b>
SSCUP	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
SSP	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	<b>7</b>
Green	2	3	0	0	1	6	1	3	5	3	2	<b>26</b>
Dennis Canavan	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
Margo MacDonald	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	<b>4</b>
Jean Turner	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	<b>3</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>335</b>

**3.3.1 (b) (i) Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport oral questions lodged**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	34	32	0	0	64	0	66	33	33	33	64	<b>359</b>
SNP	15	15	0	0	27	0	26	16	15	19	33	<b>166</b>
Con	10	6	0	0	16	0	14	8	4	9	16	<b>83</b>
LD	12	12	0	0	24	0	24	12	5	12	24	<b>125</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	2	<b>5</b>
SSCUP	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	<b>4</b>
SSP	4	2	0	0	2	0	7	3	0	4	4	<b>26</b>
Green	6	5	0	0	11	0	12	7	5	6	14	<b>66</b>
Dennis Canavan	1	1	0	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	2	<b>9</b>
Margo MacDonald	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	1	<b>6</b>
Jean Turner	1	1	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	<b>6</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>855</b>

**3.3.1 (b) (ii) Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport oral questions selected**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	3	3	0	0	5	0	8	1	5	5	11	<b>41</b>
SNP	1	0	0	0	5	0	5	2	2	2	6	<b>23</b>
Con	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	1	<b>8</b>
LD	2	1	0	0	5	0	4	2	1	3	0	<b>18</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
SSCUP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
SSP	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	<b>3</b>
Green	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	<b>8</b>
Dennis Canavan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Margo MacDonald	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
Jean Turner	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	<b>3</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>105</b>

**3.3.1 (c) (i) Education, Tourism and Culture oral questions lodged**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	33	64	0	0	30	31	65	33	33	33	62	<b>384</b>
SNP	13	25	0	0	14	18	35	16	12	16	34	<b>183</b>
Con	10	16	0	0	5	12	24	8	9	12	15	<b>111</b>
LD	11	23	0	0	12	12	24	12	12	12	21	<b>139</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	<b>3</b>
SSCUP	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	<b>5</b>
SSP	5	6	0	0	3	3	7	2	3	4	7	<b>40</b>
Green	7	13	0	0	7	7	11	5	7	7	13	<b>77</b>
Dennis Canavan	1	2	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	1	2	<b>11</b>
Margo MacDonald	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	1	<b>8</b>
Jean Turner	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	<b>5</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>966</b>

**3.3.1 (c) (ii) Education, Tourism and Culture oral questions selected**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	5	12	0	0	3	3	6	3	6	3	5	<b>46</b>
SNP	1	2	0	0	4	2	5	2	1	2	1	<b>20</b>
Con	0	3	0	0	0	2	3	1	0	2	1	<b>12</b>
LD	2	3	0	0	2	3	0	2	1	2	1	<b>16</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
SSCUP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
SSP	1	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	<b>6</b>
Green	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	1	2	<b>9</b>
Dennis Canavan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Margo MacDonald	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Jean Turner	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>110</b>



**3.3.1 (d) (i) Finance and Communities oral questions lodged**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	34	65	0	0	31	31	33	32	33	65	32	<b>356</b>
SNP	12	24	0	0	12	18	34	15	13	15	36	<b>179</b>
Con	10	17	0	0	5	12	24	8	9	12	15	<b>112</b>
LD	11	23	0	0	11	12	24	12	12	12	21	<b>138</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	<b>4</b>
SSCUP	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	<b>5</b>
SSP	4	6	0	0	2	3	7	2	3	4	7	<b>38</b>
Green	7	13	0	0	7	7	11	5	7	7	12	<b>76</b>
Dennis Canavan	1	2	0	0	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	<b>12</b>
Margo MacDonald	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	1	<b>8</b>
Jean Turner	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	<b>5</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>933</b>

**3.3.1 (d) (ii) Finance and Communities oral questions selected**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	4	5	0	0	3	6	6	3	4	7	4	<b>42</b>
SNP	1	2	0	0	3	0	5	1	4	1	3	<b>20</b>
Con	2	2	0	0	1	2	5	1	2	1	0	<b>16</b>
LD	3	3	0	0	2	2	3	2	3	2	1	<b>21</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	<b>1</b>
SSCUP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
SSP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	<b>3</b>
Green	0	3	0	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	<b>8</b>
Dennis Canavan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Margo MacDonald	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
Jean Turner	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>112</b>

**3.3.1. (e) (i) Environment and Rural Development oral questions lodged**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	34	65	0	0	31	31	33	32	33	65	32	<b>356</b>
SNP	13	25	0	0	18	17	15	17	15	34	13	<b>167</b>
Con	8	19	0	0	6	10	9	12	7	21	12	<b>104</b>
LD	12	24	0	0	11	12	12	12	12	24	12	<b>131</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	2	0	<b>6</b>
SSCUP	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	<b>4</b>
SSP	2	5	0	0	2	4	4	1	4	8	3	<b>33</b>
Green	7	13	0	0	7	5	7	5	7	12	5	<b>68</b>
Dennis Canavan	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	<b>9</b>
Margo MacDonald	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	<b>8</b>
Jean Turner	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	<b>7</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>893</b>

**3.3.1. (e) (ii) Environment and Rural Development oral questions selected**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	4	5	0	0	3	6	6	3	4	7	4	<b>42</b>
SNP	3	1	0	0	3	1	2	2	1	4	0	<b>17</b>
Con	0	5	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	2	1	<b>11</b>
LD	1	4	0	0	2	2	0	3	1	2	3	<b>18</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	<b>2</b>
SSCUP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
SSP	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
Green	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	3	1	<b>12</b>
Dennis Canavan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	<b>1</b>
Margo MacDonald	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	<b>1</b>
Jean Turner	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>105</b>

**3.3.1. (f) (i) Health and Community Care oral questions lodged**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	34	65	0	0	31	31	33	32	33	65	32	<b>356</b>
SNP	16	29	0	0	20	19	18	18	15	30	13	<b>178</b>
Con	8	20	0	0	6	11	9	12	7	21	12	<b>106</b>
LD	12	24	0	0	11	0	12	12	12	24	12	<b>119</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	2	0	<b>6</b>
SSCUP	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	<b>5</b>
SSP	2	5	0	0	2	4	4	1	4	8	3	<b>33</b>
Green	7	13	0	0	7	5	7	5	7	12	5	<b>68</b>
Dennis Canavan	1	2	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	<b>10</b>
Margo MacDonald	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	<b>8</b>
Jean Turner	1	2	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	<b>9</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>898</b>

**3.3.1. (f) (ii) Health and Community Care oral questions selected**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	3	6	0	0	1	1	4	5	3	9	5	<b>37</b>
SNP	2	6	0	0	4	5	2	3	3	8	1	<b>34</b>
Con	2	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	1	2	<b>11</b>
LD	1	3	0	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	<b>9</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
SSCUP	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
SSP	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	<b>5</b>
Green	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	<b>4</b>
Dennis Canavan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Margo MacDonald	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	<b>2</b>
Jean Turner	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	<b>2</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>105</b>

**3.3.1 (g) (i) Justice and Law Officers oral questions lodged**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	34	32	0	0	64	0	66	33	33	33	64	<b>359</b>
SNP	16	17	0	0	28	0	29	16	16	21	35	<b>178</b>
Con	10	6	0	0	16	0	14	8	4	8	15	<b>81</b>
LD	12	12	0	0	24	0	24	12	5	12	24	<b>125</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	<b>5</b>
SSCUP	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	<b>3</b>
SSP	4	2	0	0	2	0	7	3	0	4	4	<b>26</b>
Green	5	4	0	0	10	0	12	0	5	5	14	<b>55</b>
Dennis Canavan	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	1	1		2	<b>10</b>
Margo MacDonald	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	1	<b>6</b>
Jean Turner	1	1	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	<b>6</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>854</b>

**3.3.1 (g) (ii) Justice and Law Officers oral questions selected**

Party	From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Total
Lab	5	5	0	0	10	0	6	5	4	3	4	<b>42</b>
SNP	1	2	0	0	3	0	5	1	4	1	3	<b>20</b>
Con	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	2	<b>6</b>
LD	1	1	0	0	4	0	5	0	1	1	6	<b>19</b>
Solidarity Group	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	<b>1</b>
SSCUP	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
SSP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	<b>3</b>
Green	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	<b>7</b>
Dennis Canavan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Margo MacDonald	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Jean Turner	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>100</b>

The total number of oral questions lodged during the parliamentary year was **8156**

The total number of oral questions selected during the parliamentary year was **972**

**3.3.2 (a) SPCB Questions lodged**

<b>Party</b>	<b>From 7 May 2006</b>	<b>Jun 2006</b>	<b>Jul 2006</b>	<b>Aug 2006</b>	<b>Sep 2006</b>	<b>Oct 2006</b>	<b>Nov 2006</b>	<b>Dec 2006</b>	<b>Jan 2007</b>	<b>Feb 2007</b>	<b>Mar 2007</b>	<b>Total</b>
Lab	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
SNP	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	<b>4</b>
Con	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
LD	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
Solidarity Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
SSCUP	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
SSP	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
Green	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
Dennis Canavan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Margo MacDonald	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Jean Turner	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>

The total number of SPCB questions lodged during the parliamentary year was **9**

**3.3.2 (b) SPCB Questions selected**

<b>Party</b>	<b>From 7 May 2006</b>	<b>Jun 2006</b>	<b>Jul 2006</b>	<b>Aug 2006</b>	<b>Sep 2006</b>	<b>Oct 2006</b>	<b>Nov 2006</b>	<b>Dec 2006</b>	<b>Jan 2007</b>	<b>Feb 2007</b>	<b>Mar 2007</b>	<b>Total</b>
Lab	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
SNP	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	<b>4</b>
Con	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
LD	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
Solidarity Group	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
SSCUP	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
SSP	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
Green	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
Dennis Canavan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Margo MacDonald	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Jean Turner	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Campbell Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Brian Monteith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>

The total number of SPCB questions selected during the parliamentary year was **9**

### 3.3.3 Emergency Questions

There was 1 emergency question asked during the parliamentary year, on 1 June 2006 by David Davidson (Con) on the subject of the Lord President.

### 3.3.4 First Minister's Questions

Party	From 7 May 06	Jun 06	Jul 06	Aug 06	Sep 06	Oct 06	Nov 06	Dec 06	Jan 07	Feb 07	Mar 07	Total
Lab	12	21	0	0	13	7	20	7	8	16	9	<b>113</b>
SNP	15	21	0	0	24	10	25	11	14	19	20	<b>159</b>
Con	8	12	0	0	10	3	12	7	7	14	10	<b>83</b>
LD	7	6	0	0	7	3	10	2	4	3	6	<b>48</b>
Solidarity Group	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	<b>3</b>
SSCUP	1	4	0	0	0	1	5	3	1	2	4	<b>21</b>
SSP	1	2	0	0	1	2	5	1	3	6	4	<b>25</b>
Green	2	2	0	0	7	1	3	3	3	2	3	<b>26</b>
Dennis Canavan	2	5	0	0	4	2	4	3	0	1	3	<b>24</b>
Margo MacDonald	2	1	0	0	3	2	3	2	2	3	2	<b>20</b>
Jean Turner	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	<b>2</b>
Campbell Martin	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	<b>4</b>
Brian Monteith	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>529</b>

The total number of First Minister's questions lodged during the parliamentary year was **529**

### 3.3.5 Written Questions

Party	From 7 May 06	Jun 06	Jul 06	Aug 06	Sept 06	Oct 06	Nov 06	Dec 06	Jan 07	Feb 07	Mar 07	Total
Lab	104	180	33	38	95	88	85	92	129	107	132	<b>1083</b>
SNP	383	374	211	262	457	316	438	239	526	283	289	<b>3778</b>
Con	64	76	91	43	68	54	190	50	21	44	22	<b>723</b>
LD	56	47	16	30	37	32	42	26	41	19	22	<b>368</b>
Solidarity Group	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	16	69	42	27	21	27	41	<b>243</b>
SSCUP	7	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	<b>10</b>
SSP	46	33	17	16	27	13	41	21	29	28	4	<b>275</b>
Green	36	34	25	33	15	17	36	27	19	33	38	<b>313</b>
Dennis Canavan	2	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	4	0	1	<b>12</b>
Margo MacDonald	0	0	0	0	4	7	1	0	6	0	4	<b>22</b>
Jean Turner	2	18	5	3	5	19	2	0	0	0	19	<b>73</b>
Campbell Martin	1	1	3	3	2	2	2	0	0	0	4	<b>18</b>
Brian Monteith	17	6	5	4	2	1	4	1	0	0	0	<b>40</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>718</b>	<b>773</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>883</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>6958</b>

The total number of written questions lodged during the parliamentary year was **6958**

### 3.4 Motions

#### 3.4.1 Motions by party

Party or on behalf of bodies by Party Members	From 7 May 06	Jun 06	Jul 06	Aug 06	Sep 06	Oct 06	Nov 06	Dec 06	Jan 07	Feb 07	Mar 07	Apr 07	To 6 May 07	Total
Labour	61	55	3	18	51	40	47	40	48	67	38	0	0	<b>468</b>
SNP	27	41	13	12	40	18	39	18	23	20	27	0	0	<b>278</b>
Con	9	9	10	4	16	14	22	9	17	20	16	0	0	<b>146</b>
LD	14	7	1	14	14	14	20	13	18	19	6	0	0	<b>140</b>
SSCUP	2	0	0	0	2	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	<b>9</b>
SSP	6	18	3	2	16	28	18	15	18	6	8	0	0	<b>138</b>
Green	9	12	7	3	14	14	12	10	9	13	10	0	0	<b>113</b>
Solidarity	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	14	25	41	13	12	21	8	1	0	<b>135</b>
Dennis Canavan	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	<b>8</b>
Margo MacDonald	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	<b>6</b>
Jean Turner	0	2	0	0	2	3	1	0	1	1	4	0	0	<b>14</b>
Campbell Martin	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	4	0	0	<b>9</b>
Brian Monteith	1	1	4	0	3	4	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	<b>17</b>
Committee	6	1	0	0	4	4	2	4	5	0	1	0	0	<b>27</b>
Parliamentary Bureau	5	25	0	0	10	13	8	11	14	7	20	0	0	<b>113</b>
SPCB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Lord Advocate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1621</b>

The total number of motions lodged during the parliamentary year was **1621**

#### 3.4.2 Motions without notice

Reason	Agreed	Disagreed	Total
to extend the time for debate	4	0	4
to change decision time	6	0	6
to change of business	2	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>

#### 3.4.3 Suspension of Standing Orders

There were 3 motions to suspend Standing Orders during the parliamentary year:

S2M-4546 agreed  
 S2M-4633 agreed  
 S2M-5463 agreed



### 3.4.4 Members' business motions

Members' business motions were lodged by MSPs from the following parties:

Party	Female	Male	Total
Lab	43	10	53
SNP	15	10	25
Con	7	12	19
LD	3	8	11
Green	0	3	3
Solidarity Group	0	0	0
SSCUP	n/a	0	0
SSP	0	4	4
Dennis Canavan	n/a	1	1
Margo MacDonald	1	n/a	1
Jean Turner	1	n/a	1
Campbell Martin	n/a	0	0
Brian Monteith	n/a	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>119</b>

Members' business motions were discussed at the initiative of MSPs from following parties:

Party	Female	Male	Total
Lab	20	8	28
SNP	6	9	15
Con	0	10	10
LD	3	6	9
Green	0	3	3
Solidarity Group	0	0	0
SSCUP	n/a	0	0
SSP	0	1	1
Dennis Canavan	n/a	0	0
Margo MacDonald	1	n/a	1
Jean Turner	1	n/a	1
Campbell Martin	n/a	0	0
Brian Monteith	n/a	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>68</b>

### 3.4.5 Legislative Consent Memorandums and Motions

Legislative consent Memorandums lodged	Supplementary Memorandums lodged	Legislative consent motions lodged	Legislative consent motions passed
7	0	6	8

### 3.5 Ministerial statements

Minister/Law Officer making the statement	7 May 2006- 2 April 2007
First Minister	0
Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning	0
Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning	0
Minister for Communities	1
Deputy Minister for Communities	0
Minister for Education and Young People	0
Deputy Minister for Education and Young People	0
Minister for Environment and Rural Development	0
Deputy Minister for Environment and Rural Development	1
Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform	3
Deputy Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform	0
Minister for Health and Community Care	0
Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care	0
Minister for Justice	0
Deputy Minister for Justice	0
Minister for Parliamentary Business	1
Deputy Minister for Parliamentary Business	0
Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport	0
Minister for Transport	0
Lord Advocate	0
Solicitor General for Scotland	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>

### 3.6 Presiding Officer's Rulings on Points of Order

From 7 May 2006	June 2006	July 2006	August 2006	Sept 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	March 2007	Total
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	2	5

### 3.7 Electronic votes

From 7 May 2006	June 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	To 2 Apr 2007	Total
51	21	30	14	99	52	34	42	74	0	417

Figures are for all electronic votes taken in the chamber including all votes on amendments.

## 4. Committees

### 4.1 Committee Membership

The following table lists the MSPs and those committees of which they were members during the parliamentary year. Dates of service are given under each individual committee in section 4.3. Committee abbreviations are listed at the front of this publication.

A committee usually has between five and fifteen MSPs as members. Committee members are selected having regard to the balance of political parties in the Parliament. Membership of committees is proposed by the Parliamentary Bureau. The whole Parliament approves suggestions as to which MSPs are to be members of what committee.

Each political party which has two or more MSPs may nominate one of its members to be the party's substitute on each committee. The main role of the committee substitute is to stand in for a committee member of the same party if that member is unavailable for a committee meeting or is unable to act as a committee member at any other time because of illness, family circumstances, adverse travel conditions beyond the member's control, a requirement to attend to other Parliamentary business or urgent constituency business. Substitute members (S) are therefore not full time members of committees.

#### 4.1.1 Committee Membership

Adam, Brian	ST J1(S)	Curran, Frances	EO EO(S) PE(S)
Aitken, Bill	J1 (S)	Davidson, David	J2 AU(S)
Alexander, Wendy	ED FI EU(S)	Deacon, Susan	AU EC PE(S)
Arbuckle, Andrew	FI GARL LGT ERD(S)	Douglas-Hamilton, James	ED ST(S)
Baillie, Jackie	ED1 J2 J2SC PE EO(S)	Eadie, Helen	ED1 HC PE
Baird, Shiona	EC COM(S)	Ewing, Fergus	LGT
Baker, Richard	FI(S)	Fabiani, Linda	EU ST EO(S)
Ballance, Chris	EC PR ED(S)	Fergusson, Alex	J2SC ST ERD(S)
	PR AU(S)	Fox, Colin	J2 LGT(S) PE(S)
	COM(S)	Fraser, Murdo	EC PR(S)
Ballard, Mark	FI EC(S)	Gallie, Phil	AB ED1 EU PE(S)
Barrie, Scott	COM EARL	Gibson, Rob	ED1 ERD PE(S)
Boyack, Sarah	ERD	Gillon, Karen	EC PR J1(S)
Brocklebank, Ted	ERD WAV SL(S)	Glen, Marlyn	EO GARL J1 AU(S)
Brownlee, Derek	FI EU(S)	Godman, Trish	ERD (S)
Butler, Bill	J2 ST	Gordon, Charlie	EARL EU PE
Byrne, Rosemary	ED EO(S)	Gorrie, Donald	PR ST EC(S)
	LGT(S)	Grahame, Christine	COM EARL
Canavan, Dennis	EU	Harper, Robin	AU PR FI(S)
Chisholm, Malcolm	FI	Harvie, Patrick	COM PR(S)
Craigie, Cathie	COM PR J2(S)	Home Robertson, John	COM EU J2SC
Crawford, Bruce	EU	Hughes, Janis	AB HC SL FI(S)
Cunningham, Roseanna	HC		

Hyslop, Fiona	ED EC(S)	Munro, John Farquhar	PE LGT(S)
Ingram, Adam	ED SL	Murray, Elaine	ED FI LGT(S)
Jackson, Sylvia	LGT SL	Neil, Alex	EC FI(S)
Jackson, Gordon	EU FI SL WAV	Oldfather, Irene	EU PR(S)
Jamieson, Margaret	AU GARL EC(S)	Peacock, Peter	ERD
Johnstone, Alex	PR COM(S)	Peattie, Cathy	AB EO
Kane, Rosie	PE ED(S)	Petrie, Dave	COM HC(S)
Leckie, Carolyn	EO J2(S)	Pringle, Mike	J1 J2(S)
Livingstone, Marilyn	ED EO EU(S)	Purvis, Jeremy	AB J2 J2SC
Lochhead, Richard	ERD EU(S)		ERD(S)
MacAskill, Kenny	J2SC J2(S)	Radcliffe, Nora	EO ERD EU(S)
Macintosh, Ken	ED SL HC(S)	Robison, Shona	HC
Maclean, Kate	HC PR	Robson, Euan	COM HC SL
Macmillan, Maureen	ERD J2 SL (S)	Rumbles, Mike	LGT COM(S)
Martin, Campbell	PE	Ruskell, Mark	ERD ERD(S)
Martin, Paul	LGT ST(S)	Scott, Eleanor	AU ERD AU(S)
Marwick, Tricia	COM WAV PR(S)		ERD(S)
Mather, Jim	FI ERD(S)	Scott, John	PE FI(S)
Matheson, Michael	EC GARL J2	Sheridan, Tommy	LGT ED(S)
Maxwell, Stewart	EC J2 SL HC(S)	Smith, Elaine	EO ERD
May, Christine	EC ST WAV	Smith, Iain	EARL ED FI(S)
	COM(S)	Smith, Margaret	AU EO WAV
McAveety, Frank	ED FI LGT(S)		HC(S)
McFee, Bruce	J1 PR LGT(S)	Stevenson, Stewart	J1 HC(S)
McGrigor, Jamie	EARL EO ED(S)	Stone, Jamie	COM EC SL
McLetchie, David	LGT EC(S)		ED(S)
McMahon, Michael	LGT PE	Swinburne, John	EO
McNeil, Duncan	HC	Swinney, John	FI AU(S)
McNeill, Pauline	J1	Tosh, Murray	SL LGT(S)
McNulty, Des	FI	Turner, Jean	HC
Milne, Nanette	HC EO(S)	Wallace, Jim	EU J1(S)
Mitchell, Margaret	J1 J2(S)	Watt, Maureen	LGT SL(S)
Monteith, Brian	AU GARL	Welsh, Andrew	AU ED(S)
Morgan, Alasdair	AB ST(S)	White, Sandra	EO PE COM(S)
Morrison, Alasdair	ERD FI(S)	White, Sandra	PE
Muldoon, Bristow	LGT	Whitefield, Karen	COM ST
Mulligan, Mary	AU J1		

Member of only 1 Committee	17
Member of 2 Committees simultaneously	16
Member of 3 Committees simultaneously	3
Member of 1 Committee and a Substitute Member of 1 Committee simultaneously	40
Member of 1 Committee and a Substitute Member of 2 Committees simultaneously	0
Member of 2 Committees and a Substitute Member of 1 Committee simultaneously	23
Member of 2 Committees and a Substitute Member of 2 Committees simultaneously	0
Member of 3 Committees and a Substitute Member of 1 Committee simultaneously	6
Substitute Committee Member only	2

**4.1.2 Committee Conveners and Deputy Conveners by gender and party**

	Male	Female
Conveners	11	14
Deputy Conveners	17	9

	Lab	SNP	LD	Con	Green	Ind	SSP	SSCUP	NPA
Conveners	15	5	2	2	0	1	0	0	0
Deputy Conveners	9	7	4	4	2	0	0	0	0

**4.2 Committee Meetings**

**4.2.1 Number of meetings held by each committee during the parliamentary year**

	From 7 May 06	Jun 06	Jul 06	Aug 06	Sep 06	Oct 06	Nov 06	Dec 06	Jan 07	Feb 07	Mar 07	To 2 Apr 07	Total
AB	n/a	1	0	0	4	1	2	0	0	1	2	0	11
AU	3	2	0	0	2	1	2	2	2	2	0	0	16
COM	3	3	0	0	4	2	5	3	3	3	2	0	28
EARL	1	4	0	0	2	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	11
EC	3	3	0	0	4	3	2	1	3	1	3	0	23
ED	4	3	0	0	2	2	5	2	2	4	1	0	25
ED1	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0
EO	4	2	0	0	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	0	18
ERD	5	5	0	0	3	2	5	3	4	5	3	0	35
EU	2	2	0	0	3	1	2	2	2	1	1	0	16
FI	3	4	0	0	4	2	5	2	2	2	1	0	25
GARL	4	2	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	10
HC	4	3	0	0	3	3	3	3	1	2	3	0	25
J1	6	7	0	0	7	3	9	4	7	4	2	0	49
J2	4	3	0	0	5	4	5	3	2	4	2	0	32
J2SC	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2	2	3	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	8
LGT	3	4	0	0	4	3	4	3	2	4	2	0	29
PE	2	3	0	0	2	2	2	1	2	1	1	0	16
PR	2	2	0	0	3	2	2	1	1	0	1	0	14
SL	4	4	0	0	4	3	4	3	4	4	4	0	34
ST	1	1	0	0	2	1	2	1	0	2	0	0	10
WAV	1	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>436</b>

**4.2.2 The total time spent in committee meetings, plus the division between public and private time.**

Committee	From 12 May 06 hrs mins	Jun 06 hrs mins	Jul 06 hrs mins	Sep 06 hrs mins	Oct 06 hrs ins	Nov 06 hrs mins	Dec 06 hrs mins	Jan 07 hrs mins	Feb 07 hrs mins	Mar 07 hrs mins	Apr 07 hrs mins	Total hrs mins
AB Public	00 00	00 20	00 00	00 53	00 58	01 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	01 13	00 00	20 17
AB Private	00 00	00 05	00 00	16 02	00 00	00 19	00 00	00 00	03 00	00 51	00 00	04 24
<b>AB Total</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 25</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>16 55</b>	<b>00 58</b>	<b>01 19</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>03 00</b>	<b>02 04</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>24 41</b>
AU Public	06 40	01 34	00 00	03 54	01 07	02 42	05 24	02 18	02 45	02 12	00 00	28 36
AU Private	01 42	01 25	00 00	01 15	01 15	01 16	00 25	00 58	03 50	00 08	00 00	12 14
<b>AU Total</b>	<b>08 22</b>	<b>02 59</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>05 09</b>	<b>02 22</b>	<b>03 58</b>	<b>05 49</b>	<b>03 16</b>	<b>06 35</b>	<b>02 20</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>40 50</b>
COM Public	07 42	09 25	00 00	12 35	04 37	11 13	03 48	04 32	05 30	01 42	00 00	61 04
COM Private	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 20	00 48	01 07	02 40	01 23	01 07	00 22	00 00	07 47
<b>COM Total</b>	<b>07 42</b>	<b>09 25</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>12 55</b>	<b>05 25</b>	<b>12 20</b>	<b>06 28</b>	<b>05 55</b>	<b>06 37</b>	<b>02 04</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>68 51</b>
EARL Public	00 06	13 53	00 00	00 18	00 00	00 00	01 52	01 25	01 05	00 00	00 00	18 39
EARL Private	00 23	01 57	00 00	02 23	00 00	00 00	00 54	00 58	00 00	00 00	00 00	06 35
<b>EARL Total</b>	<b>00 29</b>	<b>15 50</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>02 41</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>02 46</b>	<b>02 23</b>	<b>01 05</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>25 14</b>
EC Public	03 48	01 54	00 00	06 50	06 45	01 58	02 55	05 12	01 26	02 50	00 00	33 38
EC Private	01 42	02 14	00 00	00 04	00 00	00 27	00 07	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	04 34
<b>EC Total</b>	<b>05 30</b>	<b>04 08</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>06 54</b>	<b>06 45</b>	<b>02 25</b>	<b>03 02</b>	<b>05 12</b>	<b>01 26</b>	<b>02 50</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>38 12</b>
ED Public	08 39	02 46	00 00	03 33	03 23	12 07	01 28	04 40	08 30	00 20	00 00	45 26
ED Private	01 36	03 13	00 00	00 18	00 32	00 19	02 46	00 00	00 36	00 25	00 00	09 45
<b>ED Total</b>	<b>10 15</b>	<b>05 59</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>03 51</b>	<b>03 55</b>	<b>12 26</b>	<b>04 14</b>	<b>04 40</b>	<b>09 06</b>	<b>00 45</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>55 11</b>
ED1 Public	00 00	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	00 00
ED1 Private	00 00	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	00 00
<b>ED1 Total</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>00 00</b>
EO Public	09 57	02 01	00 00	00 22	03 37	00 00	00 50	00 11	02 21	02 31	00 00	21 50
EO Private	00 00	01 15	00 00	03 35	00 18	00 21	00 54	00 55	00 00	00 13	00 00	07 31
<b>EO Total</b>	<b>09 57</b>	<b>03 16</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>03 57</b>	<b>03 55</b>	<b>00 21</b>	<b>01 44</b>	<b>01 06</b>	<b>02 21</b>	<b>02 44</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>29 21</b>
ERD Public	08 33	03 34	00 00	04 56	04 36	07 39	03 32	08 06	08 09	02 01	00 00	51 06
ERD Private	03 58	05 07	00 00	01 46	00 01	04 06	00 30	00 14	03 50	00 28	00 00	20 00
<b>ERD Total</b>	<b>12 31</b>	<b>08 41</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>06 42</b>	<b>04 37</b>	<b>11 45</b>	<b>04 02</b>	<b>08 20</b>	<b>11 59</b>	<b>02 29</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>71 06</b>
EU Public	05 34	05 24	00 00	05 35	01 47	04 47	02 14	04 09	01 19	01 17	00 00	32 06
EU Private	00 42	02 01	00 00	00 30	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 50	00 20	00 52	00 00	05 15
<b>EU Total</b>	<b>06 16</b>	<b>07 25</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>06 05</b>	<b>01 47</b>	<b>04 47</b>	<b>02 14</b>	<b>04 59</b>	<b>01 39</b>	<b>02 09</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>37 21</b>
FI Public	05 19	09 54	00 00	04 15	03 57	10 13	02 03	04 13	01 11	01 08	00 00	42 13
FI Private	00 12	00 39	00 00	03 12	00 26	02 06	01 19	00 38	01 00	00 19	00 00	09 51
<b>FI Total</b>	<b>05 31</b>	<b>10 33</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>07 27</b>	<b>04 23</b>	<b>12 19</b>	<b>03 22</b>	<b>04 51</b>	<b>02 11</b>	<b>01 27</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>52 04</b>

GARL Public	10 17	00 14	00 00	00 00	03 19	00 39	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	14 29
GARL Private	01 06	00 59	00 00	00 00	02 16	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	04 21
<b>GARL Total</b>	<b>11 23</b>	<b>01 13</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>05 35</b>	<b>00 39</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>18 50</b>
HC Public	04 35	04 33	00 00	05 10	03 18	03 32	03 08	02 48	03 30	01 25	00 00	31 59
HC Private	03 45	00 54	00 00	01 40	03 03	01 49	00 31	00 00	00 00	00 33	00 00	12 15
<b>HC Total</b>	<b>08 20</b>	<b>05 27</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>06 50</b>	<b>06 21</b>	<b>05 21</b>	<b>03 39</b>	<b>02 48</b>	<b>03 30</b>	<b>01 58</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>44 14</b>
J1 Public	16 56	16 16	00 00	13 12	05 41	10 30	04 00	04 12	02 21	01 15	00 00	74 23
J2 Private	03 25	08 41	00 00	04 49	03 01	12 30	06 40	14 46	13 06	01 06	00 00	68 04
<b>J2 Total</b>	<b>20 21</b>	<b>24 57</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>18 01</b>	<b>08 42</b>	<b>23 00</b>	<b>10 40</b>	<b>18 58</b>	<b>15 27</b>	<b>02 21</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>142 27</b>
J2 Public	11 48	01 31	00 00	10 00	07 46	09 15	01 08	01 35	04 14	01 41	00 00	48 58
J2 Private	01 31	04 54	00 00	01 43	03 18	02 35	05 59	00 11	00 07	00 09	00 00	20 27
<b>J2 Total</b>	<b>13 19</b>	<b>06 25</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>11 43</b>	<b>11 04</b>	<b>11 50</b>	<b>07 07</b>	<b>01 46</b>	<b>04 21</b>	<b>01 50</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>69 25</b>
J2SC Public	n/a	n/a	n/a	00 07	05 47	03 44	00 00	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	09 38
J2SC Private	n/a	n/a	n/a	01 33	00 51	02 07	02 48	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	07 19
<b>J2SC Total</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>01 40</b>	<b>06 38</b>	<b>05 51</b>	<b>02 48</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>16 57</b>
LGT Public	05 57	03 48	00 00	07 50	09 28	06 58	03 54	04 18	03 06	03 34	00 00	48 53
LGT Private	01 59	03 27	00 00	00 15	00 50	03 24	01 58	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	11 53
<b>LGT Total</b>	<b>07 56</b>	<b>07 15</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>08 05</b>	<b>10 18</b>	<b>10 22</b>	<b>05 52</b>	<b>04 18</b>	<b>03 06</b>	<b>03 34</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>60 46</b>
PE Public	04 23	05 07	00 00	03 34	03 48	04 22	02 09	04 38	00 38	01 30	00 00	30 09
PE Private	00 01	00 00	00 00	00 20	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 05	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 26
<b>PE Total</b>	<b>04 24</b>	<b>05 07</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>03 54</b>	<b>03 48</b>	<b>04 22</b>	<b>02 09</b>	<b>04 43</b>	<b>00 38</b>	<b>01 30</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>30 35</b>
PR Public	02 19	03 50	00 00	01 01	03 03	01 47	00 29	00 56	00 00	00 49	00 00	14 14
PR Private	00 08	00 37	00 00	02 35	01 13	02 21	02 13	00 00	00 00	00 08	00 00	09 15
<b>PR Total</b>	<b>02 27</b>	<b>04 27</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>03 36</b>	<b>04 16</b>	<b>04 08</b>	<b>02 42</b>	<b>00 56</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 57</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>23 29</b>
SL Public	03 13	02 36	00 00	02 28	02 49	04 54	01 00	02 15	04 10	02 28	00 00	25 53
SL Private	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 18	00 28	00 48	01 14	01 20	01 28	00 00	00 00	05 36
<b>SL Total</b>	<b>03 13</b>	<b>02 36</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>02 46</b>	<b>03 17</b>	<b>05 42</b>	<b>02 14</b>	<b>03 35</b>	<b>05 38</b>	<b>02 28</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>31 29</b>
SAPA Public	01 02	00 03	00 00	00 11	01 00	00 10	00 14	00 00	00 42	00 00	00 00	03 22
SAPA Private	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 07	00 00	00 17	00 00	00 00	00 18	00 00	00 00	00 42
<b>SAPA Total</b>	<b>01 02</b>	<b>00 03</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 18</b>	<b>01 00</b>	<b>00 27</b>	<b>00 14</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>01 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>04 04</b>
WAV Public	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00
WAV Private	00 45	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 00	00 45
<b>WAV Total</b>	<b>00 45</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>00 45</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>139 43</b>	<b>126 11</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>129 29</b>	<b>95 06</b>	<b>133 22</b>	<b>71 06</b>	<b>77 46</b>	<b>78 39</b>	<b>33 30</b>	<b>00 00</b>	<b>885 52</b>

4.2.3. The average time spent in committee meetings during the parliamentary year

	From 7 May 06		Jun 06		Jul 06		Aug 06		Sep 06		Oct 06		Nov 06		Dec 06		Jan 07		Feb 07		Mar 07		To 2 Apr 07		Annual Average		
	Hrs	Mins	Hrs	Mins	Hrs	Mins	Hrs	Mins	Hrs	Mins	Hrs	Mins	Hrs	Mins	Hrs	Mins	Hrs	Mins	Hrs	Mins	Hrs	Mins	Hrs	Mins	Hrs	Mins	
<b>AB</b>	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	4	14	0	58	0	40	0	0	0	0	3	00	1	02	0	0	2	15	
<b>AU</b>	2	47	1	30	0	0	0	0	2	35	2	22	1	59	2	55	1	38	3	18	1	10	0	0	2	33	
<b>COM</b>	2	34	3	08	0	0	0	0	3	14	2	42	2	28	2	09	1	58	2	12	1	02	0	0	2	28	
<b>EARL</b>	0	29	3	58	0	0	0	0	1	21	0	0	0	0	2	46	1	12	1	05	0	0	0	0	2	18	
<b>EC</b>	1	50	1	23	0	0	0	0	1	44	2	15	1	13	3	02	1	44	1	26	0	57	0	0	1	40	
<b>ED</b>	2	34	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	56	1	58	2	29	2	07	2	20	2	17	0	45	0	0	2	12	
<b>ED1</b>	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	00
<b>EO</b>	2	29	1	38	0	0	0	0	1	59	1	58	0	21	1	44	0	33	1	11	1	22	0	0	1	38	
<b>ERD</b>	2	30	1	44	0	0	0	0	2	14	2	19	2	21	1	21	2	05	2	24	0	50	0	0	2	02	
<b>EU</b>	3	08	3	43	0	0	0	0	2	01	1	47	2	24	1	07	2	30	1	39	2	09	0	0	2	20	
<b>FI</b>	1	50	2	38	0	0	0	0	1	52	2	12	2	28	1	41	2	26	1	06	1	27	0	0	2	05	
<b>GARL</b>	2	51	0	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	52	0	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	53	
<b>HC</b>	2	05	1	49	0	0	0	0	2	17	3	07	1	47	1	13	2	48	1	45	0	39	0	0	1	46	
<b>J1</b>	3	24	3	34	0	0	0	0	2	34	2	54	2	33	2	40	2	42	3	52	1	11	0	0	2	54	
<b>J2</b>	3	20	2	08	0	0	0	0	2	21	2	46	2	22	2	22	0	53	1	05	0	55	0	0	2	10	
<b>J2SC</b>	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	50	3	19	1	57	2	48	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2	07
<b>LGT</b>	2	39	1	49	0	0	0	0	2	01	3	26	2	36	1	57	2	09	0	47	1	47	0	0	2	06	
<b>PE</b>	2	12	1	42	0	0	0	0	1	57	1	54	2	11	2	09	2	22	0	38	1	30	0	0	1	55	
<b>PR</b>	1	14	2	14	0	0	0	0	1	12	2	08	2	04	2	42	0	56	0	0	0	57	0	0	1	41	
<b>SL</b>	0	48	0	39	0	0	0	0	0	42	1	06	1	26	0	45	0	54	1	25	0	37	0	0	0	56	
<b>SAPA</b>	1	02	0	03	0	0	0	0	0	09	1	00	0	14	0	14	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	24
<b>WAV</b>	0	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	45
<b>TOTAL</b>	2	22	2	11	0	0	0	0	2	05	2	16	2	05	1	55	1	53	1	50	1	07	0	0	2	02	



## 4.3 Committees

### 4.3.1 Airdrie-Bathgate Railway and Linked Improvements Bill Committee

**Established:** 15 June 2006

**Remit:** To consider and report to the Parliament on the Airdrie-Bathgate Railway and Linked Improvements Bill  
(As agreed by resolution of the Parliament on 15 June 2006)

**Convener:** Phil Gallie

**Deputy Convener:** Alasdair Morgan

**Membership:** The committee has 5 members.

**Meetings:** There were 11 meetings in the parliamentary year. 2 meetings were held outside the Parliament. One in Airdrie on 11 September 2006 and the other in Whitburn on 18 September 2006.

	Number
Total meetings of the Committee	11
Meetings held wholly in private	3
Meetings held partly in private	5
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	2

#### Meetings attended:

Members	Party	Number of meetings attended (possible total)
Phil Gallie	Con	11 (11)
Janis Hughes	Lab	11 (11)
Alasdair Morgan	SNP	11 (11)
Cathy Peattie	Lab	11 (11)
Jeremy Purvis	LD	11 (11)

**Reporters:** 0

#### Clerking staff:

Committee Clerk: Fergus Cochrane

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	1
Scottish Executive officials	2
Members of the Scottish Parliament	3
Representatives of public bodies	3
Representatives of local authorities	44
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	0
Representatives of professional associations	4
Representatives of Voluntary sector	0
Other categories of witnesses	72

**Business transacted:** The only appropriate business was the consideration of the Airdrie-Bathgate Railway and Linked Improvements Bill Committee

**Reports:**

Title	SP Paper number	Date of publication	Executive response
1st Report, 2006: Preliminary Stage Report on the Airdrie-Bathgate Railway and Linked Improvements Bill	667	14 November 2006	No Response
1st Report 2007: Report on the Airdrie-Bathgate Railway and Linked Improvements Bill and European Protected Species	761	5 March 2007	No Response
2nd Report 2007: Consideration Stage Report on the Airdrie-Bathgate Railway and Linked Improvements Bill	762	5 March 2007	No Response

### 4.3.2 Audit Committee

**Established:** 4 June 2003

**Remit:** 1. The remit of the Audit Committee is to consider and report on: (a) any accounts laid before the Parliament; (b) any report laid before or made to the Parliament by the Auditor General for Scotland; and (c) any other document laid before the Parliament concerning financial control, accounting and auditing in relation to public expenditure.  
 2. No member of the Scottish Executive or junior Scottish Minister may be a member of the Committee and no member who represents a political party which is represented in the Scottish Executive may be convener of the Committee.  
 (*Standing Orders of the Scottish Parliament, Rule 6.7*)

**Convener:** Brian Monteith

**Deputy Convener:** Andrew Welsh

**Membership:** The committee has 7 members.

**Meetings:** There were 16 meetings in the parliamentary year. One meeting was held in Inverness on 9 May 2006.

	Number
Total meetings of the Committee	16
Meetings held wholly in private	0
Meetings held partly in private	15
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	1

#### Meetings attended:

Members	Party	Number of meetings attended (possible total)
Susan Deacon	Lab	12 (16)
Robin Harper (from 28 June 2006)	Green	11 (11)
Margaret Jamieson	Lab	14 (16)
Brian Monteith	Ind	16 (16)
Mary Mulligan	Lab	16 (16)
Eleanor Scott (until 28 June 2006)	Green	5 (5)
Margaret Smith	LD	15 (16)
Andrew Welsh	SNP	14 (16)

Substitute Members	Party	Number of meetings attended
Chris Ballance (until 28 June 2006)	Green	0
David Davidson	Con	0
Marlyn Glen	Lab	0
Eleanor Scott (from 28 June 2006)	Green	0
John Swinney	SNP	1

**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Shelagh McKinlay  
Senior Assistant Clerk: Joanna Hardy  
Assistant Clerk: Clare O'Neill

**Visits:** There was 1 fact finding visit to East Ayrshire regarding Community Planning on 23 October 2006.

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	3
Scottish Executive officials	17
Members of the Scottish Parliament	0
Representatives of public bodies	30
Representatives of local authorities	4
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	1
Representatives of trade unions	0
Representatives of professional associations	0
Representatives of Voluntary sector	0
Other categories of witnesses	0

**Business transacted:**

Business	No	Details
Inquiries	6	Community Planning Partnerships Implementing the NHS Consultant Contract in Scotland Relocation of Scottish Executive Departments, Agencies and NDPB's Section 22 Report on Inverness College Tackling Waiting Times in the NHS Scotland Teaching Profession
Consultations	0	
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	0	
Sewel Memorandums	0	
SIs considered	1	1 Draft affirmative
SSIs considered		1 draft affirmatives and 0 negatives
Petitions considered	0	
Divisions held	0	
Plenary debates	0	

**Reports:**

Title	SP Paper number	Date of publication	Executive response
4th Report 2007: Annual Report of the Audit Committee for the Parliamentary year 7 May 2006 to 2 April 2007	800	27 March 2007	No Response
3rd Report 2007: Legacy Paper Session 2	796	23 March 2007	No Response
2nd Report 2007: Community Planning: an initial review	770	9 March 2007	27 March 2007
1st Report 2007: Relocation of Scottish Executive departments, agencies and NDPBs	758	2 March 2007	20 March 2007 27 March 2007
7th Report, 2006: A mid-term report - a first stage review of the cost and implementation of the teachers' agreement a Teaching Profession for the 21st Century	686	1 December 2006	1 February 2007
6th Report, 2006: Implementing the NHS Consultant Contract in Scotland	673	16 November 2006	17 January 2007
5th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	646	29 September 2006	No Response
4th Report, 2006: The 2004/05 Audit of Inverness College	622	5 July 2006	16 October 2006 6 September 2006
3rd Report, 2006: Tackling waiting times in the NHS in Scotland	590	8 June 2006	August 2006
2nd Report, 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	568	2 June 2006	No Response
1st Report, 2006: Supporting New Initiatives and Leadership Development	562	19 May 2006	No Response

### 4.3.3 Communities Committee

**Established:** 4 June 2003

**Remit:** To consider and report on matters relating to housing and area regeneration, poverty, voluntary sector issues, charity law, matters relating to the land use planning system and building standards and such other matters as fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Communities.

(As agreed by resolution of the Parliament on 23 February 2005)

To consider and report on matters relating to housing and area regeneration, poverty, voluntary sector issues and charity law; matters relating to the land use planning system and building standards; such other matters as fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Communities; and health promotion and nutrition in schools.

(As agreed by resolution of the Parliament on 6 September 2006)

**Convener:** Karen Whitefield

**Deputy Convener:** Euan Robson (until 11 October 2006)  
Jamie Stone (from 1 November 2006)

**Membership:** The committee has 9 members.

**Meetings:** There were 28 meetings in the parliamentary year. The meeting on 22 November 2006 was held in the @Home Centre, Airdrie.

	Number
Total meetings of the Committee	28
Meetings held wholly in private	1
Meetings held partly in private	9
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	1

#### Meetings attended:

Members	Party	Number of meetings attended (possible total)
Scott Barrie	Lab	25 (28)
Cathie Craigie	Lab	27 (28)
Christine Grahame	SNP	26 (28)
Patrick Harvie	Green	25 (28)
John Home Robertson	Lab	28 (28)
Tricia Marwick	SNP	25 (28)
Dave Petrie	Con	28 (28)
Euan Robson (until 11 October 2006)	LD	10 (11)
Jamie Stone (from 25 October 2006)	LD	14 (16)
Karen Whitefield	Lab	27 (28)

<b>Substitute Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended</b>
Shiona Baird (until 28 June 2006)	Green	0
Chris Ballance (from 28 June 2006)	Green	0
Alex Johnstone	Con	0
Christine May	Lab	0
Mike Rumbles	LD	0
Sandra White	SNP	0

**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Steve Farrell  
 Senior Assistant Clerk: Katy Orr  
 Assistant Clerk: Catherine Fergusson

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Number</b>
Scottish Executive Ministers	15
Scottish Executive officials	67
Members of the Scottish Parliament	0
Representatives of public bodies	0
Representatives of local authorities	13
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	2
Representatives of professional associations	5
Representatives of Voluntary sector	0
Other categories of witnesses	58

**Business transacted:**

<b>Business</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Details</b>
Inquiries	0	
Consultations	1	Provision of healthy meals and snacks in Scottish schools
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	2	Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill Schools (Health Promotion and Nutrition) (Scotland) Bill
Sewel Memorandums	0	
SIs considered	0	
SSIs considered	0	
Petitions considered	3	PE903; PE946 and PE957
Divisions held	74	14 June 2006: Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill Stage 2 amendments 2, 11, 23A, 24, 39, 44, 47, 49, 50, 50A, 50B, 50C, 72, 75, 77, 80, 84 and 87 21 June 2006: Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill Stage 2 amendments 15, 88 - 90, 103, 106, 107, 110 and 117-120 13 September 2006: Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill Stage 2 amendments 121, 129, 162-164, 175 and 176 20 September 2006: Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill Stage 2 amendments 123 - 125, 131, 136, 165 – 170, 173, 174, 183, 185 – 189, 192 and 200 27 September 2006: Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill Stage 2 amendments 126, 130, 151, 202, 208, 210 – 212, 215, 216, 246, 247 and 251 – 253 4 October 2006: Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill Stage 2 amendment 250
Plenary debates	0	



**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
8th Report 2007: Annual Report 2006-2007	803	28 March 2007	n/a
7th Report 2007: Legacy Paper	802	28 March 2007	No Response
6th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	797	21 March 2007	No Response
5th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	776	15 March 2007	No Response
4th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	760	2 March 2007	No Response
3rd Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	742	9 February 2007	No Response
2nd Report 2007: Stage 1 Report on the Schools (Health Promotion and Nutrition) (Scotland) Bill	718	16 January 2007	No Response
1st Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	717	12 January 2007	No Response
13th Report, 2006 Subordinate Legislation	689	1 December 2006	No Response
12th Report, 2006 Subordinate Legislation	669	10 November 2006	No Response
11th Report, 2006 Subordinate Legislation	650	5 October 2006	No Response
10th Report, 2006 Subordinate Legislation	629	8 September 2006	No Response
9th Report, 2006: Subordinate legislation	601	13 June 2006	No Response
8th Report, 2006: Annual Report 2005 - 2006	584	31 May 2006	n/a
7th Report, 2006: Subordinate legislation	576	26 May 2006	No Response
6th Report, Subordinate Legislation	556	11 May 2006	No Response
5th Report, 2006: Stage 1 Report on the Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill	552	10 May 2006	No Response

**4.3.4 Edinburgh Airport Rail Link Bill Committee****Established:** 30 March 2006**Remit:** To consider and report to the Parliament on the Edinburgh Airport Rail Link Bill**Convener:** Scott Barrie (Lab) (18 April 2006-2 April 2007)**Deputy Convener:** Jamie McGrigor (Con) (18 April 2006-2 April 2007)**Membership:** The committee has 5 members.**Meetings:** There were 11 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	<b>Number</b>
Total meetings of the Committee	11
Meetings held wholly in private	2
Meetings held partly in private	6
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

**Meetings attended:**

<b>Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended (possible total)</b>
Scott Barrie (30 March 2006 - 2 April 2007)	Lab	11(11)
Charlie Gordon (30 March 2006 - 2 April 2007)	Lab	11(11)
Christine Grahame (30 March 2006 - 2 April 2007)	SNP	11(11)
Jamie McGrigor (30 March 2006 - 2 April 2007)	Con	9(11)
Iain Smith (30 March 2006 - 2 April 2007)	LD	9(11)

**Reporters:** 0**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Jane Sutherland

**Visits:** 0**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	2
Scottish Executive officials	2
Members of the Scottish Parliament	0
Representatives of public bodies	10
Representatives of local authorities	7
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	0
Representatives of professional associations	0
Representatives of Voluntary sector	0
Other categories of witnesses	60

**Business transacted:** The only appropriate business was the consideration of the Edinburgh Airport Rail Link Bill

Business	No	Details
Plenary debates	4	S2M-05685 14 March 2007; S2M-05684 14 March 2007; S2M-05683 15 March 2007; S2M-04809 21 September 2006

**Reports:**

Title	SP Paper number	Date of publication	Executive response
3rd Report, 2007: Report on the Edinburgh Airport Rail Link Bill and European Protected Species	737	13 February 2007	No Response
2nd Report, 2007: Appropriate Assessment Report on the Firth of Forth Special Protection Area	736	13 February 2007	No Response
1st Report, 2007: Consideration Stage Report on the Edinburgh Airport Rail Link Bill	735	13 February 2007	No Response
1st Report, 2006: Preliminary Stage Report on the Edinburgh Airport Rail Link Bill	632	15 September 2006	No Response

### 4.3.5 Education Committee

**Established:** 4 June 2003

**Remit:** To consider and report on matters relating to school and pre-school education, young people and social work and such other matters as fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Education and Young People.  
(As agreed by resolution of the parliament on 29 September 2004)

**Convener:** Iain Smith

**Deputy Convener:** Lord James Douglas-Hamilton

**Membership:** The committee has 9 members.

**Meetings:** There were 25 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	Number
Total meetings of the Committee	25
Meetings held wholly in private	2
Meetings held partly in private	5
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

#### Meetings attended:

Members	Party	Number of meetings attended (possible total)
Wendy Alexander (until 23 November 2006)	Lab	7 (15)
	SSP (until 2 September 2006)	24 (25)
Rosemary Byrne	Sol (from 3 September 2006)	
Lord James Douglas-Hamilton	Con	24 (25)
Fiona Hyslop	SNP	24 (25)
Adam Ingram	SNP	24 (25)
Marilyn Livingstone (from 23 November 2006)	Lab	7 (10)
Ken Macintosh	Lab	20 (25)
Frank McAveety	Lab	21 (25)
Elaine Murray	Lab	24 (25)
Iain Smith	LD	24 (25)

<b>Substitute Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended</b>
Richard Baker	Lab	2
Rosie Kane (until 5 September 2006)	SSP	
Jamie McGrigor	Con SSP	
Tommy Sheridan (from 10 January 2007)	(until 2 September 2006) Sol (from 3 September 2006)	
Jamie Stone	LD	
Andrew Welsh	SNP	

**Reporters:** None

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Eugene Windsor  
 Senior Assistant Clerk: Mark Roberts  
 Assistant Clerk: Ian Cowan

**Visits:** 2 fact finding visits as part of the Early Years Inquiry to Stockholm and Finland.

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Number</b>
Scottish Executive Ministers	13
Scottish Executive officials	28
Members of the Scottish Parliament	0
Representatives of public bodies	8
Representatives of local authorities	16
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	13
Representatives of professional associations	13
Representatives of Voluntary sector	41
Other categories of witnesses	34

**Business transacted:**

<b>Business</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Details</b>
Inquiries	2	Early Years Implementation of the Teachers' Agreement
Consultations	1	Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Bill
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	2	Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Bill Adoption And Children (Scotland) Bill
Sewel Memorandums	0	
SIs considered	0	
SSIs considered	13	1 affirmative and 12 negatives: SSI 2006/308; SSI 2006/317; SSI 2006/318; SSI 2006/322; SSI 2006/324; SSI 2006/453; SSI 2006/605; SSI 2007/114; SSI 2007/115; SSI 2007/132; SSI 2007/149; SSI 2007/189
Petitions considered	5	PE825; PE853; PE872; PE892; PE957
Divisions held	15	27 September 2006, PE957 – to close the petition. 1 November 2006, Adoption and Children (Scotland) Bill – Stage 2 amendments 1, 36, 163, 185, 255, 296 8 November 2006, Adoption and Children (Scotland) Bill – Stage 2 amendments 189, 322A, 368, 387 7 February 2007 – Timetabling Stage 2 13 February 2007, Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Bill - Stage 2 amendments 230, 233 20 February 2007, Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Bill - Stage 2 amendments 250
Plenary debates	2	6 October 2006: motion S2M-04931 3 November 2006: motion S2M-05093

**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
4th Report 2007: Report on Subordinate Legislation	810	29 March 2007	No Response
3rd Report 2007: Legacy Paper	805	28 March 2007	No Response
2nd Report 2007: Report on the implementation of the Teachers' Agreement	795	26 March 2007	No Response
1st Report 2007: Annual Report 2006-07	794	23 March 2007	n/a
12th Report 2006: Stage 1 Report on Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Bill	702	21 December 2006	No Response
11th Report 2006: Draft National Plan for Gaelic - Dreachd Plana Nàiseanta Gàidhlig	657	2 November 2006	No Response
10th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	653	12 October 2006	No Response
9th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	623	6 July 2006	No Response
8th Report 2006: Stage 1 Report on the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Bill	612	29 June 2006	No Response
7th Report 2006: Early Years	596	14 June 2006	No Response
6th Report 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	577	31 May 2006	No Response
5th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	557	12 May 2006	No Response

### 4.3.6 Enterprise and Culture Committee

**Established:** 4 June 2003

**Remit:** To consider and report on matters relating to the Scottish economy, business and industry, energy, training, further and higher education, lifelong learning and such other matters as fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning; and matters relating to tourism, culture and sport and such other matters as fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport.

**Convener:** Alex Neil

**Deputy Convener:** Christine May

**Membership:** The committee has 9 members.

**Meetings:** There were 23 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	Number
Total meetings of the Committee	23
Meetings held wholly in private	0
Meetings held partly in private	8
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

#### Meetings attended:

Members	Party	Number of meetings attended (possible total)
Shiona Baird	Green	20 (23)
Richard Baker	Lab	21 (23)
Susan Deacon	Lab	20 (23)
Murdo Fraser	Con	22 (23)
Karen Gillon	Lab	17 (23)
Michael Matheson (until 31 October 2006)	SNP	8 (13)
Stewart Maxwell (from 1 November 2006)	SNP	7 (10)
Christine May	Lab	23 (23)
Alex Neil	SNP	21 (23)
Jamie Stone	LD	16 (23)

Substitute Members	Party	Number of meetings attended
Mark Ballard	Green	3
Donald Gorrie	LD	1
Fiona Hyslop	SNP	2
Margaret Jamieson	Lab	2
David McLetchie	Con	0



**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Stephen Imrie

Senior Assistant Clerk: Douglas Thornton

Assistant Clerk: Seán Wixted (to 20 June 2006)

Nick Hawthorne (from 5 September 2006)

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	20
Scottish Executive officials	83
Members of the Scottish Parliament	12
Representatives of public bodies	32
Representatives of local authorities	2
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	1
Representatives of professional associations	15
Representatives of Voluntary sector	3
Other categories of witnesses	3

**Business transacted:**

<b>Business</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Details</b>
Inquiries	2	European Union State Aid Reform Inquiry Employability Inquiry
Consultations	1	Scottish Register of Tartans Bill
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	4	Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. (Scotland) Bill Scottish Register of Tartans Bill St Andrew's Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill Tourist Board (Scotland) Bill
Sewel Memorandums	2	9 January 2007: Consumers, Estate Agents and Redress Bill 9 January 2007: Further Education and Training Bill
SIs considered	0	
SSIs considered	0	
Petitions considered	1	PE783
Divisions held	7	30 May 2006: S2M-4426 12 September 2006: Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. (Scotland) Bill Stage 2 amendment 92 26 September 2006: Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. (Scotland) Bill Stage 2 amendments 313 and 315 26 September 2006: Tourist Boards (Scotland) Bill amendment 1 24 October 2006: Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. (Scotland) Bill Stage 2 amendment 273 9 January 2007: LCM on the Further Education and Training Bill (UK) Parliament legislation
Plenary debates	1	18 May 2006: S2M-04405

**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
6th Report 2007: Legacy Paper	814	29 March 2007	No Response
5th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	801	27 March 2007	No Response
4th Report 2007: Annual Report 2006-2007	779	15 March 2007	n/a
3rd Report 2007: Report on Subordinate Legislation	773	8 March 2007	No Response
2nd Report 2007: Report on the legislative consent memorandum on the Further Education and Training Bill (UK Parliament legislation)	714	10 January 2007	No Response
1st Report 2007: Report on the legislative consent memorandum on the Consumer, Estate Agents and Redress Bill (UK Parliament legislation)	713	10 January 2007	No Response
17th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	672	15 November 2006	No Response
16th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	648	4 October 2006	No Response
15th Report 2006: Second report at Stage 1 on the St Andrew's Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill	637	21 September 2006	No Response
14th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	633	14 September 2006	No Response
13th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	628	7 September 2006	No Response
11th Report 2006: Report on the management of budgets at Scottish Enterprise and the proposed restructuring of the enterprise agencies	604	22 June 2006	No Response
12th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	605	21 June 2006	No Response
10th Report 2006: Stage 1 Report on the Tourist Boards (Scotland) Bill	593	8 June 2006	No Response
9th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	586	1 June 2006	No Response
8th Report 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	578	31 May 2006	n/a
7th Report 2006: Stage 1 Report on the Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. (Scotland) Bill	559	17 May 2006	No Response

### 4.3.7 Environment And Rural Development Committee

- Established:** 4 June 2003
- Remit:** To consider and report on matters relating to rural development, environment and natural heritage, agriculture and fisheries and such other matters as fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Environment and Rural Development.
- Convener:** Sarah Boyack (until 15 January 2007)  
Maureen Macmillan (from 17 January 2007)
- Deputy Convener:** Mark Ruskell (until 7 June 2006)  
Eleanor Scott (from 14 June 2006)
- Membership:** The committee has 9 members.
- Meetings:** There were 35 meetings in the parliamentary year. 3 meetings were held outside the Parliament at Corran Halls, Oban; Cowan House, Inverness; Atholl Arms Hotel, Blair Atholl

	<b>Number</b>
Total meetings of the Committee	35
Meetings held wholly in private	1
Meetings held partly in private	21
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	3

#### Meetings attended:

<b>Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended (possible total)</b>
Sarah Boyack (until 15 January 2007)	Lab	23(24)
Ted Brocklebank	Con	32(35)
Rob Gibson	SNP	35(35)
Richard Lochhead	SNP	28(35)
Maureen Macmillan	Lab	34(35)
Alasdair Morrison	Lab	28(35)
Peter Peacock (from 17 January 2007)	Lab	9(11)
Nora Radcliffe	LD	31(35)
Mark Ruskell (until 7 June 2006)	Green	6(6)
Eleanor Scott (from 8 June 2006)	Green	29(29)
Elaine Smith	Lab	25(35)

<b>Substitute Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended</b>
Andrew Arbuckle (from 24 January 2007)	LD	1
Alex Fergusson	Con	1
Trish Godman	Lab	4
Jim Mather	SNP	0
Jeremy Purvis (until 24 January 2007)	LD	0
Mark Ruskell (from 28 June 2006)	Green	0
Eleanor Scott (until 8 June 2006)	Green	0

**Reporters:** None

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Mark Brough  
 Senior Assistant Clerk: Katherine Wright  
 Assistant Clerk: Jenny Goldsmith

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Number</b>
Scottish Executive Ministers	22
Scottish Executive officials	58
Members of the Scottish Parliament	8
Representatives of public bodies	38
Representatives of local authorities	9
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	1
Representatives of trade unions	3
Representatives of professional associations	35
Representatives of Voluntary sector	0
Other categories of witnesses	26

**Business transacted:**

<b>Business</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Details</b>
Inquiries	1	Marine Environment Inquiry (9 January 2007-6 March 2007)
Consultations	3	Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Bill Cairngorms National Park Boundary Bill Marine Environment Inquiry
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	1	Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Bill 28 June 2006
Bills considered	4	Cairngorms National Park Boundary Bill Crofting Reform etc. Bill Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Bill Environmental Levy on Plastic Bags (Scotland) Bill
Sewel Memorandums		
SIs considered	1	Negative: SI 2007/286
SSIs considered	83	7 draft affirmatives 1 draft negative and 75 negatives: SSI 2006/241; SSI 2006/244; SSI 2006/264; SSI/2006/284; SSI 2006/311; SSI 2006/312; SSI 2006/313; SSI 2006/319; SSI 2006/335; SSI 2006/337; SSI 2006/341; SSI/2006/383; SSI 2006/399; SSI/2006/419; SSI 2006/430; SSI 2006/450; SSI 2006/448; SSI 2006/449; SSI 2006/451; SSI 2006/464; SSI 2006/465; SSI 2006/474; SSI 2006/487; SSI 2006/505; SSI 2006/530; SSI 2006/541; SSI 2006/543; SSI 2006/548; SSI 2006/553; SSI 2006/554; SSI 2006/572; SSI 2006/576; SSI 2006/577; SSI 2006/582; SSI 2006/594; SSI 2006/601; SSI 2006/602; SSI 2006/606; SSI 2007/1; SSI 2007/13; SSI 2007/19; SSI 2007/27; SSI 2007/39; SSI 2007/40; SSI 2007/55; SSI 2007/56; SSI 2007/63; SSI 2007/69; SSI 2007/91; SSI 2007/94; SSI 2007/99; SSI 2007/118; SSI 2007/119; SSI 2007/126 ;SSI 2007/127 ;SSI 2007/133 ;SSI 2007/137; SSI 2007/138; SSI 2007/142 ;SSI 2007/147 ;SSI 2007/150; SSI 2007/172; SSI 2007/174; SSI 2007/178; SSI 2007/179; SSI 2007/182; SSI 2007/184; SSI 2007/185; SSI 2007/186; SSI 2007/217; SSI 2007/219; SSI 2007/194; SSI 2007/224; SSI 2007/239; SSI 2007/240
Petitions considered	6	PE799; PE807; PE941; PE956; PE982; PE1011
Divisions held	10	28 March 2007: Motion S2M-5776; 6 March 2007: Motion S2M-5779; 31 January 2007: Aquaculture & Fisheries (Scotland) Bill - 9a; 24 January 2007: Aquaculture & Fisheries

Plenary debates	1	(Scotland) Bill - 6 and 6a; 29 November 2006: Crofting Reform etc. Bill - 152; 22 November 2006: Crofting Reform etc. Bill -150 and 157; 15 November 2006: Crofting Reform etc. Bill - 4; 17 May 2006: Draft Water Supplies (Notices) (Scotland) Regulations 2006. S2M-04884: 4 October 2006: Report on an Inquiry into the Food Supply Chain
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### Reports:

Title	SP Paper number	Date of publication	Executive response
7 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2007: Legacy Paper	819	29 March 2007	No Response
6 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2007: Annual Report 2006-2007	818	29 March 2007	n/a
5 <sup>th</sup> Report,2007: Report on Subordinate Legislation	817	29 March 2007	No Response
4 <sup>th</sup> Report,2007: Report on the Inquiry into the Marine Environment	774	12 March 2007	No Response
3 <sup>rd</sup> Report, 2007: Report on Subordinate Legislation	766	7 March 2007	No Response
2 <sup>nd</sup> Report,2007: Stage 1 Report on the Cairngorms National Park Boundary Bill	764	6 March 2007	No Response
1 <sup>st</sup> Report, 2007: Report on Subordinate Legislation	722	18 January 2007	No Response
15 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	705	19 December 2006	No Response
14 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2006:Stage 1 Report on the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Bill	690	5 December 2006	14 December 2006
13 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	649	4 October 2006	No Response
12 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2006: Supplementary Stage 1 Report on the Environmental Levy on Plastic Bags (Scotland) Bill	642	27 September 2006	No Response
11 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2006: Stage 1 Report on the Crofting Reform etc. Bill	620	5 July 2006	21 September 2006
10 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	616	29 June 2006	No Response
9 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	600	15 June 2006	No Response
8 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2006: Report on an Inquiry into the Food Supply Chain	595	12 June 2006	1 August 2006
7 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	579	31 May 2006	n/a
6 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	561	18 May 2006	No Response

**4.3.8 Equal Opportunities Committee****Established:** 4 June 2003**Remit:** The remit of the Equal Opportunities Committee is to consider and report on matters relating to equal opportunities and upon the observance of equal opportunities within the Parliament.**Convener:** Cathy Peattie**Deputy Convener:** Nora Radcliffe (until 15 November 2006)  
Margaret Smith (from 12 December 2006)**Membership:** The committee has 9 members.**Meetings:** There were 18 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	<b>Number</b>
Total meetings of the Committee	18
Meetings held wholly in private	4
Meetings held partly in private	6
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

**Meetings attended:**

<b>Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended (possible total)</b>
Frances Curran (until 7 September 2006)	SSP	3 (7)
Marlyn Glen	Lab	17 (18)
Carolyn Leckie (from 7 September 2006)	SSP	8 (11)
Marilyn Livingstone	Lab	13 (18)
Jamie McGrigor	Con	10 (18)
Cathy Peattie	Lab	18 (18)
Nora Radcliffe (until 15 November 2006)	LD	6 (11)
Elaine Smith	Lab	12 (18)
Margaret Smith (from 15 November 2006)	LD	3 (7)
John Swinburne	SSCUP	12 (18)
Sandra White	SNP	12 (18)

<b>Substitute Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended</b>
Jackie Baillie	Lab	0
Rosemary Byrne (until 5 September 2006)	SSP	0
Frances Curran (from 11 January 2007)	SSP	0
Linda Fabiani	SNP	0
Nanette Milne	Con	1



**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Steve Farrell  
 Senior Assistant Clerk: Zoé Tough  
 Assistant Clerk: Roy McMahon

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	4
Scottish Executive officials	11
Members of the Scottish Parliament	1
Representatives of public bodies	9
Representatives of local authorities	1
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	0
Representatives of professional associations	6
Representatives of Voluntary sector	5
Other categories of witnesses	15

**Business transacted:**

Business	No	Details
Inquiries	1	Disability Inquiry
Consultations	0	
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	0	
Sewel Memorandums	0	
SIIs considered	0	
SSIIs considered	2	2 negatives SSI 2007/32; SSI 2007/195
Petitions considered	3	PE1017; PE752 ; PE522
Divisions held	0	
Plenary debates	1	20 December 2006: motion S2M-5293

**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
5th Report 2007: Legacy Paper	798	27 March 2007	No Response
4th Report 2007: Annual Report 2006-07	782	23 March 2007	n/a
3rd Report 2007: Equalities in Scotland: A Review of Progress	781	23 March 2007	No Response
2nd Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	780	20 March 2007	No Response
1st Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	747	20 January 2007	No Response
2nd Report 2006: Removing Barriers and Creating Opportunities	677	28 November 2006	27 February 2007
1st Report 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	569	26 May 2006	n/a

### 4.3.9 European And External Relations Committee

**Established:** 4 June 2003

**Remit:**

1. The remit of the European and External Relations Committee is to consider and report on: (a) proposals for European Communities legislation; (b) the implementation of European Communities legislation; (c) any European Communities or European Union issue; (d) the development and implementation of the Scottish Administration's links with countries and territories outside Scotland, the European Communities (and their institutions) and other international organisations; and (e) co-ordination of the international activities of the Scottish Administration.
2. The Committee may refer matters to the Parliamentary Bureau or other committees where it considers it appropriate to do so.
3. The convener of the Committee shall not be the convener of any other committee whose remit is, in the opinion of the Parliamentary Bureau, relevant to that of the Committee.
4. The Parliamentary Bureau shall normally propose a person to be a member of the Committee only if he or she is a member of another committee whose remit is, in the opinion of the Parliamentary Bureau, relevant to that of the Committee.

(Standing Orders of the Scottish Parliament, Rule 6.8)

**Convener:** Linda Fabiani

**Deputy Convener:** Irene Oldfather

**Membership:** The committee has 9 members.

**Meetings:** There were 16 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	Number
Total meetings of the Committee	16
Meetings held wholly in private	0
Meetings held partly in private	7
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

**Meetings attended:**

Members	Party	Number of meetings attended (possible total)
Dennis Canavan	Ind	14 (16)
Bruce Crawford	SNP	14 (16)
Linda Fabiani	SNP	15 (16)
Phil Gallie	Con	13 (16)
Charlie Gordon	Lab	11 (16)
John Home Robertson	Lab	14 (16)
Gordon Jackson	Lab	10 (16)
Irene Oldfather	Lab	14 (16)
Jim Wallace	LD	15 (16)

<b>Substitute Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended</b>
Wendy Alexander (until 6 December 2006)	Lab	0
Derek Brownlee	Con	3
Marilyn Livingstone (from 6 December 2006)	Lab	0
Richard Lochhead	SNP	0
Nora Radcliffe	LD	0

**Reporters:** Jim Wallace: Transposition and Implementation of EU Directives in Scotland  
Dennis Canavan: Scotland Ireland Cooperation Inquiry  
Alex Neil, Irene Oldfather and Iain Smith: Transposition of EU Directives

**Clerking staff:**

**Committee Clerk:** Alasdair Rankin (to 20 June 2006)  
Jim Johnston (from 5 September 2006)

**Assistant Clerks:** Emma Berry  
Nick Hawthorne (to 20 June 2006)  
Alun Davidson (from 16 January 2007)

**Visits:**

4 fact finding visits regarding EU Directives to Dublin and Copenhagen on 9 October 2006; Brussels on 23 October 2006 and the House of Commons on 27 November 2006.

1 fact finding visit to a Maritime Dissemination Conference in Brussels on 6 February 2007.

1 fact finding EC-UK meeting in London on 26 February 2007.

1 fact finding visit to Helsinki on 4 March 2007.

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Number</b>
Scottish Executive Ministers	7
Scottish Executive officials	16
Members of the Scottish Parliament	0
Representatives of public bodies	44
Representatives of local authorities	2
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	3
Representatives of trade unions	7
Representatives of professional associations	1
Representatives of Voluntary sector	3
Other categories of witnesses	2

**Business transacted:**

<b>Business</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Details</b>
Inquiries	1	EC's Legislative and Work Programme 2007
Consultations	0	
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	0	
Sewel Memorandums	1	Legislative and Regulatory Reform Bill, 26 September and 5 December 2006.
SIs considered	0	
SSIs considered	0	
Petitions considered	1	PE804
Divisions held	4	9 May 2006: Petition PE804 5 September 2006: Petition PE804 (3 divisions) 13 February 2007: Item in private
Plenary debates	2	1 November 2006: S2M-5013 4 October 2006: S2M-4899

**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
4th Report 2007: Legacy Paper	785	20 March 2007	No Response
3rd Report 2007: Annual Report 2006-07	784	20 March 2007	n/a
2nd Report 2007: Report on an inquiry into the scrutiny of European legislation	783	20 March 2007	No Response
1st Report 2007: Report on an inquiry into the European Commission's Strategy for Growth and Jobs	732	2 February 2007	No Response
5th Report 2006: Report on the Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Bill	645	28 September 2006	No Response
4th Report 2006: Report on an inquiry into the Scottish Executive's plans for future structural funds programmes 2007-13	611	27 June 2006	No Response
3rd Report 2006: Report on an Inquiry into Possible Co-operation Between Scotland and Ireland	607	22 June 2006	No Response
2nd Report 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	570	26 May 2006	n/a

**4.3.10 Finance Committee****Established:** 4 June 2003

**Remit:**

1. The remit of the Finance Committee is to consider and report on:
  - (a) any report or other document laid before the Parliament by members of the Scottish Executive containing proposals for, or budgets of, public expenditure or proposals for the making of a tax-varying resolution, taking into account any report or recommendations concerning such documents made to them by any other committee with power to consider such documents or any part of them;
  - (b) any report made by a committee setting out proposals concerning public expenditure;
  - (c) Budget Bills; and
  - (d) any other matter relating to or affecting the expenditure of the Scottish Administration or other expenditure payable out of the Scottish Consolidated Fund.
2. The Committee may also consider and, where it sees fit, report to the Parliament on the timetable for the Stages of Budget Bills and on the handling of financial business.
3. In these Rules, "public expenditure" means expenditure of the Scottish Administration, other expenditure payable out of the Scottish Consolidated Fund and any other expenditure met out of taxes, charges and other public revenue.  
(Standing Orders of the Scottish Parliament, Rule 6.6)

**Convener:** Wendy Alexander (from 21 November 2006)  
Des McNulty (until 17 November 2006)

**Deputy Convener:** John Swinney

**Membership:** The committee has 9 members.

**Meetings:** There were 25 meetings in the parliamentary year. 1 meeting on 6 November 2006 at Crichton University Campus, Dumfries.

	<b>Number</b>
Total meetings of the Committee	25
Meetings held wholly in private	0
Meetings held partly in private	18
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	1

**Meetings attended:**

<b>Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended (possible total)</b>
Wendy Alexander	Lab	17(25)
Andrew Arbuckle	LD	25(25)
Mark Ballard	Green	25(25)
Derek Brownlee	Con	23(25)
Malcolm Chisholm (from 7 February 2007)	Lab	2(2)
Gordon Jackson (from 23 November 2006)	Lab	6(8)
Frank McAveety	Lab	21(25)
Des McNulty (until 17 November 2006)	Lab	16(16)
Jim Mather	SNP	23(25)
Elaine Murray (until 6 February 2007)	Lab	21(23)
John Swinney	SNP	22(25)

<b>Substitute Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended</b>
Shiona Baird	Green	0
Robin Harper	Green	0
Janis Hughes	Lab	0
Alasdair Morrison	Lab	0
Alex Neil	SNP	0
John Scott	Con	0
Iain Smith	LD	0

**Reporters:** None

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Susan Duffy  
 Senior Assistant Clerk: Rosalind Wheeler  
 Assistant Clerk: Kristin Mitchell (until 6 February 2007)

**Advisers:** Professor Arthur Midwinter (Budget process)

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Number</b>
Scottish Executive Ministers	10
Scottish Executive officials	48
Members of the Scottish Parliament	9
Representatives of public bodies	20
Representatives of local authorities	2
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	6
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	0
Representatives of professional associations	0
Representatives of Voluntary sector	2
Other categories of witnesses	7



**Business transacted:**

<b>Business</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Details</b>
Inquiries	2	Accountability and Governance; Budget Process 2007-08
Consultations	0	
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	14	Tourist Board (Scotland) Bill; Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Bill; Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Bill; Adoption and Children (Scotland) Bill; Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill; Transport and Works (Scotland) Bill; Schools (Health Promotion and Nutrition) (Scotland) Bill; Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Bill; Prostitution (Public Places) (Scotland) Bill; Education (School Meals etc.) (Scotland) Bill; Commissioner for Older People (Scotland) Bill; Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Bill; Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Bill; Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill
Sewel Memorandums	1	Statistics and Registration Services Bill (2006-07)
SIs considered	0	
SSIs considered	2	1 draft affirmative 1 affirmative
Petitions considered	0	
Divisions held	5	23 January 2007: Statistics Bill; 31 October 2006: Take evidence from Budget Review Group ; 12 September 2006: Accountability and Governance report-new para proposed; 12 September 2006: Accountability and Governance report-insertion of words proposed; 12 September 2006: Accountability and Governance report-new wording proposed.
Plenary debates	3	S2M-05320 Taken in Chamber: 20 December 2006; S2M-05319: Taken in Chamber : 21 December 2006; S2M-04482: Taken in Chamber 7 June 2006.

**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2007:Annual Report, 2006-2007	807	28 March 2007	n/a
3 <sup>rd</sup> Report, 2007:Legacy Paper	787	14 March 2007	No Response
2 <sup>nd</sup> report, 2007:Subordinate Legislation	753	26 February 2007	No Response
1 <sup>st</sup> Report,2007: Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Statistics and Registration Services Bill	727	24 January 2007	22 March 2007
9 <sup>th</sup> Report,2006: Stage 2 of the 2007-08 Budget Process	695	12 December 2006	22 January 2007
8 <sup>th</sup> Report,2006: Subordinate Legislation	681	24 November 2006	No Response
7 <sup>th</sup> Report,2006:Inquiry into Accountability and Governance	631	15 September 2006	9 November 2006
6 <sup>th</sup> Report, 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	571	26 May 2006	n/a

### 4.3.11 Glasgow Airport Rail Link Bill Committee

- Established:** 1 March 2006
- Remit:** To consider and report to the Parliament on the Glasgow Airport Rail Link Bill
- Convener:** Margaret Jamieson  
**Deputy Convener:** Marlyn Glen
- Membership:** The committee has 5 members.
- Meetings:** There were 13 meetings in the parliamentary year. Two meetings were held outside the Parliament in Paisley

	Number
Total meetings of the Committee	13
Meetings held wholly in private	3
Meetings held partly in private	4
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	2

**Meetings attended:**

Members	Party	Number of meetings attended (possible total)
Andrew Arbuckle	LD	10 (13)
Marlyn Glen	Lab	10 (13)
Margaret Jamieson	Lab	9 (13)
Michael Matheson	SNP	8 (13)
Brian Monteith	Con	7 (13)

**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: David Cullum (from 2 October 2006)  
 Terry Shevlin (until 22 June 2006)

**Advisers:** Give details of any advisers

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	2
Scottish Executive officials	0
Members of the Scottish Parliament	0
Representatives of public bodies	13
Representatives of local authorities	3
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	3
Representatives of professional associations	0
Representatives of Voluntary sector	0
Other categories of witnesses	44

**Business transacted:** The only appropriate business was the consideration of the Glasgow Airport Rail Link Bill

Business	No	Details
Plenary debates	2	14 June 2006: motion S2M-4550 15 November 2006: motion S2M-5161

**Reports:**

Title	SP Paper number	Date of publication	Executive response
1st Report, 2006: Preliminary Stage Report on the Glasgow Airport Rail Link Bill	592	8 June 2006	No Response
2nd Report, 2006: Consideration Stage Report on the Glasgow Airport Rail Link Bill	656	30 October 2006	No Response

### 4.3.12 Health Committee

**Established:** 4 June 2003

**Remit:** To consider and report on matters relating to health policy and the National Health Service in Scotland and such other matters as fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Health and Community Care.

**Convener:** Roseanna Cunningham

**Deputy Convener:** Janis Hughes

**Membership:** The committee has 9 members.

**Meetings:** There were 25 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	<b>Number</b>
Total meetings of the Committee	25
Meetings held wholly in private	0
Meetings held partly in private	19
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

#### Meetings attended:

<b>Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended (possible total)</b>
Roseanna Cunningham	SNP	24 (25)
Helen Eadie	Lab	24 (25)
Janis Hughes	Lab	24 (25)
Kate Maclean	Lab	23 (25)
Duncan McNeil	Lab	24 (25)
Nanette Milne	Con	24 (25)
Shona Robison	SNP	24 (25)
Euan Robson	LD	22 (25)
Jean Turner	Ind	25 (25)

<b>Substitute Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended</b>
Ken Macintosh	Lab	2
Stewart Maxwell (until 7 November 2006)	SNP	0
Dave Petrie (from 1 November 2006)	Con	0
Margaret Smith (from 31 May 2006)	LD	0
Stewart Stevenson (from 15 November 2006)	SNP	0

**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Lynn Tullis (to 28 June 2006)  
Simon Watkins  
Karen O'Hanlon (from 3 October 2006)

Senior Assistant Clerk: Graeme Elliott

Assistant Clerk: David Simpson

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Number</b>
Scottish Executive Ministers	13
Scottish Executive officials	45
Members of the Scottish Parliament	0
Representatives of public bodies	17
Representatives of local authorities	12
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	3
Representatives of professional associations	28
Representatives of Voluntary sector	22
Other categories of witnesses	10

**Business transacted:**

<b>Business</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Details</b>
Inquiries	1	Care Inquiry
Consultations	1	Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Bill, 12 May – 18 August 2006
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	4	Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Bill Glasgow Airport Rail Link Bill Health Board Elections (Scotland) Bill Treatment of Drug Users (Scotland) Bill
Sewel Memorandums	0	
SIs considered	3	3 negative: SI 2006/1440; SI 2006/3338; SI 2006/3248
SSIs considered	68	3 draft affirmatives 2 affirmatives and 63 negatives: SSI 2006/221; SSI 2006/230; SSI/2006/272; SSI/2006/273; SSI/2006/274; SSI/2006/306; SSI 2006/307; SSI 2006/309; SSI 2006/310; SSI 2006/314; SSI 2006/320; SSI 2006/321; SSI 2006/327; SSI 2006/328; SSI 2006/329; SSI 2006/330; SSI 2006/334; SSI 2006/340; SSI 2006/344; SSI 2006/368; SSI/2006/420; SSI 2006/440; SSI 2006/459; SSI 2006/512; SSI 2006/516; SSI 2006/517; SSI 2006/542; SSI 2006/556 SSI 2006/559; SSI 2006/578; SSI 2006/579; SSI 2006/580; SSI 2006/592; SSI 2006/593; SSI 2007/11; SSI 2007/22; SSI 2007/29; SSI 2007/37; SSI 2007/67; SSI 2007/78; SSI 2007/100; SSI 2007/102; SSI 2007/103; SSI 2007/104; SSI 2007/105; SSI 2007/106; SSI 2007/139; SSI 2007/143; SSI 2007/144; SSI 2007/151; SSI 2007/188; SSI 2007/191; SSI 2007/192; SSI 2007/193; SSI 2007/205; SSI 2007/206; SSI 2007/207; SSI 2007/208; SSI 2007/222; SSI 2007/223; SSI 2007/225; SSI 2007/259
Petitions considered	4	PE807, PE897, PE952 and PE967.
Divisions held	0	
Plenary debates	1	20 September 2006: S2M-4795

**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
10th Report 2007: Legacy Paper	813	29 March 2007	No Response
9th Report 2007: The Treatment of Drug Users (Scotland) Bill	812	29 March 2007	No Response
8th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	811	29 March 2007	No Response
7th Report 2007: Annual Report 2006-2007	808	29 March 2007	n/a
6th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	792	21 March 2007	No Response
5th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	771	8 March 2007	No Response
4th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	749	21 February 2007	No Response
Local Provision of Mental Health Care in Scotland	744	14 February 2007	No Response
3rd Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	738	7 February 2007	No Response
2nd Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	728	25 January 2007	No Response
1st Report 2007: Stage 1 Health Board Elections (Scotland) Bill	712	10 January 2007	No Response
19th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	710	20 December 2006	No Response
18th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	683	29 November 2006	No Response
17th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	674	16 November 2006	No Response
16th Report 2006: The Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Bill	662	10 November 2006	No Response
15th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	661	8 November 2006	No Response
14th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	651	6 October 2006	No Response
13th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	641	25 September 2006	No Response
The Implementation of Direct Payments for People Who Use Care Services	624	25 July 2006	No Response
12th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	618	29 June 2006	No Response
11th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	608	23 June 2006	No Response
10th Report 2006: Report into Care Inquiry	594	13 June 2006	No Response
9th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	566	24 May 2006	No Response
8th Report 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	580	31 May 2006	n/a



### 4.3.13 Justice 1 Committee

**Established:** 4 June 2003

**Remit:** To consider and report on matters relating to the administration of civil and criminal justice, the reform of the civil and criminal law and such other matters as fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Justice, and the functions of the Lord Advocate other than as head of the systems of criminal prosecution and investigations of deaths in Scotland.

**Convener:** Pauline McNeill

**Deputy Convener:** Stewart Stevenson

**Membership:** The committee has 7 members.

**Meetings:** There were 49 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	<b>Number</b>
Total meetings of the Committee	49
Meetings held wholly in private	14
Meetings held partly in private	26
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

#### Meetings attended:

<b>Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended (possible total)</b>
Marlyn Glen	Lab	45(49)
Bruce McFee	SNP	42(49)
Pauline McNeill	Lab	48(49)
Margaret Mitchell	Con	46(49)
Mary Mulligan	Lab	46(49)
Mike Pringle	LD	46(49)
Stewart Stevenson	SNP	43(49)

<b>Substitute Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended</b>
Brian Adam	SNP	1
Bill Aitken	Con	0
Karen Gillon	Lab	1
Jim Wallace	LD	0

**Reporters:** Mary Mulligan: Family Support Services

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Callum Thomson

Senior Assistant Clerk: Euan Donald (until February 2007)

Douglas Wands

Assistant Clerk: Lewis McNaughton

**Advisers:** Desmond McCaffrey (Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Bill)

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	20
Scottish Executive officials	46
Members of the Scottish Parliament	0
Representatives of public bodies	23
Representatives of local authorities	0
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	0
Representatives of professional associations	18
Representatives of Voluntary sector	6
Other categories of witnesses	24

**Business transacted:**

<b>Business</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Details</b>
Inquiries	2	Family Support Services Inquiry; Scottish Criminal Record Office Inquiry
Consultations	0	
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	1	Rights of Relatives to Damages (Mesothelioma) (Scotland) Bill 27 September 2006
Bills considered	3	Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Bill; Scottish Commissioner for Human Rights Bill; Rights of Relatives to Damages (Mesothelioma) (Scotland) Bill
Sewel Memorandums	1	UK Borders Bill (2006-07): Discussed in committee: 6 March 2007
SIs considered	0	
SSIs considered	28	6 draft affirmatives and 22 negatives: SSI 2006/233; SSI 2006/234; SSI 2006/253; SSI 2006/254; SSI 2006/255; SSI 2006/295; SSI 2006/515; SSI 2006/539; SSI 2006/552; SSI 2006/610; SSI 2007/28; SSI 2007/53; SSI 2007/54; SSI 2007/59; SSI 2007/60; SSI 2007/68; SSI 2007/87; SSI 2007/163; SSI 2007/180; SSI 2007/181; SSI 2007/210; SSI 2007/211
Petitions considered	2	PE914; PE935
Divisions held	43	Criminal Proceedings etc (Reform) Scotland Bill amendments 188, 189, 190, 166, 106, Bill 46, 47, 49, 50 Scottish Commission for Human Rights Bill amendments 135, 136, 123, 137, 138, 141, 143, 5, 64, 67, 74, 76, 78, 83, 86, 95, 149, 131, 139, 132, 7A, 105, 7, 144, 12, 145, 146, 133, 134, 142, 6, 120, 1
Plenary debates	0	

**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
8th Report, 2007: Session 2 Legacy Report	824	30 March 2007	No Response
7th Report, 2007: Annual Report 2006-07	821	30 March 2007	n/a
6th Report, 2007: Subordinate Legislation	820	30 March 2007	No Response
5th Report, 2007: Subordinate Legislation	768	9 March 2007	No Response
4th Report, 2007: Legislative Consent Memorandum on the UK Borders Bill (LCM(S2) 14.1)	767	8 March 2007	No Response
3rd Report, 2007: Inquiry into the Scottish Criminal Record Office and Scottish Fingerprint Service	743	15 February 2007	23 March 2007
2nd Report, 2007: Subordinate Legislation	730	2 February 2007	No Response
1st Report, 2007: Stage 1 report on the Rights of Relatives to Damages (Mesothelioma) (Scotland) Bill	715	12 January 2007	No Response
11th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	634	15 September 2006	No Response
10th Report, 2006: Stage 1 Report on Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Bill	621	5 July 2006	25 August 2006
9th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	614	27 June 2006	No Response
8th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	602	19 June 2006	No Response
7th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	587	1 June 2006	No Response
6th Report, 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	581	31 May 2006	n/a
5th Report, 2006: Written evidence received on the Scottish Criminal Record Office inquiry	558	17 May 2006	No Response

### 4.3.14 Justice 2 Committee

**Established:** 4 June 2003

**Remit:** To consider and report on matters relating to the administration of civil and criminal justice, the reform of the civil and criminal law and such other matters as fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Justice, and the functions of the Lord Advocate other than as head of the systems of criminal prosecution and investigations of deaths in Scotland.

**Convener:** David Davidson

**Deputy Convener:** Bill Butler

**Membership:** The committee has 7 members.

**Meetings:** There were 32 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	Number
Total meetings of the Committee	32
Meetings held wholly in private	2
Meetings held partly in private	24
Joint meetings with other Committees	3
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

#### Meetings attended:

Members	Party	Number of meetings attended (possible total)
Jackie Baillie	Lab	28 (32)
Bill Butler	Lab	26 (32)
David Davidson	Con	31 (32)
Colin Fox	SSP	24 (32)
Maureen Macmillan	Lab	31 (32)
Michael Matheson (from 1 November 2006)	SNP	11 (16)
Stewart Maxwell (until 31 October 2006)	SNP	15 (16)
Jeremy Purvis	LD	31 (32)

Substitute Members	Party	Number of meetings attended
Cathie Craigie	Lab	3
Carolyn Leckie (until 5 September 2006)	SSP	0
Carolyn Leckie (from 11 January 2007)	SSP	0
Kenny MacAskill	SNP	4
Margaret Mitchell	Con	0
Mike Pringle	LD	0

**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Tracey Hawe  
Alison Walker (until 14 November 2006)

Senior Assistant Clerk: Anne Peat

Assistant Clerk: Steven Tallach

**Advisers:** Margaret Ross (Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill)

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	17
Scottish Executive officials	85
Members of the Scottish Parliament	1
Representatives of public bodies	26
Representatives from local authorities	2
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	4
Representatives from professional associations	9
Representatives of Voluntary sector	6
Other categories of witnesses	23

**Business transacted:**

Business	No	Details
Inquiries	5	Prisoner Escort and Court Custody Services Contract Inquiry; Budget Process 2007-08; Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Bill; Child-sex Offender Inquiry; Serious Crime Bill (UK)
Consultations	1	Christmas Day and New Year's Day Trading (Scotland) Bill
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	1	Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Bill 19 September 2006; 3 October 2006
Bills considered	4	Christmas Day and New Year's Day Trading (Scotland) Bill; Civil Appeals (Scotland) Bill; Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Bill; Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill
Sewel Memorandums	2	Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Bill (2006-07); Serious Crime Bill (2006-07)
SIs considered	1	SI 2006/1251

SSIs considered	38	3 affirmatives 10 draft affirmatives and 25 negatives: SSI 2006/315; SSI 2006/325; SSI 2006/456; SSI 2006/457; SSI 2006/466; SSI/2006/521; SSI 2007/8; SSI 2007/14; SSI 2007/15; SSI 2007/16; SSI 2007/24; SSI 2007/58; SSI 2007/72; SSI 2007/88; SSI 2007/89; SSI 2007/90; SSI 2007/92; SSI 2007/109; SSI 207/112; SSI 2007/120; SSI 2007/122; SSI 2007/125; SSI 2007/131; SSI 2007/134; SSI 2007/190
Petitions considered	3	PE893; PE863; PE862
Divisions held	67	27 February 2007, Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Bill – Stage 2 amendments 53, 82 and 83 13 February 2007, Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Bill – Stage 2 amendments 13, 14, 15, 23, 43, 45, 46, 47, 50, 51 and 52 16 January 2007, Christmas Day And New Year's Day Trading (Scotland) Bill - Stage 2 amendments 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 19 December 2006, Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Bill - Stage 1 Report 28 November 2006, Civil Appeals (Scotland) Bill - Stage 1 general principles not agreed to 31 October 2006, Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill - Stage 2 amendment 288 24 October 2006, Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill - Stage 2 amendments 221 and 297 3 October 2006, Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill - Stage 2 amendments 190, 228, 229, 232, 233, 234, 236, 256, 268, 275, 276, 279, 280, 284, 285, 286, 291 and 292 26 September 2006, Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill - Stage 2 amendments 1, 2, 10, 21, 96, 152, 153 154, 156, 158, 159, 164, 165, 166, 176, 177, 178, 180, 183, 186, 188, 189 and 192 20 June 2006 – SSI 2006/315
Plenary debates	1	20 December 2006: motion S2M-5246

**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
7th Report 2007: Legacy Paper	793	23 March 2007	No Response
6th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	790	22 March 2007	No Response
5th Report 2007: Annual Report 2006-2007	786	21 March 2007	n/a
4th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	759	28 February 2007	No Response
3rd Report 2007: Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Serious Crime Bill – LCM (S2) 13.1	757	28 February 2007	No Response
2nd Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	752	21 February 2007	No Response
1st Report 2007: Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Bill - LCM (S2) 10.1	720	18 January 2007	No Response
16th Report 2006: Stage 1 Report on the Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Bill	SP701	22 December 2006	8 January 2007
15th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	SP694	7 December 2006	No Response
14th Report 2006: Stage 1 Report on the Christmas Day and New Year's Day Trading (Scotland) Bill	SP666	14 November 2006	No Response
13th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	SP660	6 November 2006	No Response
12th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	SP640	22 September 2006	No Response
11th Report, 2006: Stage 1 Report on the Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill	SP615	30 June 2006	7 September 2006
10th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	SP609	23 June 2006	No Response
9th Report 2006: Report on Subordinate Legislation	SP599	16 June 2006	No Response
8th Report 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	SP582	31 May 2006	n/a
7th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	SP563	19 May 2006	No Response



### 4.3.15 Justice 2 Sub-Committee

**Established:** 28 June 2006

**Remit:** To inquire into and report to the Justice 2 Committee on: The extent of information which local communities should receive on child sex offenders within their locality; The way in which housing is allocated to sex offenders; Whether steps need to be taken to distinguish sexual offences against children from such offences against adults; Whether changes need to be made to the way in which sexual offences against children are considered and disposed of by the courts, and in particular, whether adequate sentencing options exist.

**Convener:** Jackie Baillie

**Deputy Convener:** Kenny MacAskill

**Membership:** The committee has 5 members.

**Meetings:** There were 8 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	<b>Number</b>
Total meetings of the Committee	8
Meetings held wholly in private	1
Meetings held partly in private	5
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

**Meetings attended:**

<b>Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended (possible total)</b>
Jackie Baillie	Lab	8 (8)
Alex Fergusson	Con	7 (8)
John Home Robertson	Lab	8 (8)
Kenny MacAskill	SNP	8 (8)
Jeremy Purvis	LD	8 (8)

**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Jennifer Smart

Senior Assistant Clerk: Claire Menzies Smith

**Advisers:** Professor Alec Spencer: Inquiry into child-sex offenders

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	1
Scottish Executive officials	4
Members of the Scottish Parliament	1
Representatives of public bodies	11
Representatives of local authorities	4
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	6
Representatives of trade unions	0
Representatives of professional associations	1
Representatives of Voluntary sector	0
Other categories of witnesses	2

**Business transacted:**

Business	No	Details
Inquiries	1	Child-sex offender inquiry
Consultations	0	
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	0	
Sewel Memorandums	0	
SIs considered	0	
SSIs considered	0	
Petitions considered	0	
Divisions held	0	
Plenary debates	0	

**Reports:**

Title	SP Paper number	Date of publication	Executive response
Justice System (Child-Sex Offenders)	No number	15 December 2006	No Response

### 4.3.16 Local Government and Transport Committee

**Established:** 4 June 2003

**Remit:** To consider and report on matters relating to local government (including local government finance), cities and community planning and such other matters (excluding finance other than local government finance) which fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Finance and Public Services; and matters relating to transport which fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Transport.

**Convener:** Bristow Muldoon

**Deputy Convener:** Fergus Ewing (from 9 May 2006)

**Membership:** The committee has 9 members.

**Meetings:** There were 29 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	Number
Total meetings of the Committee	29
Meetings held wholly in private	0
Meetings held partly in private	15
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

#### Meetings attended:

Members	Party	Number of meetings attended (possible total)
Andrew Arbuckle (until 11 May 2006)	LD	1(1)
Fergus Ewing	SNP	26(29)
Sylvia Jackson	Lab	17(29)
David McLetchie	Con	25(29)
Michael McMahon	Lab	27(29)
Paul Martin	Lab	29(29)
Bristow Muldoon	Lab	29(29)
Mike Rumbles (from 17 May 2006)	LD	26(28)
	SSP	
Tommy Sheridan	(until 2 September 2006) Sol	18(22)
	(from 3 September 2006)	
Maureen Watt	SNP	27(29)

Substitute Members	Party	Number of meetings attended
Rosemary Byrne (from 10 January 2007)	Sol	0
Colin Fox (until 15 September 2006)	SSP	0
Bruce McFee	SNP	1
John Farquhar Munro	LD	2
Elaine Murray	Lab	1
Murray Tosh	Con	1

**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Martin Verity  
 Senior Assistant Clerk: Alistair Macfie  
 Assistant Clerk: Rebecca Lamb (from 23 May 2006)

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	22
Scottish Executive officials	81
Members of the Scottish Parliament	2
Representatives of public bodies	13
Representatives of local authorities	7
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	0
Representatives of professional associations	0
Representatives of Voluntary sector	4
Other categories of witnesses	31

Business transacted:

Business	No	Details
Inquiries	1	Freight Transport Inquiry
Consultations	0	
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	3	Prostitution (Public Places) (Scotland) Bill; Transport and Works (Scotland) Bill; Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill
Sewel Memorandums	0	
SI considered	1	SI 2006/2837
SSIs considered	70	14 draft affirmatives, 1 affirmative and 55 negatives: SSI 2006/249; SSI 2006/250; SSI 2006/285; SSI 2006/338; SSI 2006/342; SSI 2006/402; SSI 2006/431; SSI 2006/446; SSI/2006/468; SSI 2006/471; SSI/2006/484; SSI 2006/514; SSI 2006/528; SSI 2006/557; SSI 2006/561; SSI 2006/573; SSI 2006/574; SSI 2006/575;

		SSI 2006/609; SSI 2006/613; SSI 2007/2; SSI 2007/3; SSI 2007/4; SSI 2007/23; SSI 2007/33; SSI 2007/34; SSI 2007/35; SSI 2007/36; SSI 2007/71; SSI 2007/76; SSI 2007/77; SSI 2007/79; SSI 2007/93; SSI 2007/95; SSI 2007/96; SSI 2007/97; SSI 2007/98; SSI 2007/108; SSI 2007/124; SSI 2007/128; SSI 2007/162; SSI 2007/170; SSI 2007/183; SSI 2007/196; SSI 2007/197; SSI 2007/198; SSI 2007/199; SSI 2007/200; SSI 2007/201; SSI 2007/202; SSI 2007/212; SSI 2007/213; SSI 2007/214; SSI 2007/215; SSI 2007/216
Petitions considered	5	PE 758, PE 855, PE 875, PE896, PE961
Divisions held	6	28 March 2007: S2M-5784 BIDs Regulations 6 March 2007: The Draft Business Improvements District (Ballot Arrangements) (Scotland) Regulations 2007-S2M-5585 23 January 2007: The Draft Scottish Local Government Elections Order 2007 24 October 2006: Provision of Rail Passenger Services (Scotland) Bill 30 May 2006: Accepting statement of reasons on proposed bill on abolition of tolls on the Tay and Forth bridges
Plenary debates	2	30 May 2006: Amendment 23A, LEARS Bill S2M-05018: Provision of Rail Passenger Services (Scotland) Bill (Taken in Chamber 9 November 2006) S2M-04926: Report into the Inquiry on Freight Transport in Scotland (Taken in Chamber 25 October 2006)

**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
8th Report, 2007: Annual Report 2006-07	822	29 March 2007	n/a
7th Report, 2007: 1 <sup>st</sup> Report, 2007: Subordinate Legislation	806	28 March 2007	No Response
6th Report, 2007: 1 <sup>st</sup> Report, 2007: Subordinate Legislation	769	8 March 2007	No Response
5th Report, 2007: Subordinate Legislation	748	22 February 2007	No Response
4th Report, 2007: Subordinate Legislation	745	15 February 2007	No Response
3rd Report, 2007: Subordinate Legislation	739	8 February 2007	No Response
2nd Report, 2007: Subordinate Legislation	726	23 January 2007	No Response
1st Report, 2007: Stage 1 Report on the Prostitution (Public Places) (Scotland) Bill	711	9 January 2007	No Response
19th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	704	20 December 2006	No Response
18th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	691	7 December 2006	No Response
17th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	679	29 November 2006	No Response
16th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	679	22 November 2006	No Response
15th Report, 2006: Stage 1 Report on the Transport and works (Scotland) Bill	668	14 November 2006	No Response
14th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	664	8 November 2006	No Response
13th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	643	27 September 2006	No Response
12th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	638	20 September 2006	No Response
11th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	626	6 September 2006	No Response
10th Report, 2006: Report on Inquiry into freight Transport in Scotland	619	4 July 2006	No Response
9th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	613	27 June 2006	No Response
8th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	598	15 June 2006	No Response
7th Report 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	583	31 May 2006	n/a

### 4.3.17 Procedures Committee

**Established:** 4 June 2003

**Remit:** The remit of the Procedures Committee is to consider and report on the practice and procedures of the Parliament in relation to its business. (Standing Orders of the Scottish Parliament, Rule 6.4)

**Convener:** Donald Gorrie

**Deputy Convener:** Karen Gillon

**Membership:** The committee has 7 members.

**Meetings:** There were 14 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	Number
Total meetings of the Committee	14
Meetings held wholly in private	1
Meetings held partly in private	9
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

#### Meetings attended:

Members	Party	Number of meetings attended (possible total)
Richard Baker	Lab	14 (14)
Chris Ballance (from 28 June 2006)	Green	9 (10)
Cathie Craigie (until 24 October 2006)	Lab	6 (8)
Karen Gillon	Lab	12 (14)
Donald Gorrie	LD	14 (14)
Robin Harper (until 28 June 2006)	Green	2 (4)
Alex Johnstone	Con	13 (14)
Kate Maclean (from 26 October 2006)	Lab	6 (6)
Bruce McFee	SNP	9 (14)

Substitute Members	Party	Number of meetings attended
Murdo Fraser	Con	0
Patrick Harvie	Green	1
Tricia Marwick	SNP	0
Irene Oldfather	Lab	0

**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Andrew Mylne  
 Senior Assistant Clerk: Mary Dinsdale  
 Assistant Clerk: Jonathan Elliott (until 20 June 2006)

**Visits:** 1 fact finding visit to the House of Commons, 10 October 2006

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	1
Scottish Executive officials	3
Members of the Scottish Parliament	1
Representatives of public bodies	0
Representatives from local authorities	0
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	0
Representatives from professional associations	0
Representatives of Voluntary sector	0
Other categories of witnesses	1

**Business transacted:**

Business	No	Details
Inquiries		Consolidation Bill Procedure Inquiry Review of Parliamentary Time Inquiry
Consultations	0	
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	1	Transport and Works (Scotland) Bill
Sewel Memorandums	0	
SIs considered	0	
SSIs considered	0	
Petitions considered	0	
Divisions held	0	
Plenary debates	4	11 May 2006: motion S2M-4380 26 September 2006: motion S2M-4870 12 December 2006: motion S2M-5311 21 February 2007: motion S2M-5626



**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
2nd Report 2007: Legacy Paper	791	21 March 2007	No Response
1st Report 2007: Annual Report 2006-07	775	13 March 2007	n/a
11th Report 2006: Review of Parliamentary Time	699	16 December 2006	No Response
10th Report 2006: Scottish Commission for Public Audit	698	14 December 2006	No Response
9th Report 2006: Rule 10.3.2 (the "20-day rule")	685	30 November 2006	No Response
8th Report 2006: Consolidation Bill Procedure	676	20 November 2006	No Response
7th Report 2006: Members' Interests (Parliamentary Determinations and Resolutions)	659	2 November 2006	No Response
6th Report 2006: Public Bills and Substitution	652	9 October 2006	No Response
5th Report 2006: Consultation Report on Parliamentary Time	635	19 Sept 2006	No Response
4th Report 2006: Motions and decisions	589	6 June 2006	No Response
3rd Report 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	572	26 May 2006	n/a

**4.3.18 Public Petitions Committee****Established:** 4 June 2003**Remit:** The remit of the Public Petitions Committee is to consider and report on: (a) whether a public petition is admissible; and (b) what action should be taken upon the petition, in accordance with the Rules in Chapter 15.  
(Standing Orders of the Scottish Parliament, Rule 6.10)**Convener:** Michael McMahon**Deputy Convener:** John Scott**Membership:** The committee has 9 members.**Meetings:** There were 16 meetings in the parliamentary year. The Committee met in Jedburgh on 26 June 2006 and Glasgow on 30 October 2006.

	<b>Number</b>
Total meetings of the Committee	16
Meetings held wholly in private	0
Meetings held partly in private	3
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	2

**Meetings attended:**

<b>Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended (possible total)</b>
Jackie Baillie	Lab	10 (16)
Helen Eadie	Lab	14 (16)
Charlie Gordon	Lab	12 (16)
Rosie Kane	SSP	9 (16)
Campbell Martin	Ind	9 (16)
Michael McMahon	Lab	16 (16)
John Farquhar Munro	LD	13 (16)
John Scott	Con	14 (16)
Sandra White	SNP	14 (16)

<b>Substitute Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended</b>
Frances Curran (until 5 September 2006)	SSP	0
Susan Deacon	Lab	0
Colin Fox (from 11 January 2007)	SSP	0
Phil Gallie	Con	0
Rob Gibson	SNP	1

**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Jim Johnston (until 28 June 2006)  
David McGill (from 6 September 2006)

Assistant Clerk: Richard Hough

**Visits:** 0

**Events:**

26 June 2006 Civic Participation event on Public Petitions System, Jedburgh, 64 attendees  
30 October 2006 Civic Participation event on Public Petitions System, Glasgow 100 attendees

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	0
Scottish Executive officials	0
Members of the Scottish Parliament	20
Representatives of public bodies	1
Representatives of local authorities	0
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	1
Representatives of professional associations	0
Representatives of Voluntary sector	0
Other categories of witnesses	60

**Business transacted:**

Business	No	Details
Inquiries	0	
Consultations	0	
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	0	
Sewel Memorandums	0	
SIs considered	0	
SSIs considered	0	
Divisions held	0	
Plenary debates	0	

**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
2nd Report 2007: Annual Report 7 May 2006 - 2 April 2007	799	27 March 2007	n/a
1st Report 2007: Visit to Berlin (September 2006)	719	17 January 2007	No Response
Assessment of the Scottish Parliament's Public Petitions System 1999 – 2006	654	30 October 2006	No Response
1st Report 2006: Annual Report 2005– 06	573	26 May 2006	n/a

**Petitions Considered:**

	<i>no. of petitions</i>
<b>New petitions lodged from 7 May 2006 until 6 May 2007</b>	<b>88</b>
<b>Petitions considered by the Public Petitions Committee</b> <i>(Note: this figure will include some of the 88 petitions lodged)</i>	
<b>New petitions considered:</b>	<b>73</b>
PE959; PE960; PE961; PE962; PE963; PE952; PE964; PE954; PE966; PE968; PE967; PE965; PE969; PE970; PE971; PE973; PE974; PE972; PE953; PE977; PE979; PE976; PE978; PE981; PE980; PE989; PE988; PE975; PE987; PE990; PE986; PE985; PE999; PE983; PE984; PE982; PE993; PE1000; PE996; PE995; PE998; PE1006; PE991; PE992; PE1015; PE994; PE1008; PE1014; PE997; PE1005; PE1003; PE1002; PE1001; PE1016; PE1004; PE1017; PE1019; PE1007; PE1009; PE1018; PE1011; PE1026; PE1012; PE1010; PE1024; PE1020; PE1028; PE1031; PE1013; PE1027; PE1029; PE1030; PE1021.	
<b>Current petitions considered:</b> <i>(Note: the figure in brackets indicates the number of times the petition was considered during this period)</i>	<b>130</b>
PE504(2); PE905(2); PE867(2); PE898(2); PE899(2); PE816; PE829(2); PE842; PE714; PE858(2); PE877; PE767(2); PE917; PE902; PE903(2); PE904(2); PE837(2); PE808(2); PE910(2); PE908 & PE909; PE831; PE832; PE798(2); PE929(2); PE849(2); PE850; PE868(2); PE959(2); PE970(2); PE900 & PE928(2); PE860; PE911(2); PE812; PE920 & PE922(2); PE885; PE840; PE776, 814 & 826; PE914; PE935; PE923(2); PE783; PE942(2); PE943(2); PE921(2); PE580(2); PE878; PE880; PE863; PE930(2); PE932(2); PE934(2); PE825; PE936; PE938(2); PE535 & PE888(2); PE913(2); PE945 & PE955; PE817; PE894(2); PE931(2); PE893; PE941; PE759; PE855; PE789; PE857; PE859; PE937; PE944; PE695; PE616; PE887; PE873; PE947; PE956 & PE982; PE884; PE889; PE743, PE822 & PE881; & PE969; PE950; PE958; PE966; PE965; PE953; PE962; PE964; PE978; PE968; PE971; PE972; and PE795; PE768; PE871 and PE874; PE886; PE960; PE973; PE974; PE980; PE981;;PE1018; PE977; PE979; PE983; PE984; PE985; PE986; PE988; PE989; PE975; PE990; PE991; PE992; PE993; PE995; PE996; PE998; PE999; PE1000; PE1006.	
<b>Petitions Considered:</b>	
<b>1</b>	<b>Written submissions requested by the Public Petitions Committee</b>
<b>a</b>	<b>From the Scottish Executive:</b> <i>(Note: the figure in brackets indicates the number of times the Committee sought a written submission)</i>
	<b>77</b>

<b>b</b>	<b><i>From other bodies<sup>1</sup>:</i></b>	<b>199</b>
	Plagio UK	
	Headstart4 Babies UK	
	NHS QIS (4)	
	Scottish Cot Death Trust	
	British Assoc of Paediatric Surgeons	
	Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health	
	Royal College of Midwives	
	Association of Health Visitors	
	Scottish Arts Council (2)	
	Historic Scotland (4)	
	COSLA(13)	
	Planning Aid for Scotland (2)	
	Institute of Historic Building Conservation	
	Glasgow Housing Association	
	Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority	
	Friends of Loch Lomond	
	Royal Yachting Assoc (2)	
	Lake District National Park Authority	
	Scottish Chambers of Commerce	
	Central Scotland Police	
	Loch Lomond Association	
	Keep Windermere Alive Association	
	Fife Council	
	Sportscotland	
	Scottish Swimming	
	ACPOS (2)	
	Strathclyde Police (2)	
	Scottish Police Federation	
	Victim Support Scotland (2)	
	Scottish Youth Parliament	
	East Dunbartonshire Council	
	Scottish Muscle Network	
	Communities Scotland (2)	
	Tenant Participation Advisory Service	
	East Renfrewshire Council	
	Citizens Advice Scotland	
	Scottish Borders Council (2)	
	Scottish Public Services Ombudsman	
	Accountant in Bankruptcy	
	Money Advice Scotland	
	NHS Borders	
	Sleep Apnoea Trust	
	Lothian Sleep Centre	
	National Services Division of NHS Scotland	
	Public Health Institute for Scotland	
	Transport Scotland (2)	
	NESTRANS	

<sup>1</sup> More than 1 organisation may have been contacted for each petition.

TRANSform Scotland	
Aberdeen City Council	
Scottish Building Standards Agency	
Scottish Association of Building Standards Managers	
Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland	
City of Edinburgh Council	
Forth Ports plc	
Lothian and Borders Police	
Neuropsychology UK	
NHS Education Scotland	
British Psychological Society	
NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde	
UNISON	
Royal College of Nursing	
BMA	
Keep Scotland Beautiful	
North Lanarkshire Council	
CPG on Palestine	
Presiding Officer	
SPCB	
Child Poverty Action Group	
One Parent Families Scotland	
Poverty Alliance	
Association of Directors of Education (2)	
Save the Children	
NHS Health Protection Scotland	
Scott Barrie MSP	
Office of the Deputy Prime Minister	
Humanist Society of Scotland	
Scottish Inter-Faith Council	
Learning and Teaching Scotland	
Scottish Parent Teacher Council	
Church Groups	
EIS	
Alcohol Focus Scotland	
Scottish Retail Consortium	
Chancellor of the Exchequer	
Head Teachers' Association of Scotland	
Health & Safety Executive	
Association of Drug & Alcohol Action Teams	
Centre for Addiction Research and Education Scotland	
Scottish Drugs Forum	
Social Work Inspection Agency	
Fostering Network	
British Association for Adoption & Fostering	
Children 1 <sup>st</sup>	
National Institute for Clinical Excellence	
Greater Glasgow Health Board	
Lothian & Borders Health Board	
Tayside Health Board	
Fife Health Board	

	Beatson Institute for Cancer Research	
	Committee on the grant of honours, decorations and medals	
	Commonwealth Parliamentary Association	
	Dept of Trade and Industry	
	VisitScotland	
	Association of Scotland's Self Caterers	
	British Hospitality Assoc	
	Federation of Small Businesses in Scotland	
	Scottish Tourism Forum	
	Scottish Child Law Centre	
	Scottish Women's Aid	
	Families Need Fathers Scotland	
	Judicial Studies Committee	
	Scottish Courts Service	
	Association of Directors of Social Work	
	Crown Office	
	Scottish Fishermen's Federation	
	Scottish Natural Heritage(2)	
	Shetland Shellfish Management Organisation	
	North Atlantic Fisheries College	
	RSPB	
	Citizens Advice Scotland (2)	
	Dumfries & Galloway Council	
	NHS Lothian	
	Friends of the Earth Scotland	
	SEPA (2)	
	Sacone Environmental Limited	
	National Farmers Union Scotland	
	Angus Council	
	Health & Safety Scotland	
	Royal College of Physicians	
	Scottish Microbiology Society	
	Scottish Legal Aid Board	
	Law Society of Scotland (3)	
	Scottish Football Association	
	BBC Scotland	
	CPG on Sport	
	OfCom	
	Dept of Culture, Media & Sport	
	English Heritage	
	National Trust for Scotland	
	Perth and Kinross Council	
	Tayside Police	
	RAC Foundation for Motoring	
	Aberdeenshire Council (2)	
	Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents	
	Scottish Partnership for Palliative Care	
	Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Scotland	
	Royal Town Planning Institute	
	East Ayrshire Council	
	Confederation of Passenger Transport	



	Scottish Association for Public Transport	
	Bus Users UK	
	Lothian Buses	
	First Bus	
	Scottish Water	
	Information Commissioner for England and Wales	
	Dept of Health	
	Glasgow City Council	
	HITRANS	
	Caithness Partnership	
	Caithness Transport Strategy Group	
	Scottish Beer & Pub Assoc	
	Scottish Licensed Trade Association (3)	
	British Soft Drinks Association	
<b>2</b>	<b>Petitions referred to <i>Scottish Parliamentary Committees</i>:</b> PE961; PE855 Local Govt and Transport PE952; PE954; PE967 Health Committee PE903 Communities Committee PE914; PE935 Justice 1 Committee PE783 Enterprise and Culture Committee	<b>17</b>
	PE863; PE893 Justice 2 Committee	
	PE825 Education Committee	
	PE941; PE956; PE982 Environment and Rural Development Committee	
	PE1007 Equal Opportunities Committee PE1011 Environment and Rural Affairs	
<b>3</b>	<b>Petitions referred for information only to <i>Scottish Parliamentary Committees</i>:</b> PE970 Enterprise and Culture Committee PE850 European & External relations Committee PE987 Health Committee PE998; PE955 Education Committee	<b>5</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Petitions closed (without further consideration):</b> PE963; PE878; PE880; PE1014; PE1016; PE1029; PE1028;	<b>7</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Petitions withdrawn at the request of petitioner:</b>	<b>0</b>

**4.3.19 Standards and Public Appointments Committee****Established:** 18 March 2005

**Remit:**

1. The remit of the Standards and Public Appointments Committee is to consider and report on: (a) whether a member's conduct is in accordance with these Rules and any Code of Conduct for members, matters relating to members' interests, and any other matters relating to the conduct of members in carrying out their Parliamentary duties; (b) the adoption, amendment and application of any Code of Conduct for members; and (c) matters relating to public appointments in Scotland.
2. Where the Committee considers it appropriate, it may by motion recommend that a member's rights and privileges be withdrawn to such extent and for such period as are specified in the motion. (Standing Orders of the Scottish Parliament, Rule 6.5)

**Convener:** Brian Adam**Deputy Convener:** Bill Butler**Membership:** The committee has 7 members.**Meetings:** There were 10 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	<b>Number</b>
Total meetings of the Committee	10
Meetings held wholly in private	0
Meetings held partly in private	6
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

**Meetings attended:**

<b>Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended (possible total)</b>
Brian Adam	SNP	10(10)
Bill Butler	Lab	10(10)
Linda Fabiani	SNP	9(10)
Alex Fergusson	Con	7(10)
Donald Gorrie	LD	8(10)
Christine May	Lab	10(10)
Karen Whitefield	Lab	6(10)

<b>Substitute Members</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended</b>
Lord James Douglas-Hamilton	Con	0
Paul Martin	Lab	0
Alasdair Morgan	SNP	0

**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Jennifer Smart  
 Senior Assistant Clerk: Sarah Robertson

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	0
Scottish Executive officials	0
Members of the Scottish Parliament	2
Representatives of public bodies	0
Representatives of local authorities	0
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	0
Representatives of professional associations	0
Representatives of Voluntary sector	0
Other categories of witnesses	0

**Business transacted:**

Business	No	Details
Inquiries	0	
Consultations	0	
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	0	
Sewel Memorandums	0	
SIIs considered	0	
SSIIs considered	0	
Petitions considered	1	23 May 2006: PE951
Divisions held	0	
Plenary debates	7	S2M-04846: 28 September 2006 S2M-05431: 25 January 2007 S2M-05432: 25 January 2007 S2M-05433: 25 January 2007 S2M-05434: 25 January 2007 S2M-05678: 8 March 2007 S2M-05719: 14 March 2007

**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
3rd Report, 2007: Annual Report 2006-07	823	29 March 2007	n/a
2nd Report, 2007: Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament	763	6 March 2007	No Response
1st Report, 2007: Complaint against Brian Monteith MSP	756	1 March 2007	No Response
8th Report, 2006: Determinations required under the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Act 2006-Determination required under the schedule, paragraph 8	709	22 December 2006	No Response
7th Report,2006: Determinations required under the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Act 2006-Determination required under Section 13	708	22 December 2006	No Response
6th Report,2006: Determinations required under the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Act 2006-Determination required under Section 11	707	22 December 2006	No Response
5th Report,2006: Determinations required under the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Act 2006-Determination required under Section 4	706	22 December 2006	No Response
4th Report,2006: Complaint against Alasdair Morrison MSP	687	1 December 2006	No Response
3rd Report, 2006: Consultation on Determinations required under the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Act 2006	678	24 November 2006	No Response
2nd Report, 2006: Complaint against Mike Pringle MSP	636	22 September 2006	No Response
1st Report, 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	574	26 May 2006	n/a

### 4.3.20 Subordinate Legislation Committee

**Established:** 4 June 2003

**Remit:** The remit of the Subordinate Legislation Committee is to consider and report on: (a) any: (i) subordinate legislation laid before the Parliament; (ii) Scottish Statutory Instrument not laid before the Parliament but classified as general according to its subject matter, and, in particular, to determine whether the attention of the Parliament should be drawn to any of the matters mentioned in Rule 10.3.1; (b) proposed powers to make subordinate legislation in particular Bills or other proposed legislation; (c) general questions relating to powers to make subordinate legislation; and (d) whether any proposed delegated powers in particular Bills or other legislation should be expressed as a power to make subordinate legislation.  
(Standing Orders of the Scottish Parliament, Rule 6.11)

**Convener:** Sylvia Jackson

**Deputy Convener:** Gordon Jackson (until 23 November 2006)  
Ken Macintosh (from 28 November 2006)

**Membership:** The committee has 7 members.

**Meetings:** There were 34 meetings in the parliamentary year.

	Number
Total meetings of the Committee	34
Meetings held wholly in private	0
Meetings held partly in private	13
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

#### Meetings attended:

Members	Party	Number of meetings attended (possible total)
Janis Hughes (from 23 November 2006)	Lab	11 (16)
Adam Ingram	SNP	19 (34)
Dr Sylvia Jackson	Lab	24 (34)
Gordon Jackson (until 23 November 2006)	Lab	13 (18)
Ken Macintosh	Lab	32 (34)
Stewart Maxwell	SNP	32 (34)
Euan Robson (from 25 October 2006)	LD	12 (20)
Jamie Stone (until 6 October 2006)	LD	7 (13)
Murray Tosh	Con	26 (34)

Substitute Members	Party	Number of meetings attended
Ted Brocklebank	Con	0
Maureen Macmillan	Lab	0
Maureen Watt	SNP	1

**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Ruth Cooper  
Senior Assistant Clerk: David McLaren  
Assistant Clerk: Jake Thomas

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** The following witnesses were called to give oral evidence:

Category	Number
Scottish Executive Ministers	1
Scottish Executive officials	17
Members of the Scottish Parliament	1
Representatives of public bodies	0
Representatives of local authorities	0
UK Ministers	0
UK government officials	0
Members of the UK Parliament	0
Representatives from other legislatures	0
Representatives of trade unions	0
Representatives of professional associations	0
Representatives of Voluntary sector	0
Other categories of witnesses	5

**Business transacted:**

Business	No	Details
Inquiries	1	Regulatory Framework Inquiry
Consultations	0	
Proposed Members' Bills considered	0	
Draft Bills considered (Pre-legislative discussion)	0	
Bills considered	18	Adoption And Children (Scotland) Bill Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Bill Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Bill Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Bill Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. (Scotland) Bill Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Bill Crofting Reform etc. Bill Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Bill Health Board Elections (Scotland) Bill Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill

			Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill
			Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill
			Prostitution (Public Places) (Scotland) Bill
			Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Bill
			Schools (Health Promotion and Nutrition) (Scotland) Bill
			Transport and Works (Scotland) Bill
1.	Sewel Memorandums	3	Statistics and Registration Services Bill (2006-07); Further Education and Training Bill (2006-07); Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Bill (2006-07)
2.	SIs considered	9	4 draft affirmatives; 5 negatives: SI 2006/1251; SI 2006/1440; SI 2006/2837; SI 2006/3248; SI 2006/3338
	SSIs considered	208	43 draft affirmatives; 0 affirmatives; 165 negatives: SE 2006/162; SSI 2006/241; SSI 2006/244; SSI 2006/245; SSI 2006/246; SSI 2006/247; SSI 2006/248; SSI 2006/249; SSI 2006/250; SSI 2006/253; SSI 2006/254; SSI 2006/255; SSI 2006/264; SSI 2006/265; SSI 2006/266; SSI 2006/269; SSI 2006/270; SSI 2006/272; SSI 2006/273; SSI 2006/274; SSI 2006/276; SSI 2006/279; SSI 2006/284; SSI 2006/285; SSI 2006/295; SSI 2006/298; SSI 2006/306; SSI 2006/307; SSI 2006/308; SSI 2006/309; SSI 2006/310; SSI 2006/311; SSI 2006/312; SSI 2006/313; SSI 2006/314; SSI 2006/315; SSI 2006/316; SSI 2006/317; SSI 2006/318; SSI 2006/319; SSI 2006/320; SSI 2006/321; SSI 2006/322; SSI 2006/323; SSI 2006/324; SSI 2006/325; SSI 2006/326; SSI 2006/327; SSI 2006/328; SSI 2006/329; SSI 2006/330; SSI 2006/333; SSI 2006/334; SSI 2006/335; SSI 2006/337; SSI 2006/338; SSI 2006/339; SSI 2006/340; SSI 2006/341; SSI 2006/342; SSI 2006/343; SSI 2006/344; SSI 2006/368; SSI 2006/383; SSI 2006/398; SSI 2006/399; SSI 2006/402; SSI 2006/404; SSI 2006/419; SSI 2006/420; SSI 2006/430; SSI 2006/431; SSI 2006/440; SSI 2006/446; SSI 2006/448; SSI 2006/449; SSI 2006/450; SSI 2006/451; SSI 2006/452; SSI 2006/453; SSI 2006/456; SSI 2006/457; SSI 2006/459; SSI 2006/461; SSI 2006/464; SSI 2006/465; SSI 2006/466; SSI 2006/467; SSI 2006/468; SSI 2006/471; SSI 2006/474; SSI 2006/484; SSI 2006/485; SSI 2006/487; SSI 2006/505; SSI 2006/512; SSI 2006/514; SSI 2006/515; SSI 2006/516; SSI 2006/517; SSI 2006/521; SSI 2006/528; SSI 2006/530; SSI 2006/534; SSI 2006/539; SSI 2006/541; SSI 2006/542; SSI

		2006/543; SSI 2006/548; SSI 2006/552; SSI 2006/553; SSI 2006/554; SSI 2006/556; SSI 2006/557; SSI 2006/559; SSI 2006/561; SSI 2006/568; SSI 2006/570; SSI 2006/571; SSI 2006/572; SSI 2006/573; SSI 2006/574; SSI 2006/575; SSI 2006/576; SSI 2006/577; SSI 2006/578; SSI 2006/579; SSI 2006/580; SSI 2006/582; SSI 2006/592; SSI 2006/593; SSI 2006/594; SSI 2006/601; SSI 2006/602; SSI 2006/605; SSI 2006/606; SSI 2006/609; SSI 2006/610; SSI 2006/613; SSI 2006/614; SSI 2007/1; SSI 2007/2; SSI 2007/3; SSI 2007/4; SSI 2007/8; SSI 2007/11; SSI 2007/13; SSI 2007/14; SSI 2007/15; SSI 2007/16; SSI 2007/19; SSI 2007/22; SSI 2007/23; SSI 2007/24; SSI 2007/27; SSI 2007/28; SSI 2007/29; SSI 2007/32; SSI 2007/33; SSI 2007/34; SSI 2007/35; SSI 2007/36; SSI 2007/37; SSI 2007/39; SSI 2007/40
Petitions considered	0	
Divisions held	0	
Plenary debates	1	8 June 2006: motion S2M-4502

**Reports:**

Title	SP Paper number	Date of publication	Executive response
24th Report 2007: Session 2 Legacy Paper	816	29 March 2007	No Response
23rd Report 2007: Annual Report 2006-07	815	29 March 2007	n/a
22nd Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	809	28 March 2007	No Response
21st Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	789	21 March 2007	No Response
20th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	778	15 March 2007	No Response
19th Report 2007: Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Bill as amended at Stage 2	777	15 March 2007	No Response
18th Report 2007: Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Bill - as amended at Stage 2	772	8 March 2007	No Response
17th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	765	7 March 2007	No Response
16th Report 2007: Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Bill as amended at Stage 2	755	1 March 2007	No Response
15th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	754	28 February 2007	No Response
14th Report 2007: Inquiry into the Regulatory Framework in Scotland	751	23 February 2007	No Response
13th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	750	22 February	No Response



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12th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	746	15 February 2007	No Response
11th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	741	8 February 2007	No Response
10th Report 2007: Transport and Works (Scotland) Bill as amended at stage 2	740	8 February 2007	No Response
9th Report 2007: Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Bill as amended at stage 2	734	8 February 2007	No Response
8th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation Committee	733	7 February 2007	No Response
7th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	731	1 February 2007	No Response
6th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	729	26 January 2007	No Response
5th Report 2007: Crofting Reform etc. Bill as Amended at Stage 2	725	22 January 2007	No Response
4th Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	724	22 January 2007	No Response
3rd Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	723	19 January 2007	No Response
2nd Report 2007: Criminal Proceedings etc (Reform) (Scotland) Bill as amended at Stage 2	721	17 January 2007	No Response
1st Report 2007: Subordinate Legislation	716	16 January 2007	No Response
49th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	703	20 December 2006	No Response
48th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	697	13 December 2006	No Response
47th Report 2006: Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill as amended at Stage 2	696	13 December 2006	No Response
46th Report 2005: Adoption and Children (Scotland) Bill as amended at Stage 2	693	7 December 2006	No Response
45th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	692	7 December 2006	No Response
44th Report 2006: Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill as amended at Stage 2	688	30 November 2006	No Response
43rd Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	682	29 November 2006	No Response
42nd Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	680	23 November 2006	No Response
41st Report 2006: Planning (Scotland) Bill as amended at Stage 2	671	15 November 2006	No Response
40th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	670	15 November 2006	No Response
39th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	665	9 November 2006	No Response
38th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	658	2 November	No Response

		2006	
37th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	655	25 October 2006	No Response
36th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	649	4 October 2006	No Response
35th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	644	29 September 2006	No Response
34th Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	639	21 September 2006	No Response
33rd Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	630	12 September 2006	No Response
32nd Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	627	7 September 2006	No Response
31st Report 2006: Subordinate Legislation	617	29 June 2006	No Response
30th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	606	22 June 2006	No Response
29th Report, 2006: Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill as amended at Stage 2	603	21 June 2006	No Response
28th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	597	14 June 2006	No Response
27th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	591	7 June 2006	No Response
26th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	588	1 June 2006	No Response
25th Report, 2006: Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Bill as amended at Stage 2	585	31 May 2006	No Response
24th Report, 2006: Annual Report 2005-06	575	26 May 2006	n/a
23rd Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	567	25 May 2006	No Response
22nd Report, 2006: Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill as amended at Stage 2	565	24 May 2006	No Response
21st Report, 2006: Inquiry into the Regulatory Framework in Scotland - Draft Report	564	23 May 2006	No Response
20th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	560	17 May 2006	No Response
19th Report, 2006: Subordinate Legislation	555	11 May 2006	No Response

#### 4.3.21 Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill Committee

- Established:** 21 January 2004
- Remit:** To consider and report to the Parliament on the Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill
- Convener:** Tricia Marwick (until 24 July 2006)  
**Deputy Convener:** Christine May (until 24 July 2006)
- Membership:** The committee has 5 members.
- Meetings:** There was 1 meeting in the parliamentary year.

	Number
Total meetings of the Committee	1
Meetings held wholly in private	1
Meetings held partly in private	0
Joint meetings with other Committees	0
Meetings held outside the Parliament	0

**Meetings attended:**

Members	Party	Number of meetings attended (possible total)
Ted Brocklebank (until 24 July 2006)	Con	1 (1)
Gordon Jackson (until 24 July 2006)	Lab	1 (1)
Tricia Marwick (until 24 July 2006)	SNP	1 (1)
Christine May (until 24 July 2006)	Lab	1 (1)
Margaret Smith (until 24 July 2006)	LD	1 (1)

**Reporters:** 0

**Clerking staff:**

Committee Clerk: Fergus Cochrane

**Advisers:** 0

**Visits:** 0

**Events:** 0

**Witnesses:** 0

**Business transacted:** The only appropriate business for the consideration of the Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill.

**Plenary debates:** 14 June 2006: motion S2M-4451

**Reports:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>SP Paper number</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Executive response</b>
2nd Report, 2006: Consideration Stage Report	554	9 May 2006	No Response
1st Report, 2006: Appropriate Assessment on the River Tweed Special Area of Conservation	553	9 May 2006	No Response

## 5. Legislation

### 5.1 Bills and Proposed Bills 7 May 2006 – 2 April 2007.

#### 5.1.1 Summary

##### Proposals for Bills

<b>Members' Bills</b>	
Draft Proposals lodged	14
Draft Proposals fell	13
Draft Proposals withdrawn	1
Final Proposals lodged after no consultation	0
Final Proposals lodged after consultation	9
Final Proposals fell	8
Final Proposals withdrawn	1

<b>Bills introduced</b>	
Executive Bills	9
Members' Bills	7
Committee Bills	0
Private Bills	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17</b>

<b>Bills fell</b>	
Executive Bills	0
Members' Bills	8
Committee Bills	0
Private Bills	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>

<b>Bills withdrawn</b>	
Executive Bills	0
Members' Bills	2
Committee Bills	0
Private Bills	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>

<b>Bills passed</b>	
Executive Bills	22
Members' Bills	2
Committee Bills	1
Private Bills	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29</b>

<b>Royal Assent</b>	
Received (Acts of Scottish Parliament)*	30
Average number of days taken to pass Bills (from date of introduction to date of Royal Assent)	339

\*Some of these Acts received Royal assent after the end of the Parliamentary Year.

**5.1.2 Progress of Public Bills during the fourth parliamentary year of Session 2, in chronological order of introduction**

Bill Title	SP Bill number	Type	Length	Introduction	Stage 1		Stage 2	Stage 3			Royal Assent			
					Lead Committee	Other Committees	Stage 1 Report	Plenary	Committee	Plenary	Passed	Length <sup>1</sup>	Date	Length of passage (calendar days)
St Andrew's Day Bank Holiday (Scotland) Bill	41				EC 06 Jun 06 EC 05 Sep 06 EC 12 Sep 06 EC 19 Sep 06		SP 637 28 Sep 06	EC 7 Nov 06	29 Nov 06	29 Nov 06		15 Jan 2007	607	2007 asp 2
Environmental Levy on Plastic Bags (Scotland) Bill	43						SP 642 Bill withdrawn 24 Oct 06							
Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Bill	44								08 Jun 06	08 Jun 06	13	13 Jul 06	305	2006 asp 12
Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Bill	45								10 May 06	10 May 06	15	14 Jun 06	260	2006 asp 8
Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill	46							After Stage 2: SL 16 May 06 SL 23 May 06 Report: SP 565	25 May 06	25 May 06	110	04 Jul 06	278	2006 asp 10
Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Bill	47							After Stage 2: SL 23 May 06 SL 30 May 06 Report: SP 585	31 May 06	31 May 06	63	11 Jul 06	280	2006 asp 11
Scottish Commission for Human Rights Bill	48							J1 20 Sep 06 J1 27 Sep 06	2 Nov 06	2 Nov 06	18	8 Dec 06	428	2006 asp 16

Bill Title	SP Bill number	Type	Length	Introduction	Stage 1				Stage 2	Stage 3			Royal Assent		
					Lead Committee	Other Committees	Stage 1 Report	Plenary	Committee	Plenary	Passed	Length <sup>1</sup>	Date	Length of passage (calendar days)	Act number
Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. (Scotland) Bill	50						SP 559 24 May 06		EC 13 Jun 06 EC 20 Jun 06 EC 12 Sep 06 EC 19 Sep 06 EC 26 Sep 06 EC 3 Oct 06 EC 24 Oct 06 EC 07 Nov 06  After Stage 2: FI 28 Nov 06  SL 21 Nov 06 SL 28 Nov 06 Report: SP 688	30 Nov 06	30 Nov 06	221	15 Jan 07	421	2007 asp 3
Planning etc. (Scotland) Bill	51						SP 552 17 May 06	COM 14 Jun 06 COM 21 Jun 06 COM 06 Sep 06 COM 13 Sep 06 COM 20 Sep 06 COM 27 Sep 06 COM 04 Oct 06  After Stage 2: SL 07 Nov 06 SL 14 Nov 06 Report: SP 671	15 Nov 06 16 Nov 06	16 Nov 06	95	20 Dec 06	367	2006 asp 17	
Local Electoral and Administration Registration Services (Scotland) Bill	52							LGT 30 May 06  After Stage 2:	22 Jun 06	22 Jun 06	10	01 Aug 06	226	2006 asp 14	

Bill Title	SP Bill number	Type	Length	Introduction	Stage 1				Stage 2	Stage 3			Royal Assent		
					Lead Committee	Other Committees	Stage 1 Report	Plenary	Committee	Plenary	Passed	Length <sup>1</sup>	Date	Length of passage (calendar days)	Act number
Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Bill	55				J1 10 May 06 J1 17 May 06 J1 24 May 06 J1 31 May 06 J1 14 Jun 06 J1 21 Jun 06 J1 28 Jun 06 J1 06 Sep 06	FI 09 May 06 SL 09 May 06 SL 23 May 06	SP 621 14 Sep 06 Pre Stage 2: J1 20 Sep 06 J1 27 Sep 06	SL 13 Jun 06 SL 20 Jun 06 Report: SP 603 J1 04 Oct 06 J1 08 Nov 06 J1 15 Nov 06 J1 22 Nov 06 After Stage 2: SL 09 Jan 07 SL 16 Jan 07	18 Jan 07	18 Jan 07	97	22 Feb 07	392	2007 asp 6	
Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Bill	56				J2 09 May 06 J2 16 May 06 J2 23 May 06 J2 30 May 06 J2 13 Jun 06 J2 20 Jun 06 J2 27 Jun 06	FI 16 May 06 SL 09 May 06	SP 615 07 Sep 06 28 Sep 06	J2 26 Sep 06 J2 03 Oct 06 J2 24 Oct 06 J2 31 Oct 06 After Stage 2: SL 05 Dec 06 Report: SP 696	14 Dec 06	14 Dec 06	91	19 Jan 07	325	2007 asp 5	
Crofting Reform etc. Bill	57				ERD 08 May 06 ERD 15 May 06 ERD 17 May 06 ERD 24 May 06 ERD 31 May 06 ERD 07 Jun 06 ERD 14 Jun 06 ERD 21 Jun 06 ERD 28 Jun 06 ERD 29 Jun 06 ERD 20 Sep 06	SL 09 May 06	SP 620 27 Sep 06	ERD 15 Nov 06 ERD 22 Nov 06 ERD 29 Nov 06 After Stage 2: SL 16 Jan 07 Report: 725	25 Jan 07	25 Jan 07	69	01 Mar 07	365	2007 asp 7	



Bill Title	SP Bill number	Type	Length	Introduction	Stage 1				Stage 2	Stage 3			Royal Assent		
					Lead Committee	Other Committees	Stage 1 Report	Plenary	Committee	Plenary	Passed	Length <sup>1</sup>	Date	Length of passage (calendar days)	Act number
Christmas Day and New Year's Day Trading (Scotland) Bill	58				J2 05 Sep 06 J2 12 Sep 06 J2 19 Sep 06 J2 03 Oct 06 J2 24 Oct 06 J2 07 Nov 06			SP 666 22 Nov 06	J2 16 Jan 07	07 Mar 07	07 Mar 07	3	13 Apr 07	390	2007 asp 13
Tourist Boards (Scotland) Bill	60				ECC 09 May 06 ECC 16 May 06 ECC 30 May 06	FI 09 May 06		SP 593 29 Jun 06	ECC 26 Sep 06	25 Oct 06	25 Oct 06	5	30 Nov 06	256	2006 asp 15
Adoption and Children (Scotland) Bill	61				EC 10 May 06 EC 17 May 06 EC 24 May 06 EC 31 May 06 EC 07 Jun 06 EC 21 Jun 06 EC 28 Jun 06	FI 09 May 06 FI 16 May 06 FI 23 May 06		SP 612 13 Sep 06  Pre-Stage 2: EC 27 Sep 06	EC 04 Oct 06 EC 01 Nov 06 EC 08 Nov 06  After Stage 2: EC 28 Nov 06 Report: SP 693	07 Dec 06	07 Dec 06	75	15 Jan 07	295	2007 asp 4
Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Bill	62				HC 05 Sep 06 HC 12 Sep 06 HC 19 Sep 06 HC 26 Sep 06 HC 03 Oct 06 HC 24 Oct 06 HC 31 Oct 06	FI 13 Jun 06 FI 20 Jun 06 FI 05 Sep 06		SP 662 22 Nov 06	HC 12 Dec 06 HC 19 Dec 06  After Stage 2: SL 06 Feb 07 Report: SP 734	15 Feb 07	15 Feb 07	60	21 Mar 07	357	2007 asp 10
Health Board Elections (Scotland) Bill	63				HC 24 Oct 06 HC 31 Oct 06 HC 07 Nov 06 HC 14 Nov 06 HC 28 Nov 06 HC 05 Dec 06	SL 06 Jun 06 SL 27 Jun 06		SP 712 31 Jan 07 (Fell)							

Bill Title	SP Bill number	Type	Length	Introduction	Stage 1				Stage 2	Stage 3			Royal Assent		
					Lead Committee	Other Committees	Stage 1 Report	Plenary	Committee	Plenary	Passed	Length <sup>1</sup>	Date	Length of passage (calendar days)	Act number
Senior Judiciary (Vacancies and Incapacity) (Scotland) Bill	65	EM	3	13 Jun 06	HC 12 Dec 06 HC 19 Dec 06			15 Jun 06	15 Jun 06	15 Jun 06	15 Jun 06	3	27 Jun 06	15	2006 asp 9
Transport and Works (Scotland) Bill	66	Ex	29	26 Jun 06	LGT 05 Sep 06 LGT 12 Sep 06 LGT 19 Sep 06 LGT 26 Sep 06 LGT 03 Oct 06 LGT 31 Oct 06 LGT 07 Nov 06	FI 12 Sep 06 FI 19 Sep 06 FI 26 Sep 06 PR 12 Sep 06 PR 03 Oct 06 SL 05 Sep 06 SL 19 Sep 06	SP 668 22 Nov 06 After Stage 1: PR 28 Nov 06	LGT 12 Dec 06 After Stage 2: SL 31 Jan 07 SL 06 Feb 07 Report: SP 740	08 Feb 07	08 Feb 07	35	14 Mar 07	262	2007 asp 8	
Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Bill	67	Ex	25	29 Jun 06	ERD 27 Sep 06 ERD 04 Oct 06 ERD 24 Oct 06 ERD 01 Nov 06 ERD 08 Nov 06 ERD 22 Nov 06 ERD 29 Nov 06	FI 19 Sep 06 FI 03 Oct 06 SL 12 Sep 06 SL 26 Sep 06	SP 690 20 Dec 06	ERD 24 Jan 07 ERD 31 Jan 07 After Stage 2: SL 20 Feb 07 SL 27 Feb 07 Report: SP 755	01 Mar 07	01 Mar 07	27	05 Apr 07	281	2007 asp 12	
Schools (Health Promotion and Nutrition) (Scotland) Bill	68	Ex	6	08 Sep 06	COM 24 Oct 06 COM 01 Nov 06 COM 08 Nov 06 COM 15 Nov 06 COM 22 Nov 06 COM 06 Dec 06 COM 19 Dec 06 COM 10 Jan 07	FI 19 Sep 06 FI 31 Oct 06 FI 07 Nov 06 FI 21 Nov 06	SP 718 24 Jan 07	COM 13 Feb 07	14 Feb 07	14 Feb 07	7	19 Apr 07	224	2007 asp 15	



Bill Title	SP Bill number	Type	Length	Introduction	Stage 1				Stage 2	Stage 3			Royal Assent		
					Lead Committee	Other Committees	Stage 1 Report	Plenary	Committee	Plenary	Passed	Length <sup>1</sup>	Date	Length of passage (calendar days)	Act number
						FI 21 Nov 06 (Fell)									
Rights of Relatives to Damages (Mesothelioma) (Scotland) Bill	75	Ex	1	27 Sep 06	J1 29 Nov 06 J1 06 Dec 06 J1 13 Dec 06 J1 09 Jan 07		SP 715 01 Feb 07	J1 21 Feb 07	21 Mar 07	21 Mar 07	2	16 Apr 07	202	2007 asp 18	
Scottish Register of Tartans Bill	76	MB	10	27 Sep 06	EC 14 Nov 06 EC 05 Dec 06 EC 16 Jan 07 (Withdrawn)										
Civil Appeals (Scotland) Bill	77	MB	7	29 Sep 06			20 Dec 06 (Fell)								
Provision of Rail Passengers Services (Scotland) Bill	78	MB	3	29 Sep 06			9 Nov 06 (Fell)								
Treatment of Drug Users (Scotland) Bill	79	MB	3	29 Sep 06			SP 812 (Fell)								
Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Bill	80	Ex	34	02 Oct 06	J2 24 Oct 06 J2 07 Nov 06 J2 14 Nov 06 J2 21 Nov 06 J2 28 Nov 06 J2 05 Dec 06 J2 12 Dec 06 J2 19 Dec 06 J2 09 Jan 07	FI 14 Nov 06 J2 28 Nov 06 SL 31 Oct 06 SL 21 Nov 06	SP 701 11 Jan 07  Pre-Stage 2 J2 16 Jan 07	J2 06 Feb 07 J2 13 Feb 07 J2 20 Feb 07 J2 27 Feb 07	15 Mar 07	15 Mar 07	47	19 Apr 07	200	2007 asp 15	
Budget (No4) Scotland Bill	BB		20	18 Jan 07			25 Jan 07  After Stage 1: SL 06 Feb 07 <b>Report: SP</b>	FI 06 Feb 07	14 Feb 07	14 Feb 07	20	20 Mar 07	62	2007 asp 9	

**5.1.3 Progress of Private Bills during the fourth parliamentary year of Session 2, in chronological order of introduction**

Bill Title	SP Bill number	Type	Length	Introduction	Stage 1				Stage 2	Stage 3			Royal Assent		
					Lead Committee	Other Committees	Stage 1 Report	Plenary	Committee	Plenary	Passed	Length <sup>1</sup>	Date	Length of passage (calendar days)	Act number
Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill									WAV 24 May 06 Report: SP 554	14 Jun 06	14 Jun 06	86	24 Jul 06	1048	2006 asp 13
Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill									ET1 17 May 05 ET1 14 Jun 05 ET1 21 Jun 05 ET1 27 Jun 05 ET1 05 Sep 05 ET1 13 Sep 05 ET1 19 Sep 05 ET1 27 Sep 05 ET1 28 Sep 05 ET1 03 Oct 05 ET1 25 Oct 05 ET1 01 Nov 05 ET1 07 Nov 05 ET1 08 Nov 05 ET1 14 Nov 05 ET1 22 Nov 05 ET1 29 Nov 05 ET1 05 Dec 05 ET1 13 Dec 05 ET1 10 Jan 06 ET1 31 Jan 06 ET1 07 Feb 06 ET1 21 Feb 06 ET1 14 Mar 06	29 Mar 06	29 Mar 06	64	08 May 06	831	2006 asp 7

Bill Title	SP Bill number	Type	Length	Introduction	Stage 1				Stage 2	Stage 3			Royal Assent		
					Lead Committee	Other Committees	Stage 1 Report	Plenary	Committee	Plenary	Passed	Length <sup>1</sup>	Date	Length of passage (calendar days)	Act number
									ET2 14 Jun 05 ET2 01 Nov 05 Report: SP 510						
Glasgow Airport Rail Link Bill					GARL 08 May 06 GARL 15 May 06 GARL 22 May 06 GARL 30 May 06 GARL 05 Jun 06		SP 592	21 Jun 06 Pre- Consideration Stage: GARL 22 Jun 06	GARL 02 Oct 06 GARL 03 Oct 06 GARL 24 Oct 06 GARL 14 Nov 06 Report: SP 656	29 Nov 06	29 Nov 06	41	15 Jan 07	350	2007 asp 1
Edinburgh Airport Rail Link Bill					EARL 06 Jun 06 EARL 13 Jun 06 EARL 20 Jun 06 EARL 27 Jun 06 EARL 05 Sep 06		SP 632	21 Sep 06 Pre- Consideration Stage: EARL 21 Sep 06	EARL 19 Dec 06 EARL 23 Jan 07 EARL 30 Jan 07 EARL 27 Feb 07 Reports: SP 735 SP 736 SP 737	14 Mar 07	14 Mar 07	61	19 Apr 07	400	2007 asp 16
Airdrie-Bathgate Railway and Linked Improvements (Scotland) Bill	64	P		30 May 06	ABRL 04 Sep 06 ABRL 11 Sep 06 ABRL 18 Sep 06		SP 667	23 Nov 06 Pre- Consideration Stage: ABRL 23 Nov	ABRL 12 Feb 07 ABRL 01 Mar 07 ABRL 14 Mar 07 Reports: SP 761	28 Mar 07	28 Mar 07	87	08 May 07	344	2007 asp 19



## 5.2 Subordinate Legislation

	From 7 May 06	Jun 06	Jul 06	Aug 06	Sep 06	Oct 06	Nov 06	Dec 06	Jan 07	Feb 07	Mar 07	To 2 Apr 07	Total
No. of Affirmative Instruments	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	2	7	0	0	15
No. of Draft Affirmative Instruments	10	7	1	1	1	1	5	5	4	19	0	0	54
No. of Negative Instruments	25	40	4	5	19	10	30	12	17	56	101	0	319
No. of Draft Negative Instruments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
No. of Instruments Laid (not subject to any parliamentary procedure)	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	4
No. of Instruments Not Laid	10	15	9	8	9	6	13	8	7	16	17	0	118
<b>Total No. of Instruments</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>511</b>



## 6. Other Parliamentary Business

### 6.1 Documents laid other than Statutory Instruments

Chapter 14 of the Parliament's Standing Orders provides rules as to the laying of documents before the Parliament. Many types of documents, such as financial reports or annual reports of public bodies, are required by legislation or otherwise to be so laid.

From 7 May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	April 2007	To 6 May 2007
7	23	27	6	19	49	38	36	11	12	62	0	0

### 6.2 Rules Changes to Standing Orders

Chapter	Rule and paragraph number	The nature of the change, the date it came into force and the Procedures Committee report that recommended the change
1	1.8	Rule inserted, 22.12.06, 7th Report 2006 (S2)
3	3.5.2	Paragraph amended, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
3	3.11A	Rule inserted, 19.05.06, 2nd Report 2006 (S2)
	3.12	Rule inserted, 19.05.06, 2nd Report 2006 (S2)
	3A.1.1	Paragraph amended, 19.05.06, 2nd Report 2006 (S2)
	3A.1.2	Paragraph replaced, 19.05.06, 2nd Report 2006 (S2)
	3A.2	Rule deleted, 19.05.06, 2nd Report 2006 (S2)
6	6.3.5	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
	6.3A.1	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
	6.3A.2	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
	6.3A.4	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
	6.3A.5	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
	6.3B	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
8	8.2.3	Paragraph replaced, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
	8.2.5	Paragraph amended, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
	8.2.8	Paragraph inserted, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
	8.2.9	Paragraph inserted, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
	8.5.3	Paragraph replaced, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
	8.5.5	Paragraph amended, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
	8.5.6	Paragraph replaced, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
	8.5.7	Paragraph inserted, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
	8.6.4C	Paragraph inserted, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
9	9.6.7	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 8th Report 2006 (S2)
	9.13A	Rule inserted, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
	9.15.8	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Rule and paragraph number</b>	<b>The nature of the change, the date it came into force and the Procedures Committee report that recommended the change</b>
	9.18.1	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 8th Report 2006 (S2)
	9.18.2	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 8th Report 2006 (S2)
	9.18.5	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 8th Report 2006 (S2)
	9.18.6	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 8th Report 2006 (S2)
	9.18.7	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 8th Report 2006 (S2)
	9.18.8	Paragraph inserted, 22.12.06, 8th Report 2006 (S2)
	9.18A	Rule inserted, 22.12.06, 8th Report 2006 (S2)
	9.21.5	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
	9.21.6	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
10		
	10.3.2	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 9th Report 2006 (S2)
11		
	11.4.2	Paragraph amended, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
	11.11.1	Paragraph amended, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
12		
	12.2.2	Paragraph amended, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
	12.2A	Rule replaced, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
	12.8.2	Paragraph corrected, 22.12.06
17		
	17.1.1	Paragraph amended, 6.10.06, 4th Report 2006 (S2)
	17.2A	Rule inserted, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
	17.6	Rule inserted, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)
18		Chapter deleted, 22.12.06, 6th Report 2006 (S2)

## 7. Staff

### 7.1 MSPs and their staff (as at 31 March 2007)

	Total	Gender (M-F)
<b>Members of the Scottish Parliament (MSPs)</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>79-50</b>
MSP staff - on payroll	373	146-227
MSP staff - fee based	0	0
<b>Total MSP staff</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>146-227</b>

### 7.2 Parliamentary staff in post by Directorate (as at 31 March 2007)

Directorate/Office	Total Staff	Gender (M-F)
<b>Clerk/Chief Executive</b>		
- Office of the Clerk/Chief Executive	8	3-5
- Office of the Presiding Officer	5	2-3
- External Liaison Unit	5	4-1
- Special Events Team	1	1-0
- Corporate Programme Management	2	2-0
<b>Directorate of Resources &amp; Governance</b>		
- Director	2	1-1
- Audit Office	1	1-0
- Corporate Policy Unit	5	2-3
- Finance	10	6-4
- Procurement	14	2-12
- Allowances	11	2-9
<b>Legal Services Directorate</b>	3	0-3
<b>Clerking and Reporting Directorate</b>		
- Director	2	1-1
- Chamber Office (Includes Legislation, Standards, Europe and Subordinate Legislation Committees and the Non-Executive Bills Unit)	47	24-23
- Committee Office	44	21-23
- Official Report	35	20-15
<b>Technology and Facilities Management Directorate</b>		
- Director	3	2-1
- Facilities Management Office	31	22-9
- Business Information Technology (BIT)	40	27-13
- Holyrood Project Team	3	3-0
<b>Access and Information Directorate</b>		
- Director	4	1-3
- Public Affairs	1	0-1
- Broadcasting	5	2-3
- Media Office	6	3-3
- Public Information	7	2-5
- Corporate Publications	2	1-1
- Visitor and Outreach Services	24	8-16
- Events and Exhibitions	2	1-1
- SPICe	46	22-24
- Security Office	109	80-29
<b>Total Parliament Staff in post (permanent posts)</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>266-212</b>

## 8. Access

### 8.1 Public visitors and contacts

	Visitor numbers	Public enquiries	Switchboard calls	Booked tour numbers	Shop numbers	Average spend per visitor
May 2006	31119	1339	7087	3237	8268	2.19
June 2006	28387	981	5992	4161	10319	2.15
July 2006	28178	696	3029	5386	12457	1.58
August 2006	36263	942	5412	5513	16778	1.74
September 2006	28606	1029	5802	4108	10635	2.14
October 2006	35107	1333	6920	4653	11338	1.82
November 2006	23169	1055	5698	2216	9079	2.37
December 2006	14902	705	4090	1691	6452	3.85
January 2007	20501	1224	6132	1331	5602	1.87
February 2007	24143	1062	5788	2251	4426	2.21
March 2007	24944	1024	5851	3005	7910	2.21
To 2 April 2007	23548			3920	322	0.88
<b>Totals</b>	<b>318867</b>	<b>11390</b>	<b>61801</b>	<b>41472</b>	<b>103586</b>	<b>2.08</b>

### 8.2 Education activities, Academic year 2006-2007

#### 8.2.1 Group and visitor numbers to the Parliament

Period	Primary schools	Primary pupils	Secondary schools	Secondary pupils	F/E Institutions	F/E students	Total schools	Total pupils
Sep 06	8	205	18	599	0	0	26	856
Oct 06	3	77	7	289	1	30	11	418
Nov 06	9	304	16	638	1	26	26	1020
Dec 06	6	173	12	369	0	0	18	578
Jan 07	10	341	9	237	0	0	19	616
Feb 07	12	394	8	221	0	0	20	655
Mar 07	8	277	9	312	0	0	17	623
Apr 07	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
May 07	9	265	1	23	0	0	10	308
<b>Totals</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>2036</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>2688</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>5084</b>

### 8.2.2 Visits to the Parliament by region

	Sep 2006	Oct 2006	Nov 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007	Mar 2007	Apr 2007	May 2007	June 2007	Total
Central Scotland	3	2	3	1	0	6	1	1	2	4	23
Glasgow	2	4	3	1	3	0	2	2	0	1	18
Highlands & Islands	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	3	10
Lothians	4	1	8	2	6	2	4	2	2	1	32
Mid Scotland & Fife	9	0	2	2	3	4	4	2	0	2	28
North East Scotland	5	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	13
South Scotland	1	1	3	3	1	2	5	1	1	5	23
West Scotland	0	1	7	1	6	5	1	2	2	5	30
	27	11	28	12	19	20	17	10	10	23	177

### 8.2.3 Teacher seminars

Period	Teacher seminars
September 2006	0
October 2006	0
November 2006	3
December 2006	0
January 2007	0
February 2007	1
March 2007	2
April 2007	0
May 2007	1
June 2007	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>

### 8.3 Outreach Sessions

#### 8.3.1 Education outreach events

Period	Education	MSPs in Schools
August 2006	3	0
September 2006	7	1
October 2006	5	20
November 2006	2	25
December 2006	9	27
January 2006	5	8
February 2007	6	22
March 2007	3	0
April 2007	3	0
May 2007	7	0
June 2007	5	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>103</b>

### 8.3.2 MSPs in School visit numbers by region

	Aug 06	Sep 06	Oct 06	Nov 06	Dec 06	Jan 07	Feb 07	Mar 07	Apr 07	May 07	Total
Central Scotland	0	0	1	3	1	1	6	0	0	0	12
Glasgow	0	0	1	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	5
Highlands & Islands	0	1	8	3	7	1	6	0	0	0	26
Lothians	0	0	2	4	5	2	2	0	0	0	15
Mid Scotland & Fife	0	0	3	4	7	3	2	0	0	0	19
North East Scotland	0	0	4	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	9
South Scotland	0	0	1	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	7
West Scotland	0	0	0	3	3	1	3	0	0	0	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>103</b>

### 8.3.3 Community outreach events

Events	Number of Events	Attendees	MSP Attendance
Community outreach events	16	742	50
Requested talks/presentations	53	2067	0
Local authority staff training sessions	9	301	0
Citizens Advice Bureau staff training sessions	1	22	0
Access panel training sessions	1	17	0
School librarians seminars	1	18	0
Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO) training sessions	14	372	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>3539</b>	<b>50</b>

### 8.4 Partner Libraries

Number of Partner Libraries	May 2007
	80

### 8.5 Scottish Parliament Website Statistics

Time range	Total Hits	Average Hits per Day	Average Hits per Visitor	Total Page Views	Average Page Views per Day	Average Page Views per Visitor	Total Visitors	Average Visitors per Day
01/05/2006 00:00:01 - 31/05/2006 23:59:56	7,654,035	246,904	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
01/06/2006 00:00:01 - 30/06/2006 23:59:59	6,814,086	227,136	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

Time range	Total Hits	Average Hits per Day	Average Hits per Visitor	Total Page Views	Average Page Views per Day	Average Page Views per Visitor	Total Visitors	Average Visitors per Day
<b>01/07/2006</b> 00:00:01 - <b>31/07/2006</b> 23:59:58	5,141,706	165,861	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>01/08/2006</b> 00:00:01 - <b>31/08/2006</b> 23:59:59	5,334,964	172,095	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>01/09/2006</b> 00:00:00 - <b>30/09/2006</b> 23:59:45	7,339,677	244,655	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>01/10/2006</b> 01:00:17 - <b>31/10/2006</b> 23:59:56	7,282,085	234,905	37.51	1,125,876	36,318	5.80	194,116	6,261
<b>01/11/2006</b> 00:00:10 - <b>30/11/2006</b> 23:59:56	10,506,690	350,223	52.20	1,431,217	47,707	7.11	201,283	6,709
<b>01/12/2006</b> 00:00:01 - <b>31/12/2006</b> 23:59:46	7,123,961	229,805	46.75	1,013,959	32,708	6.65	152,390	4,915
<b>01/01/2007</b> 00:00:01 - <b>31/01/2007</b> 23:59:54	9,573,116	308,810	35.24	1,391,838	44,898	5.12	271,617	8,761
<b>01/02/2007</b> 00:00:05 - <b>28/02/2007</b> 23:59:59	10,815,711	386,275	43.00	1,361,287	48,617	5.41	251,538	8,983
<b>01/03/2007</b> 00:00:00 - <b>31/03/2007</b> 23:59:57	11,983,165	386,553	43.64	1,514,321	48,849	5.51	274,607	8,858
<b>01/04/2007</b> 00:00:02 - <b>30/04/2007</b> 23:59:54	6,273,246	209,108	35.50	897,588	29,919	5.08	176,718	5,890

Please note: n/a – figures not available

## 8.6 Freedom of Information statistics

These statistics refer to requests for information made to the Scottish Parliament under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A). Such requests seek non published information held by the Scottish Parliament at the time of the request being made. Under FOI(S)A, any requester can ask the Scottish Parliament to review the way it replied to a request for information and to ask us to review our decision or actions. If the requester is dissatisfied with the outcome of a review, an appeal can be submitted to the Scottish Information Commissioner.

### Request Statistics

These figures are based on the date when the freedom of information request was received.

### Reviews Statistics

These figures are based on the date when the request for a review was received

### Appeals Statistics

These figures are based on the date when the concluding decision for an appeal is confirmed by the Scottish Information Commissioner.

Period	FOI requests	FOI reviews	FOI appeals
From 7 May 2006	24	1	1
June 2006	21	1	0
July 2006	9	0	0
August 2006	19	2	0
September 2006	19	0	0
October 2006	11	0	0
November 2006	29	0	0
December 2006	16	0	0
January 2007	35	0	0
February 2007	86	11	1
March 2007	131	4	0
To 2 April 2007	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>



## 9. Other

### 9.1 Official visits, addresses and delegations

	Official visits to the Parliament	Addresses to a meeting of all MSPs	Delegations* to other assemblies/bodies
From 9 May 2006	10	0	1
June 2006	20	0	0
July 2006	5	0	4
August 2006	3	0	1
September 2006	18	0	4
October 2006	6	0	3
November 2006	10	0	5
December 2006	6	0	0
January 2007	9	0	0
February 2007	10	0	1
March 2007	12	0	2
April 2007	0	0	0
To 8 May 2007	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21</b>

\* includes Parliament officials

### 9.2 Official gifts

Type	
received by the Parliament	11

## 9.3 Memberships of Other Bodies

### 9.3.1 British-Irish Inter-Parliamentary Body

The British-Irish Inter-Parliamentary Body was established in 1990 by Members of Parliament at Westminster and in Dublin. In February 2001 it was enlarged to include representatives of the Scottish Parliament, the National Assembly for Wales, the Northern Ireland Assembly, the High Court of Tynwald and the States of Guernsey and Jersey.

The Body consists of twenty-five Members each from Westminster and Dublin, five each from the Scottish Parliament, National Assembly for Wales, and Northern Ireland Assembly, and one each from the High Court of Tynwald and States of Guernsey and Jersey. There are also with twenty Associate Members from Westminster and Dublin, four each from the Scottish Parliament, National Assembly for Wales and Northern Ireland Assembly, and one each from the Tynwald and each of the Channel Island States. These may replace Full Members either at Plenary Sessions or at Committee meetings.

#### Scottish Parliament Members of the Body

##### Full Members

Bruce Crawford  
Murray Tosh  
David McLetchie  
Alasdair Morrison  
Iain Smith

##### Associate Members

Helen Eadie  
Robin Harper  
Michael McMahon  
Alasdair Morgan

### 9.3.2 Committee of the Regions (CoR)

The CoR is a political assembly and the official voice of sub-national authorities within the European Union (EU) and it provides a forum for the consultation of local and regional authorities on issues affecting them, giving formal recognition to the role of sub-national government in the EU decision making process.

CoR is made up of 344 members and 344 alternate members of local and regional authorities from the 27 Member States. Members are proposed by Member States for a four year mandate. The UK has 24 members and, within this, Scotland has four full and four alternate members: two full and two alternate members are nominated by local authorities through Cosla and two full and two alternates are nominated by the Scottish Executive and Scottish Parliament and are ratified by a motion of the Scottish Parliament.

## Scottish Members of the UK delegation to the Committee of the Regions

### Full Members

Jack McConnell MSP  
Nicol Stephen MSP  
Councillor Corrie McChord  
Councillor Keith Brown

### Alternate Members

Irene Oldfather MSP  
Nicola Sturgeon MSP  
Councillor Jim McCabe  
Councillor Andrew Campbell

### 9.3.3 Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA)

On Thursday 4 May 2000 the Scottish Parliament approved motion S1M-789 which established a Scottish Parliament Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

The Executive Committee consists of a President (usually the Presiding Officer), two ex-officio Vice-Presidents (usually the leaders of the Scottish Executive and opposition parties), and 4 Members elected annually by the Members of the Branch. All Members of the Scottish Parliament are automatically Members of the Branch

#### Executive Committee

##### President

George Reid

##### Vice Presidents

Jack McConnell  
Nicola Sturgeon

##### Elected Members

Roseanna Cunningham  
Lord James Douglas-Hamilton  
Sylvia Jackson  
Jamie Stone

### 9.3.4 Conference of Regional Legislative Assemblies (CALRE)

Founded in October 1997, the aim of this organisation is to increase the influence of regional parliaments within the EU and to allow networking between them.

Membership is limited to Presiding Officers/Speakers and there are 74 member regions from 8 EU Member States. The Scottish Parliament has observer status within CALRE and the Presiding Officer attends the plenary meeting. The Scottish Parliament has observer status as membership could require the Presiding Officer to make commitments on behalf of the Scottish Parliament and, under the Scotland Act 1998, the Presiding Officer does not have the powers necessary to make such commitments on behalf of the Parliament.

### 9.3.5 Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of Europe (CLRAE)

CLRAE is a consultative body of the Council of Europe, advising the Committee of Ministers and the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council on all aspects of local and regional policy. The Congress provides a forum where issues, experiences and

views can be expressed and discussed on a pan-European basis. It is divided into a Local Chamber and a Regional Chamber.

The UK has 18 full and 18 substitute places on CLRAE divided equally between the two chambers. Representatives qualifying for membership are those who are “directly responsible to an elected regional body”. Members have a two-year mandate. Members attend in a personal capacity and do not represent the institution from which they are drawn but the regional or local level of governance within their Member State.

As part of the UK delegation, Scotland is allocated one full and one substitute member in the Local Chamber (a Scottish local authority representative, nominated through COSLA) and in the Regional Chamber (Members of the Scottish Parliament). In the Regional Chamber the full member is a member of the Scottish Executive and the substitute member is a backbench MSP.

### **Scottish Members of the Regional Chamber**

#### **Full Member**

Tavish Scott

#### **Substitute Member**

Phil Gallie

### **9.3.6 Network of Regional Parliamentary European Committees (NORPEC)**

NORPEC is the Network of Regional Parliamentary European Committees. It was established following agreement between the Scottish Parliament, and the Parliaments of Catalonia and Flanders in November 2002. The first meeting was held in March 2004.

The purpose of NORPEC is to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and experience between members of relevant committees of the participating regional/sub national states of the EU.

#### **Member**

Linda Fabiani

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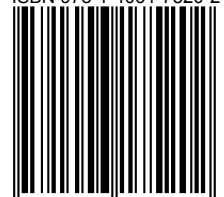
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