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# ANAS SARWAR MSP

## Leader of the Scottish Labour Party

Hello and welcome to Scottish Labour conference 2024, here in my home and one the greatest cities in the world – Glasgow.

As we come together this weekend, we should reflect on the year that has passed and the year that is now ahead of us.

In the space of such a short period of time, the tectonic plates of politics have shifted.

It is clear that the age of the politics of division – of pitting Scot against Scot – is coming to a close.

It falls to us – Scottish Labour – to show that we can deliver the hope and the change that Scotland so desperately needs.

Over this weekend, you will hear new ideas about how we can transform our country.

Our plan to cut bills for working people.

Our plan to make work pay.

Our plan to get Scotland punching above its weight once again.

2024 is going to be a momentous year in the history of British and Scottish politics.

It can be and in my view will be the year of change.

It is our chance to write the next volume of Scotland's story.

It is our opportunity for change after 13 years of failure under the Tories.

And after 16 years of decline and incompetence – it is a chance to turn the page on the SNP too.

At some point this year, we will have a general election.

But we in Scotland will not be spectators in that general election.

Instead, we can lead the way in booting out these Tories, and electing a UK Labour government.

But let me be clear, electing Scottish Labour MPs won't just be about playing our part in getting rid of a Tory government or helping to form a Labour one, which is of course important.

It is also about making sure that Scotland has a voice at the heart of the next UK Labour government so that it delivers for Scotland.

But – this is just the first step.

The first opportunity for change comes with a general election.





**“We can lead the way in booting out these Tories, and electing a UK Labour government.”**

But we also have a chance for change in 2026 with a Scottish Parliament election.

The chance to get a competent government in Holyrood as well.

There is an overwhelming majority in Scotland and across the UK for change.

That change starts by electing Scottish Labour MPs and a UK Labour government.

Now it is a positive and future looking Scottish Labour that is the party of aspiration, the party of change and the party that believes Scotland's best days lie ahead of us.

Our message couldn't be clearer.

We are determined that 2024 will be the year of change.

The year we put Scotland at the heart of a fairer, better, more prosperous UK.

The year we deliver for working people and make work pay.

And the year we make Labour the party of government again.

Together we can make that happen.

Enjoy conference.



# IAN MURRAY

Shadow Secretary of State for Scotland



Welcome to Glasgow for Scottish Labour Party conference 2024.

This is going to be an enormous year for our party, and for Scotland.

We know that it is now only a matter of months before the people of Scotland will have the opportunity to rid the Tories from government.

It can't come soon enough. After almost 14 years of Tory government, and 17 years of the SNP, our economy and public services are at breaking point.

But it doesn't have to be that way.

As you will hear over the course of this weekend, from Scottish and UK

Labour voices, we have a plan to give Scotland it's future back.

We will hear from Keir Starmer, the man who we hope to help make Britain's next Prime Minister.

From the moment he took on the leadership of the party he has always been clear that the route to Downing Street runs through Scotland.

Many doubted him then, nobody doubts him now.

Scottish Labour has now selected more than 35 candidates for the General Election, many of whom will be here over the weekend.

If you see one of our candidates, do go and offer them your support. It's going to be a demanding year for them, but the responsibility of winning rests on all of us.

Late last year, I was of course privileged to see the Scottish Parliamentary Labour Party double in size, with the election of Michael Shanks, MP for Rutherglen and Hamilton West.

Michael was an outstanding by election candidate, and has proved to be an even better colleague and now Shadow Scotland minister.

And of course, this weekend we'll hear from Scottish Labour leader Anas Sarwar.

As we look at the continued growth in our fortunes, it can be easy to forget where we were just a short while ago.

No one deserves more praise for the journey we have been on than Anas Sarwar.

He has led our party with diligence, creativity and relentless enthusiasm.

Change is coming and it is the responsibility of all of us, as part of this wonderful Labour movement, to do our bit to deliver that change through having the privilege to serve.

Let's make 2024 the year we win again by taking the fight to every doorstep, every voter, in every part of Scotland and take a giant leap towards winning in 2026.

Thank you.





# JOHN PAUL McHUGH

## Scottish General Secretary



It's a pleasure to welcome delegates and visitors to Scottish Labour's 2024 Conference.

This conference takes place at the start of a hugely important year for our party and for our country.

At some point this year – whenever this failing Tory government works up the nerve to call one – we will be fighting a General Election.

This is our chance to change our country for the better and send a message to our two out-of-touch governments. We can finally kick the Tories out of Downing Street and put the SNP on notice while we're at it.

The extraordinary result in Rutherglen and Hamilton West showed that voters in Scotland are ready for change and that Labour can deliver it.

This seismic win was the result of the countless hours of hard work by both staff and volunteers.

Every leaflet delivered, every door knocked and voter spoken to helped us give Rutherglen and Hamilton West a fresh start – and now we are ready to do the same again in seats across Scotland.

We have a huge opportunity, but we are taking nothing for granted.

It is the hard work of people here this weekend that will elect Scottish Labour MPs and deliver the Labour government our country so desperately needs.

No Tory or SNP seat is safe – we will be fighting for every vote, right across the country.

This weekend we will hear more about the change Labour will deliver in Scotland – how we will tackle the cost of living crisis, make work pay, and strengthen our economy and our public services.

We will get a chance to debate key policy issues and hear keynote speeches from Anas Sarwar, Keir Starmer, Jackie Baillie, and Ian Murray setting out Labour's bold vision for Scotland's future.

And of course, this is a chance to get together, make new friends and catch up with old ones.

I am looking forward to an enjoyable weekend focused on our positive vision for Scotland's future.

# SCOTT ARTHUR

Chair, Scottish Executive Committee



It has been an incredibly significant year in Scottish and UK politics.

Since we last met in 2023, the tectonic plates of Scottish politics have shifted.

As we look ahead to the coming general election, the Scottish Executive Committee of the Scottish Labour Party is working hard to prepare our party to deliver the change Scotland needs.

From overseeing the selection of fantastic candidates to planning the approach to the campaign, the SEC has worked tirelessly to prepare our party for the coming campaign.

It has been a privilege and an honour to work with the amazing team on the SEC, our Leader Anas, Deputy Leader Jackie, and General Secretary John Paul McHugh.

We now have a team ready and able to deliver a Scottish Labour victory across our country.

Rutherglen and Hamilton West shows that people are looking to us to deliver change, and that we can win if we work hard.

Make no mistake, the coming months will be some of the most important that we have faced in years. All of use must now work to make our

shared ambition a reality.

Over the coming days, you will help shape the ideas and the vision that Scottish Labour will take to our country.

Change is coming to the UK, and Scottish Labour will lead the way in delivering it.

Join us on that journey.



# REPORTS

# SCOTTISH LABOUR UNIONS REPORT

Simon Macfarlane, Secretary of Scottish Labour Unions  
(UNISON Labour Link)

Scottish Labour Unions has continued to be active and meet throughout the year since our last conference in February 2023. The last year has continued to see high levels of campaigning, activity and industrial action by affiliated unions as we seek to support and defend our members through the cost-of-living crisis.

SLU hold regular meetings with the party which Anas Sarwar and Jackie Baillie regularly attend. We receive a Westminster Report from Ian Murray and Councillor David Ross attends to engage around Labour's approach at the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities. These meetings are invaluable in keeping the link between affiliated unions and the party vibrant, relevant and productive.

At these meetings SLU updates the party on disputes and issues of concern and in return is able to source the solidarity and support of the party. This support, led by Anas, throughout the last year has seen many MSPs and councillors attending picket lines and MSPs raising issues of importance to unions in the Scottish Parliament.

As we head in to 2024 the landscape remains dominated by the cost-of-living crisis. The Tories are intent on culture wars whilst the SNP pass

on cuts to public services and fail to stand up for Scotland. SLU will work tirelessly to secure a Labour Government in 2024. A government that will invest in public services and our economy. The major prize for unions will be the progress to the delivery of a New Deal for Working People in the first 100 days of a Labour Government. The New Deal will transform employment rights for workers from day one. Once delivered SLU will work with the Scottish party to look at how those rights can be strengthened by devolution.

Jackson Cullinane of Unite is our Chair, Karen Whitefield of Usdaw is our Vice Chair, Liz Warren-Corney of the Transport Salaried Staff Association is Treasurer, and I am secretary.

Our affiliates are: ASLEF; TSSA; NUM; Usdaw; Community; Unite; UNISON Labour Link; GMB; The Musicians Union; CWU.

Scottish Labour Unions hopes all delegates have a successful and productive conference and we look forward to working with you to secure a Labour government in 2024. Lastly, if you are not already, I would urge you all to get active in your union once you leave conference.

Yours in solidarity



# SCOTTISH LABOUR WOMEN'S COMMITTEE REPORT

Cathy Peattie, Chair



Scottish Labour Women's Committee have had another busy and productive year.

In November we held our annual conference in Glasgow again. This was another well-attended and constructive day, which brought together female members from all over Scotland.

We covered a range of crucially important topics over the course of the day, discussing in particular how the crisis in health and social care affects women and how to combat violence against women and girls.

As well as holding a number of informative policy debates, we heard from Scottish Labour leader Anas Sarwar and Deputy Leader Jackie Baillie. Scottish Labour's Justice team Katy Clark and Pauline McNeill also held a panel discussing the findings of their recent consultation on tackling violence against women and girls.

We elected a new Women's Committee, as well as our representatives on the SEC and SPF.

This conference formed the basis of our motions to this conference, and will steer the work of the Women's Committee over the coming months and years.

The year ahead is going to be a monumental one. With a General Election approaching, we have the opportunity to transform both our party and our country.

The Scottish Labour Women's Committee will work to make this elect female Scottish Labour MPs and elect a Labour government that can deliver change for women across the UK.

I'm looking forward to spending this weekend speaking to members, raising the Women's Committee's priorities, and discussing how we can put women's voices at the heart of the General Election campaign.

On behalf of the entire Committee, I hope everyone has an interesting and enjoyable conference.

# SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION OF LABOUR COUNCILLORS (SALC) REPORT

## Councillor Maureen Devlin, Chair

It is fantastic to represent the Scottish Association of Labour Councillors as their chair.

Councillors see first-hand just how important it is for Labour to win elections.

In Scottish Labour Councils we can see the difference Labour in power makes. Our Councillors are putting Labour values into action – working tirelessly to protect frontline services, helping people through the cost of living crisis and mitigating the damage done by the SNP-Green government's budget cuts.

However, we also see first-hand the harm being done by SNP and Tory governments.

It is becoming more and more difficult to protect communities from the mistakes of these two failing governments.

While the Tories have caused economic misery, the SNP has made a bad picture worse with yet more brutal cuts to local government funding.

We can see the consequences of these SNP cuts to Councils in communities all over Scotland – libraries reducing their hours, roads in dire need of repair, and litter on the streets.

We have two governments more interested in stoking division than

delivering for Scotland, but change is possible.

Scottish Labour's extraordinary win in Rutherglen and Hamilton West shows that Scots are crying out for a fresh start, as did our Council by-election wins in East Kilbride West, Bellshill, Motherwell South East and Ravenscraig, and Dyce, Bucksburn and Danestone. All over Scotland, voters are ready for change and are turning to Scottish Labour to deliver it.

At the next General Election, Scotland will have a chance to demand an end to the managed decline of the SNP and the Tories.

A UK Labour government will deliver for local communities right across Scotland – tackling the cost of living crisis, making work pay, strengthening our economy and renewing public services.

Labour will push power out into communities across the country and strengthen local democracy.

At every level of government, Labour will always use whatever powers it has to build a better future for Scotland.

I'm looking forward to spending the weekend discussing Labour's bold plans to change our country and empower local communities.

# SCOTTISH YOUNG LABOUR

Graeme McKenzie, Vice Chair

Scottish Young Labour have been busy since conference last year.

We proudly supported our newest MP Michael Shanks during the Rutherglen and Hamilton West by-election and I am sure that every member was pleased to see the number of young activists, many of whom were first time activists, show out on doors and on the phones for him.

The SYL committee has also been busy planning for the General Election, where we plan to have as many young members out as we can. We will have campaign days across the country, ensuring that we do our part to deliver the next Labour Government and as many Scottish Labour MP's as we can.

As young members many of us can't remember the last time Labour were in government and this year is vital for us. We have all heard about the difference Labour made in government and we can't wait to hit the ground running and see it for ourselves.

I find it very encouraging the work that has already been done in helping our PPC's deliver the message of change from Dunfermline to Glasgow. Our young members are out week after week doing this.

Change is coming, and SYL is ready to deliver that change.



# **Let's tackle unacceptably long delays for cancer tests and treatment**



# AGENDA AND ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

# CONFERENCE AGENDA

## Friday 16 February 2024 First Session

- 10.00am Welcome to Glasgow  
**Councillor George Redmond**, Leader of the Glasgow Labour Group
- 10.05am Conference Arrangements Committee Report
- 10.10am Address to Conference  
**Scott Arthur**, Chair of the Scottish Labour Party
- 10.20am Address to Conference  
**John Paul McHugh**, Scottish General Secretary
- 10.25am **Debate:** The change we need for a fairer, greener Scotland
- 12.30pm Conference adjourns

## Friday 16 February 2024 Second Session

- 2.00pm Address to Conference  
**Anas Sarwar MSP**, Leader of the Scottish Labour Party
- 3.00pm **Debate:** The change we need to deliver for working people
- 4.15pm Address to Conference  
**Roz Foyer**, STUC General Secretary
- 4.30pm Keir Hardie Awards
- 5.00pm Conference adjourns

## Saturday 17 February 2024 Third Session

- 10.00am Conference Arrangements Committee Report
- 10.05am Address to Conference  
**Ben Procter**, Chair of the Scottish Co-operative Party
- 10.10am **Debate:** The change we need to strengthen Scotland in the UK and across the world.
- 11.15pm **Debate:** The change we need to grow our economy
- 12.30pm Conference adjourns

## Saturday 17 February 2024 Fourth Session

- 2.00pm Address to Conference  
**Ian Murray MP**, Shadow Secretary of State for Scotland
- 2.20pm **Debate:** The change we need to rebuild our NHS
- 3.30pm **Debate:** The change we need for stronger, safer communities
- 5.00pm Conference adjourns

## Sunday 18 February 2023 Fifth Session

- 10.00am Conference Arrangements Committee Report
- 10.05am **Debate:** The change our young people need
- 11.00am Musical Performance by Big Noise & Sistema Scotland
- 11.10am Winning 2024 - Delivering Change at the General Election  
Panel: **Anas Sarwar MSP, Pat McFadden MP, Jackie Baillie MSP, Ian Murray MP**
- 12.50pm Vote of Thanks  
**Simon MacFarlane**, Vice Chair of the Scottish Labour Party
- 1.00pm Conference adjourns

# ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

**A warm welcome to all delegates and visitors to the 2024 Scottish Labour Conference. It is great to be in Glasgow for three days of debate, fringe meetings and social events.**

## Venue

The Scottish Event Campus is a multi-purpose, unique event venue capable of hosting a range of events from music concerts and festivals to business conferences and exhibitions.

## Times

### Friday

Conference	10.00am – 5.00pm
Exhibition	9.00am – 5.30pm

### Saturday

Conference	10.00am – 5.00pm
Exhibition	9.00am – 5.30pm

### Sunday

Conference	10.00am – 12.30pm
Exhibition	9.00am – 12.30pm

## Late Accreditation

If you have still to collect your pass, you can do so at Late Accreditation, which will be based at the SEC.

Thursday:	4.00pm – 7.30pm
Friday & Saturday:	8.30am – 5.00pm
Sunday:	9.00am – 11.00am

## Stewards

Scottish Labour Stewards will be assisting through conference. Stewards will be checking credentials on arrival and throughout the venue so please wear your pass at all times. Please speak to a member of the Steward Team if you need any assistance or have any questions. We also ask that you follow the following security guidance – take all belongings with you and do not leave bags unattended at any time. Please also report anything suspicious to the nearest Steward or member of staff.

# HOLYROOD

## FRINGE EVENTS AT SCOTTISH LABOUR CONFERENCE 2024

### Finding a UK-wide solution to the DRS roll-out

Friday 16 Feb  
08.30-09.30  
Room: Alsh 1



#### FOOD & REFRESHMENTS

with **SARAH BOYACK MSP**,  
Shadow Cabinet Secretary  
for Net Zero, Energy, and Just  
Transition

**DANIEL JOHNSON MSP**,  
Shadow Cabinet Secretary  
for Economy, Business and  
Fair Work

### Unleash our potential. Power our future.

### Choose a homegrown energy transition

Friday 16 Feb,  
17.30-18.30  
Room: Alsh 1



#### FOOD & REFRESHMENTS

with **SARAH BOYACK MSP**,  
Shadow Cabinet Secretary  
for Net Zero, Energy, and Just  
Transition, Scottish Labour

**MICHAEL MARRA MSP**,  
Shadow Cabinet Secretary for  
Finance, Scottish Labour

### The Editor's Club: In conversation with Anas Sarwar MSP

Saturday 17 Feb  
17.30-18.30  
Room: Alsh 1



with **MANDY RHODES**,  
Managing Director, Holyrood  
Communications and Editor,  
Holyrood Magazine

**ANAS SARWAR MSP**,  
Leader, Scottish Labour Party

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# AMBITION FOR CHANGE: GROWING THE CO-OPERATIVE ECONOMY IN SCOTLAND



### Kirsty McNeill

Scottish Labour & Co-operative PPC  
for Midlothian



### Chair: Kirsteen Sullivan

Scottish Labour & Co-operative PPC  
for Bathgate and Linlithgow



### Daniel Johnson MSP

Scottish Labour & Co-operative MSP  
for Edinburgh Southern and Shadow Cabinet  
Secretary for Economy, Business and Fair Work.

📍 Alsh 2, SEC  
📅 Saturday 17 Feb  
🕒 12.30pm  
🍴 Lunch provided



# QUICK GUIDE FOR DELEGATES

The main function of annual Scottish Conference is to provide a platform for members and affiliates to initiate debate and decide upon policy matters. This is done through policy motions submitted to the Conference Arrangements Committee (CAC) in advance of Conference.

## Motions can be split into three categories

- **Motions** – proposed policy by affiliates or party units which if passed become Scottish Labour Party policy.
- **Emergency Motions** – issues which have arisen after the deadline for submitting contemporary motions to Scottish Conference.
- **Constitutional Amendments** – motions dealing with the procedures by which the Scottish Labour Party is organised and refer to internal matters relating to our constitution, rules or standing orders.

All votes are normally carried out by a show of hands by delegates only, however some votes, such as Constitutional Amendments and Rule Changes will require a card vote. The Chair of Conference will explain this process, where required.

## Speaking in Debates

All delegates and ex-officio delegates

(Councillors, Parliamentarians and members of elected party bodies) are entitled to speak in debates. The Chair of Conference will decide which delegates can speak, usually taking into account time considerations.

Additional information and the text of motions will be contained within the Conference Arrangement Committee Reports, available from the Scottish Labour information stand each morning of Conference.

## Scottish Labour Party Information Stand

The Scottish Labour Party Information Stand should be your first port of call if you have any questions about conference, require a replacement agenda, or want to find out more about the party training and social events on offer over the weekend.

Should you be in the market for a souvenir or gift, the stand also has a wide range of official Scottish Labour merchandise for sale.

The stand will be situated near the entrance of the Exhibition Hall and will be staffed from 09.00 until 17:30 on Friday & Saturday and from 09.00 until 12:30 on Sunday, so pop along and say hello!

# OBITUARIES

Rt Hon Lord Alistair Darling.....	Edinburgh Southern CLP
Veronica McTernan.....	Edinburgh Southern CLP
Brenda Burns.....	Glasgow Maryhill and Springburn CLP
Lord Murray Elder.....	Glasgow Kelvin CLP
Margaret O'Rourke.....	Rutherglen CLP
Hugh Geddes.....	Dumfries and Galloway CLP
John Hugo.....	Dumfries and Galloway CLP
Stuart Boyd.....	Dumfries and Galloway CLP
John Martin.....	Clackmanshire CLP
Allister Mackie.....	Linlithgow CLP
Dallas McCormack.....	Falkirk East CLP
Una Walker.....	Strathkelvin and Bearsden CLP
Philip Paine.....	Strathkelvin and Bearsden CLP
Irene Brown.....	Edinburgh Eastern CLP
Paul Nolan.....	Edinburgh Eastern CLP
Bob Allan.....	Edinburgh Eastern CLP
Mike Robb.....	Edinburgh Eastern CLP
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Colin Carr.....	Inverness and Nairn CLP
Alison Fielding.....	Inverness and Nairn CLP
Bill McAllister.....	Inverness and Nairn CLP
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# FRINGE LISTINGS

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**FRI, 16 FEBRUARY MORNING**

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**Organisation: Coca Cola Europacific Partners and Holyrood Communications**

**Subject: Finding a UK-wide solution to the DRS roll-out**

**Summary:** In June 2023, the Scottish Government confirmed that its deposit return scheme (DRS) – originally due to be launched in the August – would be delayed until at least October 2025. This decision followed apprehension from the UK Government about the impact of the scheme on the UK internal market, alongside practical concerns from industry about both the scheme's rollout and its potential to increase costs.

It is, however, widely acknowledged that the deposit return scheme will come with many environmental benefits for Scotland, including increased recycling and a reduction in littering and carbon emissions.

Join our panel session as we consider how Scotland can deliver a successful DRS scheme as soon as possible, which addresses environmental and business concerns, and works productively alongside equivalent UK schemes.

**Speakers:** Mandy Rhodes, Managing Director, Holyrood Communications and Editor, Holyrood Magazine (Chair); Sarah Boyack MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero, Energy, and Just Transition, Scottish Labour; Daniel Johnson MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Business and Fair Work, Scottish Labour; Jim Fox, Head of Public Affairs GB, Coca Cola Europacific Partners

**Venue:** Alsh 1

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Tea, coffee, snacks*

**RSE**

*The Royal Society  
of Edinburgh*  
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**Organisation: The Royal Society of Edinburgh**

**Subject: Unlocking Fiscal Autonomy in Scotland**

**Summary:** Scotland needs a serious and informed debate about how to use and reform the taxes which the Scottish Parliament controls. Without a tax strategy, it is easy to focus on successive short-term fixes which are neither fair nor efficient and lead to unintended consequences. At the same time, we face the reality that public services are not sustainable at current levels of taxation. This panel discussion will explore Scotland's available tax options, including new taxes, such as land and property taxes, which could provide long-term solutions for efficiency and equity, and unlock Scotland's fiscal autonomy.

**Speakers:** Professor Michael Keating FRSE, Caroline Gardner FRSE, Michael Marra MSP, Professor David Heald FRSE, RSE Fellow TBC

**Venue:** Alsh 2

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Teas, coffees, juices, pastries and breakfast rolls will be provided*

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**Scottish Health Action on Alcohol Problems (SHAAP)** is a partnership of the Medical Royal Colleges in Scotland and the Faculty of Public Health and is based at the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh (RCPE).

SHAAP provides the authoritative medical and clinical voice on the need to reduce the impact of alcohol-related harm on the health and wellbeing of people in Scotland and the evidence-based approaches to achieve this.

## SHAAP

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## Organisation: The Poverty Alliance and the Living Wage Foundation

**Subject:** *Fair work, fairer Scotland: Using the labour market to lift people out of poverty*

**Summary:** In our wealthy nation, it's wrong that people are struggling to find work that gives them the income and stability they need to be free from poverty. Over two-thirds of children experiencing poverty live in a household where someone is in paid work. Decent, secure work with a fair wage can help us tackle poverty. But what are the steps that are necessary at the Scottish and UK level to make that a reality?

Join us to discuss the role of the labour market in anti-poverty strategies, and the actions that businesses and government can take to deliver fair work that delivers a Scotland free from poverty.

**Speakers:** Paul O'Kane MSP; Peter Kelly, Director, The Poverty Alliance; Gail Irvine, Head of Business Development and Policy, Living Wage Foundation; Catherine McWilliam, Nations Director – Scotland, Institute of Directors

**Venue:** Boisdale 1

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Yes (teas/coffees; pastries; and breakfast rolls)*



## Organisation: Scottish Environment LINK and the Environmental Rights Centre for Scotland

**Subject:** *Securing access to environmental justice*

**Summary:** How can we access environmental justice? Too often, citizens and communities exposed to the impacts of pollution and environmental problems struggle to uphold their rights – and the burden of environmental problems often falls on the most marginalised people and places. This session will explore what needs to change to bring environmental justice to the people.

**Speakers:** Dr Shivali Fified, ERCS Chief Officer; Clare Symonds, Chair of Planning Democracy; TBC

**Venue:** Boisdale 2

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Breakfast will be provided.*



## Organisation: Scottish Election Study

**Subject:** *Understanding the Scottish Labour Voter: Evidence from the Scottish Election Study*

**Summary:** The 2021 Holyrood election saw the relationship between constitutional preferences and vote choice reach its highest peak yet. The landscape has since shifted, with Labour increasing in the polls north and south of the border ahead of an expected 2024 general election. Join members of the Scottish Election Study team for a presentation and Q&A as they discuss the evolution of public priorities, constitutional attitudes and views on the party using the latest SES polling data. The team will be joined by Paul Sweeney MSP and DC Thomson Data Journalist Ema Sabljak. The event will be chaired by The Scottish Sun's Political Editor, Conor Matchett.

**Speakers:** Prof. Christopher Carman, Prof. Ailsa Henderson, Dr. Fraser McMillan, Paul Sweeney MSP, Ema Sabljak, Conor Matchett

**Venue:** Carron 1

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Tea and coffee plus sweet treats*



## Organisation: EnBW UK

**Subject:** *How can Great British Energy deliver clean energy for public benefit? Lessons from A German state-owned utility*

**Summary:** In June 2025, Keir Starmer visited Leith and launched Labour's Mission to Make Britain a Clean Energy Superpower, including an announcement that Great British Energy (GBE), 'a new, publicly-owned clean energy company' will be based in Scotland.

Join us to hear from our panel of experts including an industry representative from EnBW, a publicly-owned German energy company.

The panel will consider how GBE could deliver benefits to Scotland and the UK through reduced consumer bills; increased

energy security; job creation; and accelerated Net-Zero.

**Speakers:** Martin Whitfield MSP, Damien Zachlod / Markus Wild from EnBW UK, Sam Alvis from Public First, Scottish Renewables – invite sent

**Venue:** Carron 2

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Buffet breakfast, Tea and Coffee*

## FRI, 16 FEBRUARY LUNCH



**Organisation:** techUK in partnership with CGI

**Subject:** *Scotland, AI and the world. How global partners and Scottish government can drive AI adoption and improve public services*

**Summary:** Join MSPs, CGI and think tanks for this panel discussion examining how partnerships between Government and global companies can use technology, including AI, to support and improve Scotland's public services.

**Speakers:** TBC

**Venue:** Alsh 1

**Time:** 12:30pm – 1:30pm

*Refreshments: TBC*



**Organisation:** Chivas Brothers

**Subject:** *Sustainable Scotch: How can the whisky industry help Scotland to decarbonise?*

**Summary:** As the UK's leading food and drink export, the whisky industry can lead the way in protecting our rural environment, preserving resources, and tackling climate change. Scotch distilled today may not be sold for another 25 years or more, so long-term sustainability matters today. Chivas Brothers, rooted in Scotland's varied and vibrant communities, aims to reach carbon neutral distillation by 2026 and be carbon neutral in all operations by 2030 at the latest. Join us to find out how we are sharing our knowledge to support Scotland's decarbonisation journey.

**Speakers:** Shadow Scottish Secretary Ian Murray, Highlands and Islands MSP Rhoda Grant, Ronald Daalman, Environmental

Sustainability Manager at Chivas Brothers, and Austen Toone, SSE

**Venue:** Alsh 2

**Time:** 12:30pm – 1:30pm

*Refreshments: Lunch and refreshments provided*



**Organisation:** Scottish Fabians

**Subject:** *The Path to Power*

**Summary:** Join the Scottish Fabians as we plan for power and look ahead to the 2026 Holyrood Election

**Speakers:** Jackie Baillie MSP, Scottish Labour Deputy Leader (invited), Paul O'Kane MSP – Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Social Security and Equalities, Cllr Martin McCluskey (PPC for Inverclyde and Renfrewshire West), Katherine Sangster (Chair)

**Venue:** Boisdale 1

**Time:** 12:30pm – 1:30pm

*Refreshments: Refreshments provided*



**Organisation:** Scottish Police Federation

**Subject:** The future of Scotland's police service and justice system

**Summary:** More than a decade on from the creation of Police Scotland, what does the future hold for the national force? What impact will major legislation reforms have for Scotland's justice system and for victims? Police officers provide a vital frontline service every day, but they are under intense pressure. Come and hear first-hand from our speakers about the challenges and opportunities ahead.

**Speakers:** Pauline McNeill MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Katy Clark MSP, Scottish Labour Spokesperson for Community Safety, David Kennedy, General Secretary, Scottish Police Federation

**Venue:** Boisdale 2

**Time:** 12:30pm – 1:30pm

*Refreshments: Lunch and refreshments provided*

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## Organisation: EDF Renewables

**Subject:** *Accelerating a net zero future where clean energy powers our lives*

**Summary:** A net zero future means a better future for Scotland – one where communities, the natural environment and our energy systems thrive, at the lowest cost to consumers. To get there, decision-makers must work closely with the renewables industry to unlock growth in the sector and in the communities and the supply chains that underpin them. Join EDF Renewables UK and Scottish Renewables in conversation about the vast net zero opportunity for the UK's economy and communities, and how Scotland's renewables sector can get us there.

**Speakers:** Sarah Boyack MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero, Energy and Just Transition; Yusuf Patel, Chief Technical Officer, EDF Renewables; Claire Mack, Chief Executive, Scottish Renewables; Lindsey Southworth, Head of External Affairs, EDF Renewables.

**Venue:** Carron 1

**Time:** 12:30pm – 1:30pm

*Refreshments: Lunch will be provided*



## Organisation: Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT)

**Subject:** *Rethinking Public Transport: How do we deliver world-class, sustainable, and affordable public transport?*

**Summary:** Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) – Scotland's largest regional transport partnership authority – leads an expert-informed discussion of how we can rethink public transport to deliver world-class, sustainable and affordable public transport across Scotland.

**Speakers:** Valerie Davidson (Chief Executive, SPT), Councillor Alan Moir (Vice Chair, SPT), Neil Bibby MSP, TBC.

**Venue:** Carron 2

**Time:** 12:30pm – 1:30pm

*Refreshments: A selection of sandwiches, as well as tea and coffee, will be provided.*

**FRI, 16 FEBRUARY EVENING**

**HOLYROOD**

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## Organisation: OEUK and Holyrood Communications

**Subject:** *Unleash our potential. Power our future.*

**Summary:** Choose a homegrown energy transition.

**Speakers:** Mandy Rhodes, Managing Director, Holyrood Communications and Editor, Holyrood Magazine (Chair); Sarah Boyack MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero, Energy, and Just Transition, Scottish Labour; Michael Marra MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Scottish Labour; Jenny Stanning, External Relations Director, OEUK

**Venue:** Alsh 1

**Time:** 5:30pm – 6:30pm

*Refreshments: Drinks reception*



## Organisation: End Child Poverty

**Subject:** *Ending child poverty: what's needed now?*

**Summary:** Labour has played a key role in tackling child poverty. Under the last UK Labour government child poverty fell significantly. Since then the party helped ensure Holyrood unanimously backed the 2017 Child Poverty (Scotland) Act, and that devolved social security powers are used to directly tackle child poverty. Yet one in four of Scotland's children remain locked in poverty and the cost-of-living crisis continues to impact on low-income families the most. All the evidence suggests much more is required to meet Scotland's child poverty targets – including to address barriers to work, such as childcare, and to boost income from employment, particularly for women. This important fringe will discuss what policies are now needed to realise the party's longstanding commitments to end child poverty.

**Speakers:** Scottish Labour Shadow Cabinet Secretary (TBC), Satwat Rehman, Chief Executive, One Parent Families Scotland, John Dickie, Director of Child Poverty Action Group in Scotland, TBC, Close the Gap

**Venue:** Alsh 1

**Time:** 5:30pm – 6:30pm

*Refreshments: Provided*



## Organisation: Railway Industry Association Scotland

**Subject:** *Scotland's Rail Industry – in conversation with Transport spokesperson Alex Rowley MSP*

**Summary:** As we near another UK election, the need for investment in Scotland's railways has never been more relevant or important. Passenger and freight numbers continue to reach record levels. RIA is the influential trade body for UK railways' powerful supply chain sector.

All delegates are invited to join us for a lively hour of chat and discussion about Scotland's railways with Labour's shadow transport spokesperson, Alex Rowley MSP and Campbell Braid, chair of RIA Scotland's leadership group.

**Speakers:** Alex Rowley MSP and Campbell Braid, chair of RIA Scotland's leadership group; event chaired by Devin Scobie, former journalist and consultant to RIA Scotland

**Venue:** Alsh 2

**Time:** 5.30pm – 6.30pm

*Refreshments: A light buffet and soft drinks will be served*



## Organisation: Hallam Land Management

**Subject:** *Better places, better planning. How to deliver the housing that Scotland needs?*

**Summary:** With local authorities such as Argyll and Bute, City of Edinburgh Council, Glasgow City Council and Fife Council all declaring housing emergencies, it's clear that Scotland has a housing crisis that needs to be addressed. Please join us for what will be an interesting discussion about how to address the current housing crisis in Scotland and how a future Scottish Labour Party government will achieve that.

**Speakers:** Mark Griffin MSP (Spokesperson for Housing and Local Government), Cllr Cammy Day, Leader of Edinburgh Council & Nick Duckworth, Managing Director, Hallam Land Management.

**Venue:** Boisdale 1

**Time:** 5.30pm – 6.30pm

*Refreshments: Drinks will be provided*



## Organisation: Quantum Communications

**Subject:** *Meet the Candidates*

**Summary:** Join Shadow Scottish Secretary Ian Murray MP and Quantum Communications in partnership with Community Windpower for an informal fringe event with Scottish Labour's General Election candidates. The event will include a panel discussion with candidates, a Q&A, and networking.

**Speakers:** Kirsty McNeill, Torcuil Crichton, Pamela Nash, Martin McCluskey

**Venue:** Boisdale 2

**Time:** 5.30pm – 6.30pm

*Refreshments: Refreshments provided*



JOSEPH ROWNTREE FOUNDATION

## Organisation: Joseph Rowntree Foundation and The Trussell Trust

**Subject:** *Guaranteeing our Essentials: How can a Labour Government end the need for food banks?*

**Summary:** Food banks in Scotland are the busiest they have ever been as more and more people struggle to afford the essentials. Join us to discuss how a UK Labour Government can end the scandal of millions going without food and other essentials and build a future where no one needs to use a food bank.

**Speakers:** Paul O'Kane MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice; Polly Jones, Head of Scotland, The Trussell Trust; Chris Birt, Associate Director for Scotland, Joseph Rowntree Foundation; Nick Hopkins, Chair, Glasgow South West Foodbank. Further speakers to be confirmed

**Venue:** Carron 1

**Time:** 5.30pm – 6.30pm

*Refreshments: Canapes, tea & coffee provided*



**Organisation: Electoral Reform Society/  
Labour For A New Democracy**

**Subject: Westminster isn't working:  
How can Labour fix our broken politics?**

**Summary:** The UK has gone through a period of turmoil and volatility which has polarised society and degraded institutions. Millions of people feel alienated from official politics, while trust is at an all-time low. There is no single reason for this, nor the shocks of recent years, here or internationally. But at its core is the need for democratic renewal.

This raises some big questions. What does a democracy fit for the challenges of the 21st Century look like? How should nations and regions interact? What role should local communities play? How can we make votes count equally? And what should an incoming Labour government do?

Come to this fringe meeting, co-sponsored by the Electoral Reform Society and Labour For a New Democracy, to discuss these pressing issues as the general election gets closer.

**Speakers:** Caroline Osborne, Labour For A New Democracy; Paul Sweeney MSP; Zubir Ahmed, Prospective Parliamentary Candidate for Glasgow South West; Lynn Henderson, Politics For The Many; Chair: Willie Sullivan, Electoral Reform Society

**Venue:** Carron 2

**Time:** 5.30pm – 6.30pm

*Refreshments: Provided*

**SAT, 17 FEBRUARY MORNING**



**Forensic Analytics**

**Organisation: techUK in partnership with  
Forensic Analytics**

**Subject: Tech for Good – transforming  
policing in Scotland**

**Summary:** Come listen to MSPs, Industry and think tank experts discuss how modern technology can help the police to increase convictions and to help Labour with its ambition to 'take back Britain's streets, hosted by techUK in Partnership with Forensic Analytics.

**Venue:** Alsh 1

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: TBC*



**Organisation: RSPB/WWF**

**Subject: Farming for nature and climate**

**Summary:** Scotland's farmers and crofters have a key role to play in a nature and climate-positive Scotland. Given that 70% of Scotland's land is managed for agriculture, farmers and crofters have a key role to play in restoring nature, tackling climate change, supporting workers in rural communities, and producing food. Join RSPB Scotland and WWF Scotland for a discussion focussed on how nature- and climate-friendly farming can secure a Just Transition for farmers and crofters and support rural communities.

**Speakers:** Colin Smyth MSP, Vicki Swales (RSPB Scotland), Ruth Taylor (WWF), Denise Walton (Nature Friendly Farming Network)

**Venue:** Alsh 2

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Filled rolls and tea/coffee*



**Independent Age**

**Organisation: Independent Age**

**Subject: A fairer later life: How do we address  
pensioner poverty?**

**Summary:** Independent Age is the national charity for older people in financial hardship. We believe no one should experience poverty in later life.

For many, their later years are far from what they imagined. Living on a low, fixed income, having little or no savings and managing rising costs is the reality for 1 in 7 pensioners in poverty here in Scotland. With this number up 25% in the past decade, join us for a discussion on what can be done to halt and reverse this harmful trend.

**Speakers:** Paul O'Kane MSP – Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Social Security and Equalities, Debbie Horne, Scotland Policy and Public Affairs Manager, Independent Age

**Venue:** Boisdale 1

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Tea, coffee and breakfast rolls*





### Organisation: Our Scottish Future

**Subject:** *From Growth to Good: an industrial strategy for Scotland*

**Summary:** As both Anas Sarwar and OSF founder Gordon Brown have noted, we can only build a path out of poverty for Scottish families if we deliver higher economic growth. In recent weeks, Our Scottish Future has published some big ideas on how we can do so – by empowering Scotland's cities and regions, and by agreeing a new industrial strategy for Scotland. As Gordon Brown has said: "Scotland needs a plan". Join us to discuss the steps needed to get the Scottish and UK Governments working together to get Scotland moving.

**Speakers:** TBC

**Venue:** Boisdale 2

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Coffee and pastries*



### Organisation: Engender and Elect Her

**Subject:** *Time for Change – Improving Women's Representation in Local Government*

**Summary:** Women's representation in Scotland's councils remains stubbornly low at around a third of councillors, and securing sustainable progress continues at a glacial pace. While 2027 seems far off, we know that action is needed now to create conditions that will allow women in all their diversity to thrive in local politics, if we are to achieve gender balanced representation at the next local elections. Join Engender and Elect Her for a discussion on what changes are needed, and how political parties can play a leading role in achieving gender balance in our councils.

**Speakers:** Chair – Catherine Murphy (Executive Director, Engender); Panellists – Monica Lennon MSP; Cllr Soryia Siddique; Cllr Kirsteen Sullivan

**Venue:** Carron 1

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Tea & Coffee and a selection of breakfast pastries*



### Organisation: British Heart Foundation Scotland

**Subject:** *Scotland's Hearts Need More*

**Summary:** Heart disease services are under more pressure than ever and waiting lists for cardiology are the longest on record. As a result, people affected by heart disease are waiting longer than ever to be diagnosed and treated. Around 250,000 people in Scotland are estimated to be living with heart disease and deaths from Scotland's single biggest killer are rising. People who need heart care can't wait – severe delays to vital tests, procedures and operations put them in danger of avoidable and permanent disability, and tragically can even cost them their lives. Join us for a discussion about how we can tackle the heart care crisis that is developing in Scotland.

**Speakers:** Jonathan Roden – Policy and Public Affairs Manager, British Heart Foundation Scotland, Labour MSP speakers to be confirmed

**Venue:** Carron 2

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Breakfast rolls, tea and coffee provided*

## SAT, 17 FEBRUARY LUNCH



### Organisation: Labour Friends of Scotland

**Subject:** *Scotland must lead the way in delivering a Labour Government*

**Summary:** Join us for a panel conversation on the role that Scotland will play in both a Labour victory and the success of the Scotland Office in Government. Our Chair, Catherine MacLeod will be speaking to Michael Marra MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Finance, James Murray MP, Shadow Financial Secretary to the Treasury and Mandy Rhodes, Editor of Holyrood Magazine.

**Speakers:** Michael Marra MSP, James Murray MP and Mandy Rhodes.

**Venue:** Alsh 1

**Time:** 12:30pm – 1:30pm

*Refreshments: Provided*

**Organisation: Scottish Co-operative Party**

**Subject:** *Ambition for Change: Growing the Co-operative Economy in Scotland*

**Summary:** A Labour and Co-operative-led Government will seek to double the size of the co-operative economy in the UK. This fringe will hear how we can bring about this change under a UK Labour and Co-operative-led Government and will look at how much more a Scottish Labour and Co-operative-led Scottish Government could do after the next election.

**Speakers:** Daniel Johnson MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Business and Fair Work; Kirsty McNeill, Scottish Labour & Co-operative PPC for Midlothian; Chair Kirsteen Sullivan, Scottish Labour & Co-operative PPC for Bathgate and Linlithgow

**Venue:** Alsh 2

**Time:** 12:30pm – 1:30pm

*Refreshments: Lunch provided*

**Organisation: University of St Andrews**

**Subject:** *Brain health research: How Scotland can lead the world*

**Summary:** Hear from an expert panel on how science, medicine and policy in Scotland is reducing the impact of neurological conditions such as Alzheimer's disease. Through a unique partnership between the Scottish universities, Scottish Brain Sciences and Brain Health-ARC, Scotland now has an unrivalled opportunity to lead the world in this vital health area. Through early detection, lifestyle changes, and with the support of advanced medicine and research, it may be possible to treat and prevent conditions such as dementia – bringing hope for the future for families here in Scotland and across the globe.

**Speakers:** Jackie Baillie MSP, Craig Ritchie, CEO of Scottish Brain Sciences; Prof Frank Gunn-Moore, University of St Andrews; Prof Terry Quinn, University of Glasgow; Dr Alison Green, Scottish Brain Sciences

**Venue:** Boisdale 1

**Time:** 12:30pm – 1:30pm

*Refreshments: Lunch and refreshments provided*

**Organisation: Advice Direct Scotland**

**Subject:** *The cost-of-living crisis and rising bills: supporting the Scots most at risk*

**Summary:** Join Advice Direct Scotland, Scotland's national advice charity, Paul O'Kane MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Social Security & Equalities, and Monica Lennon MSP, for a discussion on the impact of the cost-of-living crisis and unaffordable energy bills for households across the country. The panel will explore the support available for those at risk of falling into debt or fuel poverty because of soaring bills and record high inflation.

**Speakers:** Paul O'Kane MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Social Security and Equalities, Monica Lennon MSP, Conor Forbes, Director of Business Development and Policy, Advice Direct Scotland.

**Venue:** Boisdale 2

**Time:** 12:30pm – 1:30pm

*Refreshments: Lunch and refreshments provided*

**Organisation: University of Dundee**

**Subject:** *'Saving lives and driving economic growth – the transformative potential of innovation'*

**Summary:** Scotland's science and technology excellence has the potential to transform population wealth and health. Join the University of Dundee – the UK's top-ranked university for Biological Sciences and supporting spinout success – to explore how innovation can help the UK achieve sustained growth and make people and communities better off.

**Speakers:** Michael Marra MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Dr David McBeth, Vice-Principal (Enterprise and Economic Transformation) at the University of Dundee, TBC

**Venue:** Carron 1

**Time:** 12:30pm – 1:30pm

*Refreshments: Lunch provided*



### Organisation: NASUWT

**Subject:** *Better Deal for Scotland's Teachers*

**Summary:** With independent research commissioned by the Scottish Government showing a rise in violence and abuse against teachers and NASUWT surveys highlighting continued unsustainable workload pressures on the profession, our members are reporting significant adverse impacts on their health and wellbeing. The NASUWT is demanding more robust intervention from the Government to secure a Better Deal for Teachers as part of a range of measures needed to ensure the profession remains attractive and we can recruit and retain the best people. Join us to learn more.

**Speakers:** Pam Duncan-Glancy, Scottish Labour Education Spokesperson; Mike Corbett, National Official, NASUWT; Chair: Scott McGimpsey, National Executive Member, NASUWT

**Venue:** Carron 2

**Time:** 12:30pm – 1:30pm

## SAT, 17 FEBRUARY EVENING



### Organisation: Scotch Whisky Association and Holyrood Communications

**Subject:** *Editor's Club: In Conversation with Anas Sarwar MSP, Leader, Scottish Labour Party*

**Summary:** Join Holyrood Magazine Editor, Mandy Rhodes, for a glass of wine and a convivial 'In Conversation' with Anas Sarwar MSP, Leader of the Scottish Labour Party.

**Speakers:** Mandy Rhodes, Managing Director, Holyrood Communications and Editor, Holyrood Magazine; Anas Sarwar MSP, Leader, Scottish Labour Party

**Venue:** Alsh 1

**Time:** 5:30pm – 6:30pm



### Organisation: RSPB Scotland

**Subject:** *Investing in nature to unlock Scotland's renewables potential*

**Summary:** Join us for a conversation about how renewable energy can deliver benefits for Scotland's internationally important seabirds and other threatened nature while supporting green jobs and helping us get to Net Zero.

**Speakers:** Sarah Boyack MSP, Anne McCall – Director of RSPB Scotland, others TBC

**Venue:** Alsh 2

**Time:** 5:30pm – 6:30pm

*Refreshments: Wine and canapes*



### Organisation: IPPR Scotland

**Subject:** *Working Wonders – The role of employability in tackling child poverty*

**Summary:** Employability – and helping parents into work – is central to meeting Scotland's statutory child poverty targets. However, there remain significant concerns around the scale of delivery, impact and funding being directed at employability, and in turn the likelihood of meeting those child poverty targets. At this event we will explore the relationship between work and poverty, and the change required across Scotland and the UK to secure positive and lasting change.

**Speakers:** Paul O'Kane MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice (invited), Philip Whyte, IPPR Scotland Director, and invited guests.

**Venue:** Boisdale 1

**Time:** 5:30pm – 6:30pm

*Refreshments: Drinks and canapes*



### Organisation: Marie Curie

#### *Subject: Death is no equaliser*

**Summary:** People living in communities experiencing deprivation are more likely to have a negative and traumatic end of life experience than those in wealthier communities.

This deprivation drives health inequalities which are just as present in death as they are in life. Join Marie Curie and Scottish Labour's Deputy Leader Jackie Baillie MSP to discuss the profound impact this inequity can have on end of life experience.

How can we tackle them to ensure that they do not act as a barrier to the best possible end of life experience for everyone dying in Scotland?

**Speakers:** Jackie Baillie MSP, Scottish Labour Deputy Leader and Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care; Dr Libby Ferguson, Medical Director for Marie Curie Scotland and Consultant in Palliative Medicine for NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde; Ellie Wagstaff, Senior Policy Manager, Marie Curie.

**Venue:** Boisdale 2

**Time:** 5.30pm – 6.30pm

*Refreshments: Refreshments provided*



### Organisation: Robert Gordon University and the University Alliance

#### *Subject: Realising Scotland's Prosperity: The Role of Professional and Technical Universities*

**Summary:** Universities have a critical role to play in supporting the wellbeing and prosperity of Scotland, its people and places through their teaching, research, enterprise, community and industry engagement activities. Panellists from Robert Gordon University and the University Alliance mission group will discuss the contribution of, and what we need from, our professional and technical universities. This will be an opportunity to engage the panellists on key questions, including: what do we need from our universities?; how can we ensure that our universities are delivering the critical

skills that the economy requires?; and do we have the right policies in place to deliver what is expected of universities?

**Speakers:** Professor Steve Olivier, Principal and Vice-Chancellor, Robert Gordon University; Vanessa Wilson, Chief Executive, University Alliance; Michael Marra MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Finance; Panellist Chair – Andrew Liddle, Senior Advisor, True North

**Venue:** Carron 1

**Time:** 5.30pm – 6.30pm

*Refreshments: Refreshments provided*



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### Organisation: Malaria No More UK

#### *Subject: Who can finish the job? Renewing Labour's commitment to end malaria.*

**Summary:** A panel event featuring Scottish Labour candidates, and experts from the advocacy and science sectors working to end malaria by 2030. The discussion will look back at Labour's groundbreaking work in the early 2000s to co-found The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB, and Malaria – and other multilaterals – while looking forward at the opportunity a Labour government has to contribute to ending the malaria epidemic by 2030.

**Speakers:** Kirsty McNeill, Dr Zubir Ahmed, Victoria Fowler (MNMUK), University of Glasgow

**Venue:** Carron 2

**Time:** 5.30pm – 6.30pm

*Refreshments: Canapes and drinks will be served*



**Organisation: End Child Poverty**

**Subject:** *Ending child poverty: what's needed now?*

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**Speakers:** Paul O'Kane MSP Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Social Security and Equalities, Satwat Rehman, Chief Executive, One Parent Families Scotland, John Dickie, Director of Child Poverty Action Group in Scotland, TBC, Close the Gap

**Venue:** Alsh 1

**Time:** 8.30am – 9.30am

*Refreshments: Breakfast rolls, teas and coffee*



**Organisation: Scottish Federation of Housing Associations**

**Subject:** *Fighting the Housing Crisis to tackle poverty and boost economic growth*

**Summary:** Join SFHA and high-profile speakers to discuss what needs to happen to tackle the housing crisis in Scotland. Last year three local authorities declared housing emergencies, with more set to follow this year. These declarations come on the back of record levels of homelessness and numbers of people living in temporary accommodation.

The First Minister has set three defining missions for this Scottish Government; equality, opportunity and community. Good quality, warm and affordable homes cut right across, and are central to, each of these three missions.

We will not end poverty by failing to invest in the affordable housing needed to fix the housing crisis, nor will we reach our climate goals or deliver sustainable public services. This session will discuss how we can tackle the housing crisis in order to fight poverty, end homelessness and boost inclusive economic growth.

Breakfast will be provided.

**Speakers:** Mark Griffin MSP; Sally Thomas, Chief Executive, SFHA; Gary Dalziel, Chief Executive, Elderpark Housing Association; TBC

**Venue:** Alsh 2

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Breakfast will be provided. Tea and coffee with fruit & Filled rolls*



## Organisation: REVIVE Coalition

**Subject:** *Real Land Reform with Scottish Labour*

**Summary:** This land is your land but huge swathes of Scotland's land has been dominated by large landowners and sport shooting interests – enabling unequal land ownership models to persist. It's time to challenge this power, and with a new land reform bill on the horizon, join us at this opportune time to see how we can enact real change for Scotland's people, environment and wildlife.

**Speakers:** Eliza Chiswell (chair), Max Wiszniewski (campaign manager for REVIVE) Craig Dalzell (Head of Policy and Research at Common Weal) and Rhoda Grant MSP

**Venue:** Boisdale 1

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Teas, coffees and light breakfast*



## Organisation: Labour Friends of the Forces

**Subject:** *Defence in Scotland: What a UK Labour Government can do for the sector.*

**Summary:** Join us for a panel and discussion on what a UK Labour Government can do for the defence industry in Scotland, its workforce and skills.

**Speakers:** Paul Sweeney MSP for Glasgow Region; Toby Dickinson Co-Chair of Labour Friends of the Forces; further speakers to be announced @labourforces

**Venue:** Boisdale 2

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Filled morning rolls, tea, coffee*



## Organisation: EIS

**Subject:** *Education Matters*

**Summary:** Paula McEwan, EIS President, Allan Crosbie, EIS Vice-President, and Andrea Bradley, EIS General Secretary, discuss the current issues in Scottish Education with Pam Duncan-Glancy MSP, Scottish Labour Party Spokesperson for Education. Followed by a Q & A session.

**Speakers:** Pam Duncan-Glancy MSP, Andrea Bradley (EIS General Secretary), Paula McEwan (EIS President) & Allan Crosbie (EIS Vice-President)

**Venue:** Carron 1

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Tea, coffee & pastries*



## Organisation: Scottish Labour Party

**Subject:** *Transforming our NHS for the future: healthcare in the digital age*

**Summary:** The NHS is Labour's greatest achievement, and we know it needs to transform to ensure it remains fit for the future and can deliver for patients. Technology has a major role to play in how staff and patients experience healthcare; as it stands, these opportunities remain largely untapped. This session will explore how digital innovation and solutions can be utilised to make the most of staff's talent and time, transform the patient experience and improve health outcomes.

**Speakers:** Jackie Baillie MSP (chair) will be joined by leading experts and innovators in digital healthcare. Speakers TBA.

**Venue:** Carron 2

**Time:** 8:30am – 9:30am

*Refreshments: Breakfast rolls*





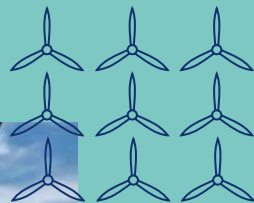
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## **SSE Clean Power Pavilion, Hall 2, SEC**

Labour has put the clean power mission at the heart of its plans for government. If Labour does form the UK Government after the General Election, Scotland will play a pivotal role in the race for net zero, energy security and economic growth.

We hope delegates will join us in the Clean Power Pavilion for a series of events on unlocking Scotland's energy potential, featuring speakers from across the clean energy sector, academia, the third sector and beyond.

### **Friday 16 February**

#### **Panel**

##### **Scotland's role in delivering energy security and the clean power system**

10:00 - 11:00



#### **Panel**

##### **The importance of Living Pensions in tackling poverty in later life**

12:30 - 13:30

Lunch provided



#### **Panel**

##### **The economic contribution of Scotland's renewables industry**

14:30 - 15:30



#### **Drinks reception**

##### **The world's largest offshore wind farm reception**

17:00 - 18:30

Drinks and refreshments provided – invite only



### **Saturday 17 February**

#### **Roundtable breakfast**

##### **Financing major infrastructure projects in Scotland**

8:30 - 10:00

Invite only



#### **Panel**

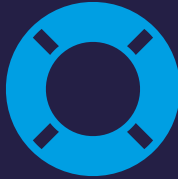
##### **Powering a Just Transition - the role of grid in unlocking local economies and leaving a legacy for communities**

13:30 - 14:30

Lunch provided



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### ACTSA Scotland Stand C16

ACTSA Scotland campaigns for justice and development in Southern Africa, encourages links with the region, and works closely with the Nelson Mandela Scottish Memorial Foundation to create a permanent memorial in Scotland to Mandela, his links with Scotland and his lessons for all who value social and racial justice.

[www.actsascotland.org.uk](http://www.actsascotland.org.uk)  
[mandelascottishmemorial.org](http://mandelascottishmemorial.org)  
[john.nelson@actsascotland.org.uk](mailto:john.nelson@actsascotland.org.uk)



### Advice Direct Stand B6

Scotland's national advice service - we provide free, practical, and impartial advice to anyone in Scotland on a range of issues including debt, energy bills and consumer rights. We partner with the Scottish Government to administer support funds and

engage with almost one million people each year per annum across our services.

[www.advisedirect.scot](http://www.advisedirect.scot)  
 Twitter: @advisedotscot  
[www.facebook.com/advice.scot](https://www.facebook.com/advice.scot)  
 Phone: 0808 800 9060



### Alcohol Focus Scotland Stand C3

Alcohol Focus Scotland is the national charity working to prevent and reduce problems caused by alcohol. We want to see fewer people have their health damaged or lives cut short due to alcohol, fewer children and families suffering because of other people's drinking, and communities free from alcohol-related crime and violence

[www.alcohol-focus-scotland.org.uk](http://www.alcohol-focus-scotland.org.uk)



### Asthma & Lung UK Scotland Stand A2

As Asthma + Lung UK Scotland, we believe that every breath matters - and that the right to breathe freely applies to everybody, regardless of income, age, ethnicity, gender, or background. We campaign for better diagnosis, treatment, care and support for people living with lung conditions. We campaign to reduce levels of smoking and to combat air pollution. We campaign for the 1 in 5 living with a lung condition.



### **British Heart Foundation Scotland Stand B2**

BHF Scotland is the largest independent funder of cardiovascular research in Scotland. We currently fund research worth over £52 million with the aim of improving the lives of the 700,000 people living with heart and circulatory diseases in Scotland.



### **Cancer Research UK Stand E3**

Cancer Research UK is the world's largest independent cancer charity dedicated to saving lives through research. We support research into over 200 types of cancer, and our vision is to bring forward the day when all cancers are cured. In 2022/23, we invested around £33 million in research in Scotland.

<https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/>



### **Care Not Killing Stand D5**

With a new assisted dying Bill being proposed at Holyrood, what type of NHS do we want in Scotland? Is it one that cares for the vulnerable or one which suggests they're better

off dead? In Canada, healthcare savings are leading to expansion of the Medical Assistance in Dying law and result in pressure on people who are vulnerable to end their lives. Care Not Killing campaigns for better palliative care and opposes the legalisation of assisted suicide and euthanasia.

[www.carenotkilling.scot](http://www.carenotkilling.scot)



### **Chest Heart and Stroke Scotland Stand C1**

We are Scotland's largest health charity working to help people with chest, heart and stroke conditions live life to the full. Find out more about our Right to Rehab campaign, and the work our amazing nurses, support workers and volunteers do to make sure no one has to recover alone.

<https://www.chss.org.uk/>



### **CIPD Stand C15**

The CIPD is the professional body for HR and people development and have been championing better work and working lives for more than 100 years. With more than 160,000 members globally, they offer trusted advice and independent thought leadership and are a leading voice in the call for good work.

[www.cipd.org/uk](http://www.cipd.org/uk)  
Twitter: [@cipdscotland](https://twitter.com/cipdscotland)



### **Community Wind Power** **Stand C10**

Supporting Scotland's Net Zero ambitions since 2001, operating 9 onshore windfarms (335MW) and developing a portfolio of 1.5GW of wind, hydrogen, and storage projects. Committed to the Scottish supply chain, investing £2bn by 2026. Our projects support communities, delivering over £8.5m in funding, including energy saving and legacy initiatives.

[www.communitywindpower.co.uk](http://www.communitywindpower.co.uk)  
[info@communitywindpower.co.uk](mailto:info@communitywindpower.co.uk)

### **Delegate Services** **Stand A4**



### **Educational Institute of Scotland (EIS)** **Stand C5**

The Educational Institute of Scotland (EIS) is Scotland's largest teaching trade union with almost 65,000 members employed in nursery, primary, special, secondary, further and higher education. The EIS represents over 80% of all teachers and lecturers in Scotland and campaigns to protect and improve their pay and conditions of service as well as seeking to promote "sound learning" across all sectors.



### **Electrical Safety First** **Stand B8**

Electrical Safety First is the charity dedicated to reducing deaths and injuries caused by electrical accidents. Our aim is to ensure everyone in the UK can use electricity safely. We campaign on behalf of consumers to improve electrical safety regulation and make sure that safety messages are appropriate, up-to-date and well communicated. For more information about our work, visit: <https://www.electricalsafetyfirst.org.uk/scotland>



### **Engender** **Stand E8**

Engender is Scotland's feminist policy and advocacy organisation, working to increase women's social, political and economic equality, enable women's rights, and make visible the impact of sexism on women and wider society. We work at Scottish, UK and international level to produce research, analysis, and recommendations for intersectional feminist legislation and programmes.



## **European Movement in Scotland** **Stand E2**

The European Movement in Scotland, is the foremost pro-European organisation in the country. We campaign to reclaim Scotland and UK's place in the EU. Join us or find out more at <https://euromovescotland.org.uk/>



## **First Bus** **Stand D1**

Working in partnership with local councils, First Bus provides efficient, low carbon public transport across Greater Glasgow and Aberdeen. Through battery electric and hydrogen buses, our dedicated workforce delivers essential and sustainable bus services that keep communities connected.

[www.firstbus.co.uk](http://www.firstbus.co.uk)



## **Guide Dogs Scotland** **Stand A1**

Guide Dogs is here to help the two million people living with sight loss in the UK live the life they choose. Our expert staff, volunteers and life-changing dogs are here to help people affected by sight loss live actively, independently and well.

## **HYDROGEN ZONE**

### **Hydrogen Zone** **Stand E9**

Scotland has a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to become a global leader in hydrogen. As well as supporting decarbonisation targets, Scotland's hydrogen market can drive economic activity and create good jobs. The Hydrogen Zone features world-leading examples of hydrogen technology and projects being developed across Scotland.



### **Keir Hardie Society** **Stand E4**

The Keir Hardie Society was formed in 2010 and aims to keep alive the ideas and promote the life and work of James Keir Hardie, the first Leader of the Labour Party. We hold events and publish research and articles about Hardie, his ideas and the periods history. On our website, you can access our Keir Hardie Trail across Ayrshire and Lanarkshire, read Hardie's speeches, and discover the relevance of his work for politics today.

[www.keirhardiesociety.org](http://www.keirhardiesociety.org)



### **Labour exhibitions** **Stand A9**

Interested in getting involved in a future event then do stop by and meet our team.

[www.labour.org.uk/conference/lpexhibition](http://www.labour.org.uk/conference/lpexhibition)



### **Labour for a New Democracy** **Stand D6**

Labour policy now recognises that First Past the Post is contributing to the distrust and alienation we see in politics – and the Labour movement is firmly behind PR. Drop by to chat, pick up some merch, and find out how to get involved in the #Labour4PR campaign



### **Labour Friends of the Forces** **Stand E7**

Labour Friends of the Forces provides the link between our armed forces community and the Labour Party. Our members include serving regular and reserve personnel, veterans, service families, Armed Forces Champions and elected Labour representatives at all levels of government across the country.

[www.labourforces.org](http://www.labourforces.org)



### **The Labour Party in Northern Ireland** **Stand E5**

Northern Ireland Labour Party, The Labour Party in Northern Ireland (LPNI) campaigns for the democratic right to run Labour Party candidates in Northern Ireland elections. People in Northern Ireland are currently denied the right to vote Labour by the NEC and only have the option of other parties. They therefore cannot contribute to delivering a U.K. Labour Government.



### **Marie Curie** **Stand B3**

Marie Curie is the largest third sector provider of palliative and end of life care for adults in Scotland. We campaign for everyone facing dying, death and bereavement to have the best possible end of life experience.

<https://www.mariecurie.org.uk/>

**RNIB Scotland**  
**Stand E1**

The Royal National Institute of Blind People Scotland supports blind and partially sighted people of all ages live as fully and independently as possible. It provides advice, support, training and information about equipment. Through its campaigning RNIB Scotland gives people with sight loss a voice.



**Royal Pharmaceutical Society**  
**Stand C7**

Royal Pharmaceutical Society is the professional body for pharmacists and pharmacy in all settings. Our vision is to become the world leader in the safe and effective use of medicines. To achieve this we promote pharmacy in the media and government, lead the way in medicines information, and support pharmacists in their education and development. We have a bold vision for the future of pharmacy in Scotland, 'Pharmacy2030'. Come and speak with our team to hear about it.

[www.rpharms.com/scotland](http://www.rpharms.com/scotland)

**RWE**  
**Stand D3**

RWE is the UK's leading power producer with ambitions to invest up to £15bn gross in clean energy projects between 2021 and 2030. Scotland is a key part of our plans, with 480MW of installed capacity across 15 hydro, 10 onshore and 1 offshore wind projects.



**Save the Children**

**Save the Children**  
**Stand C9**

We work with children, families and partners across Scotland to challenge poverty, campaign to tackle and prevent the drivers of poverty and lessen its impact on children and families. We amplify the voices and experiences of children, young people, parents and communities and provide opportunities to challenge and solve poverty.



**scottish  
co-operative  
party**

**Scottish Co-operative Party**  
**Stand B4**

The Scottish Co-operative Party is the political party of the co-operative movement in Scotland. We have 11 MSPs and councillors across Scotland. We are campaigning for a fairer, more co-operative Scotland.

[www.party.coop](http://www.party.coop)





## **Scottish Health Action on Alcohol Problems**

### **Stand A7**

SHAAP is a partnership of the Medical Royal Colleges in Scotland and the Faculty of Public Health. SHAAP provides the authoritative medical voice on evidence-based approaches to reduce alcohol-related harm in Scotland.

[www.shaap.org.uk](http://www.shaap.org.uk)



## **Scottish Labour Unions**

### **Stand B7**

We are the trade unions that are part of the Scottish Labour Party, bringing the collective voices of working people to the heart of the party. We campaign for a Labour government that will transform the lives of working people for the better.



## **Scottish Police Federation**

### **Stand C4**

The Scottish Police Federation is the staff association that represents over 99% of the police officers in Scotland; currently more than 16,500 members. With a remit for both the welfare of our members and efficiency of the service we are the

only statutory consultative body for the police service in Scotland.

[www.spf.org.uk](http://www.spf.org.uk)

Twitter: @scotspolfed



## **Scottish Professional Footballers League**

### **Stand D9**

Scottish Professional Football League, SPFL Trust & Scottish Womens Premier League Across Scotland, football plays a positive role in our communities. Visit our stand to learn more about the Power of Football.



## **Scottish Renewables**

### **Stand C6**

Scottish Renewables is the voice of Scotland's renewable energy industry, representing more than 350 organisations. We work to grow our renewable energy sector and supply chain which supports more than 42,000 jobs and contributes over £10.1 billion of output to the Scottish economy. Find out more about our work to sustain Scotland's position at the forefront of the global clean energy industry here:

[www.scottishrenewables.com](http://www.scottishrenewables.com)



### **Scottish Swimming** **Stand C8**

Scottish Swimming believes swimming pools are vital community assets which keep children safer in and around water, improve the health of the nation, and are a lifeline for the elderly for fitness and social interaction. Our Save Our Pools campaign aims to secure investment for swimming pools for current and future generations.

[www.scottishswimming.com](http://www.scottishswimming.com)



### **Scottish Water** **Stand C12**

Scottish Water is publicly owned. With more than 60,000 miles of pipes and over 2,000 treatment works, we support communities and are innovating to achieve net zero by 2040. Vital to everyone's lives we look after this precious natural resource 365 days a year. Piped by us, owned by you.



### **SGN** **Stand D11**

SGN own and operate Scotland's gas network, supplying 1.9 million households and businesses with gas to cook, heat homes and power business. SGN will be a key part of the UK and Scotland's transition to net zero and will continue to support vulnerable customers across our network.

[SGN.co.uk](http://SGN.co.uk)



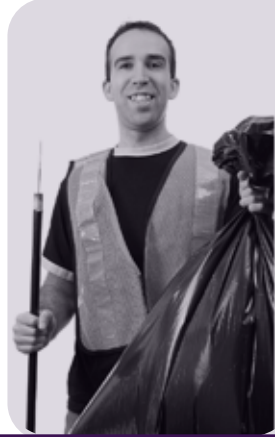
### **Sight Scotland and Sight Scotland Veterans** **Stand C14**

At Sight Scotland we're tackling vision loss together. Our mission is to reach everyone in Scotland with sight loss – where and when they need us. We offer support and advice, campaign for equal rights and fund research. We provide learning, care, accessible formats and support people in their communities. Sight Scotland Veterans provides free support to ex-servicemen and women affected by sight loss, regardless of the cause. Sight Scotland. Educating & Supporting People With Vision Loss



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[www.unison-scotland.org](http://www.unison-scotland.org) / [join.unison.org](http://join.unison.org)



## **SSE Parliamentary Lounge and Clean Power Pavilion** **Stand L2**

The SSE Parliamentary Lounge is a private space with refreshments for Labour parliamentarians and staff to host meetings throughout the conference.

SSE are also pleased to be hosting a series of events on unlocking Scotland's energy potential in the Clean Power Pavilion.



## **StepChange** **Stand B9**

StepChange Debt Charity Scotland advises 27,600 annually with our online and telephony service. The charity provides free advice solutions to support our clients becoming debt free. StepChange is dedicated to a society free from problem debt. Our policy team analyse the impact of problem debt on our clients and develops ideas on how to prevent and alleviate the pressures that drive households into it

[stepchange.org](http://stepchange.org)



### **Terrence Higgins Trust** **Stand A8**

Terrence Higgins Trust is Scotland's leading HIV and sexual health charity. Since 1982, we have been fighting for the rights of people impacted by HIV across the UK, challenging stigma and working with decision makers to drive forward positive change. Scotland now has the opportunity to be the first country in the world to end new cases of HIV. With bold action and by working together we can make history and do this by 2030. Find out more about our work at: [ttht.org.uk](http://ttht.org.uk)



**Coalfields  
Regeneration  
Trust**

**BUILDING PROSPERITY & OPPORTUNITY**

### **The Coalfields Regeneration Trust** **Stand D12**

The Coalfields Regeneration Trust is dedicated to building prosperity and opportunity in Scotland's former coalfield communities. The charity is the only organisation with the sole focus of improving the lives of the 5.7 million people who live in former coalfield areas in Scotland, Wales and England.



### **The Professional Sales Association - PSA** **Stand E6**

A National Branch within UNITE the Union, the PSA represent the rights of travelling sales people salaried and self employed. If you or someone you know works as a rep selling goods please feel free to visit our booth at the Conference and learn more or join.

[www.professionalsalesassociation.co.uk](http://www.professionalsalesassociation.co.uk)



### **The Royal Society of Edinburgh** **Stand C2**

The Royal Society of Edinburgh (RSE), Scotland's National Academy, is an educational charity operating on a wholly independent and non-party-political basis to provide public benefit throughout Scotland.

<https://rse.org.uk/>



### **The Trussell Trust** **Stand D10**

The Trussell Trust is a UK wide network of food banks and together we provide emergency food and support to people locked in poverty, and campaign for change to end the need for food banks and charitable food aid. We believe everyone should be able to afford the essentials and this should be the foundation of our social security system. We are determined to build a better future where no one needs a food bank.

*Twitter: @TrussellScot*  
*[www.trusselltrust.org/what-we-do/scotland](http://www.trusselltrust.org/what-we-do/scotland)*



### **UNISON Scotland** **Stand B1**

UNISON is Scotland's largest public services trade union. We represent UNISON members across local government; health; community and voluntary sector; the emergency services; housing; higher and further education; among others. It gives us and unparalleled overview of public services and those who deliver them.



### **Who Cares ? Scotland** **Stand B5**

Who Cares? Scotland is the national membership organisation for all Care Experienced people. Every person in Scotland should grow up feeling equal, loved and respected, throughout their lives. Who Cares? Scotland wants to see a world where this is the reality for all Care Experienced people.

# A UK SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL INDUSTRY: creating jobs and enabling a green recovery across the UK

## UK Potential

The map below shows there is potential for 14 Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) plants across 7 locations in the UK – including in Scotland, Wales, the North West, Teesside and Humberside. The sites have existing infrastructure and skills to support a range of innovative technologies converting wastes and residues into SAF and other sustainable products.

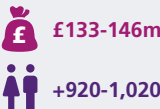
In 2022, Heathrow became the first airport globally to launch a SAF incentive programme, which covers 50% of the extra cost of SAF, as part of its landing charges. Heathrow is committed to progressively increasing the amount of SAF used each year, with a target of 11% usage by 2030.



### North West



### South Wales



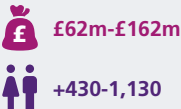
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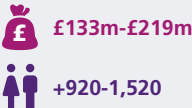
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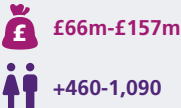
### Teesside



### Humber



### Hampshire



### Phase 1 feedstocks for SAF

- Waste that cannot be recycled (commercial and domestic)
- Forestry Residues
- Agricultural Residues
- Carbon waste gases

### Existing production infrastructure

- Site Refinery

### Phase 2 feedstocks for SAF

- Carbon capture cluster
- Potential Green H<sub>2</sub> Cluster
- Renewable offshore wind





The Association for Public Service Excellence (APSE) is owned by its members and, working on their behalf, maintains and develops a network of local government officers, managers and councillors from local authorities across England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

Working on a not-for-profit basis, APSE is dedicated to promoting excellence in the delivery of frontline services to local communities around the UK. Through the extensive APSE network, we are able to share information and expertise on vital frontline services, ask for advice and innovative solutions, and develop new, viable ways forward in an effort to help one another.

The foremost specialist in local authority frontline services  
APSE provides a variety of services...

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**APSE members benefit from:**

- Sector networks for frontline services
- Specialist seminars
- Research publications
- Not-for-profit consultancy

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Climate Change and Renewables  
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Housing  
Roads, Highways and Winter Maintenance  
Street Cleansing  
Sports, Leisure and Cultural Services  
Cemeteries and Crematoria  
Commercialisation Networks  
Property Repairs and Maintenance  
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