

**Question S4W-20982: Jayne Baxter, Mid Scotland and Fife, Scottish Labour, Date Lodged: 02/05/2014**

To ask the Scottish Government when it will issue further guidance in relation to deaf children and young people in line with recommendation 7 of the See Hear framework published in April 2014 and what opportunity there will be for public engagement on this guidance.

Current Status: Expected Answer date 19/05/2014

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**Question S4W-20980: Jayne Baxter, Mid Scotland and Fife, Scottish Labour, Date Lodged: 02/05/2014**

To ask the Scottish Government how much it has spent in each year from 2007 on programmes that target or contribute to the reduction of the attainment gap between deaf children and children with no additional support requirements, also broken down by programme.

Current Status: Expected Answer date 19/05/2014

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**Question S4W-20979: Jayne Baxter, Mid Scotland and Fife, Scottish Labour, Date Lodged: 02/05/2014**

To ask the Scottish Government which provisions of its See Hear framework will work to close the attainment gap between deaf children and children with no additional support requirements.

Current Status: Expected Answer date 19/05/2014

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**Question S4W-20978: Jayne Baxter, Mid Scotland and Fife, Scottish Labour, Date Lodged: 02/05/2014**

To ask the Scottish Government what steps it will take to review education provision for deaf learners to ensure that it is achieving the best possible outcomes.

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**Question S4W-20977: Jayne Baxter, Mid Scotland and Fife, Scottish Labour, Date Lodged: 02/05/2014**

To ask the Scottish Government how it will address the potential (a) 15% decrease in the number of teachers of deaf pupils and (b) 23% decrease in the number of qualified teachers of deaf pupils over the last two years.

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**Question S4W-20976: Jayne Baxter, Mid Scotland and Fife, Scottish Labour, Date Lodged: 02/05/2014**

To ask the Scottish Government what measures and programmes it (a) has supported in each year from 2007 and (b) supports that address the education difficulties experienced by deaf pupils.

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**Question S4W-20974: Jayne Baxter, Mid Scotland and Fife, Scottish Labour, Date Lodged: 02/05/2014**

To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the attainment gap for deaf learners set out in the National Deaf Children's Society Scotland's report, Close the Gap, and whether it will commit to closing that gap.

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**Motion S4M-09833: Graeme Dey, Angus South, Scottish National Party, Date Lodged: 25/04/2014: Arbroath Performers Raise £12,000 for Charities**

That the Parliament commends the Angus Minstrels; notes that, at its 53rd annual general meeting, it was confirmed that, over the last year, the Arbroath-based performers raised £12,000 for five charities, with £8,000 presented to the Children's Hospice Association Scotland, £1,500 allocated to the Arbroath branch of the RNLI, £1,000 awarded to Marie Curie Nurses, £1,000 to the town's CAFÉ Project and £500 donated to the Tayside Deaf Children's Society, and understands that, over the years, the minstrels have raised in excess of £500,000 for various good causes.

Supported by: Christian Allard, Bill Kidd, Mike MacKenzie, Chic Brodie, Roderick Campbell, Nigel Don, Dennis Robertson, Joan McAlpine, Nanette Milne, Annabelle Ewing, Richard Lyle, Kevin Stewart, Stuart McMillan, Adam Ingram, Colin Beattie, Sandra White, Colin Keir, Mark McDonald

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**Motion S4M-09650: Angus MacDonald, Falkirk East, Scottish National Party, Date Lodged: 07/04/2014  
Falkirk's Behind the Wall Wins Best Independent Pub in Best Bar None Awards**

That the Parliament congratulates the Falkirk bar and restaurant, Behind the Wall, on winning the Best Independent Pub award at the national Best Bar None Awards; notes that this accolade comes one year before the pub's 30th anniversary celebrations; understands that this is the fourth year that Behind the Wall has made it to the Scottish final, but the first time that it has taken the national title; notes that the Best Bar None scheme aims to promote a positive image of the country's night time economy by creating safer and more welcoming city and town centre environments; further notes that the scheme is run locally by Falkirk Delivers, is nationally administered by the Scottish Business Resilience Centre and that it awards pubs and clubs bronze, silver and gold accreditation, depending on their commitment to safety, responsible drinking and customer care; understands that judges praised Behind the Wall's use of metal detectors, free drinks for designated drivers policy, use of interpreters for people who are deaf and free bottled water; believes that this award reinforces the message that Falkirk is a welcoming and safe place to work, stay and spend leisure time; also congratulates Falkirk's City nightclub and Voodoo Lounge on making it through to the national finals, and wishes all three licensed premises continued success for the future.

Supported by: Bill Kidd, Joan McAlpine, Stuart McMillan, Sandra White, Graeme Dey, Adam Ingram, Dennis Robertson, Kevin Stewart, Mike MacKenzie, Kenneth Gibson, Rob Gibson, Richard Lyle, Chic Brodie, David Torrance, Colin Beattie, Annabelle Ewing, Gil Paterson, Colin Keir, Maureen Watt, Christian Allard

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