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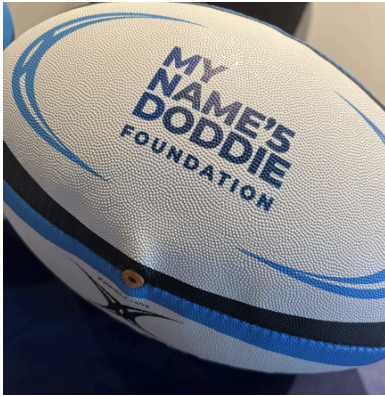
MEMBER OF THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT FOR
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW CONSTITUENCY



My Name's Doddie Foundation

A huge thank you to Sean from My Name's Doddie Foundation for shedding light on the key challenges faced by individuals and families affected by MND.

It was incredibly insightful to learn more about the remarkable work of the My Name's Doddie Foundation, its achievements to date, and the vital steps needed to enhance the lives of those living with MND.



B&Q visit

Fabulous day meeting Derek and Yvonne in B&Q, Coatbridge. Wonderful to see the impactful work happening in the store, benefiting both the local and wider community.

it's inspiring to see sustainability at the core of the store's and the company's efforts, showing how businesses can lead the way in creating a positive impact. It's a great reminder of the impact that conscious efforts can have on people and the planet!

B&Q



Climate Cafe Network Hub



Wonderful to speak to the team from Climate Cafe Network Hub in the Scottish Parliament to learn more about Climate Cafes and the amazing progress they have made so far!

Climate Cafe Network hub have been bringing communities together to connect with others in their community since 2015! Climate Cafes are community led, as an open, inclusive space for people to get together to talk and act on climate change!

Follow this link to find out more about setting up a Climate Café in your locality:
<https://www.climate.cafe/>

Community Action Network

Thanks to everyone who came along to the community action network. It was amazing to get the chance to speak to different organisations and learn what is possible for the community in Lanarkshire.

Special thanks to those who presented , it was fabulous to hear about the fantastic work taking place within your organisation's.

If you would like more information regarding the Community Action Network please get in touch with my office.





Constituent Surgeries

Along with my team, we have continued to attend the local community food larders and banks, ensuring that those attending are in receipt of their full benefit entitlements.

This has resulted in the uptake of eligible bus pass applications, referrals to Citizen Advice for maximising benefit checks and Voiceability - an advocacy service that assists with the completion of Social Security Scotland benefit applications.

Please get in contact if you have any issues you wish to have a chat about. We will do our best to help.

Glenisla Kilts

It was fantastic to meet John and his brilliant team at Glenisla Kilts yesterday! Hearing about the company's history and the incredible effort John has invested to bring it to where it is today was truly inspiring!



Auld Lang Syne

Had a fantastic day with my team on Sunday! Once again, Mairi Campbell delivered a stunning performance of Auld Lang Syne at the Scottish Storytelling Centre. A captivating journey through Mairi's adventures and history with this iconic song.

South Parish Church

It was a pleasure to welcome the wonderful ladies of South Parish Church to Parliament. I am deeply grateful for all the hard work they do, particularly their dedication to organising regular coffee mornings, which bring the community together.



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PARLIAMENT SPEECHES AND QUESTIONS

08 January 2025

Asked the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address colonoscopy waiting times to improve early diagnosis of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), in light of Public Health Scotland data from September 2024 showing the highest proportion of patients waiting a year or more for a colonoscopy since January 2023.

15 January 2025

Asked the Scottish Government how it is supporting people in Motherwell and Wishaw in accessing social security entitlements.

16 January 2025

Asked the Scottish Government, in light of IBD UK's report, Crohn's and Colitis Care in Scotland: A Vision for Change, which highlighted that three in 10 people with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) waited over a year after developing symptoms to visit their GP, what assessment it has made of the need for a new high-profile public awareness campaign on the seriousness of IBD and its symptoms, and whether it will commit to introducing such a campaign to encourage earlier GP visits and improve early diagnosis.

21 January 2025

Asked the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its calls for tailored migration routes to be introduced within the current UK immigration system, to support Scotland's economy, communities and public services.

23 January 2025

Asked the Scottish Government how it is supporting people in Motherwell and Wishaw in accessing social security entitlements.

30 January

Asked the Scottish Government about the fifth anniversary of the United Kingdom's exit from the European Union. A recent report by the Institute for Public Policy Research highlighted a slump in trade with the EU and described UK trade policy as "muddled" and "rudderless" since the 2016 Brexit vote. I asked the First Minister for his response to the report and whether he agreed that Brexit has been an economic disaster for Scotland and that rejoining the EU as an independent nation would be in Scotland's best interests.

MOTIONS I LODGED THIS MONTH

S6M-15993

Chris's House 10th Anniversary

S6M-16111

**Scottish Schools Education Research Centre (SSERC)
Celebrates its 60th Anniversary**

S6M-16143

Brexit Harm to Scotland, Five Years Since the UK Left the EU

S6M-16203

Grampa's Memory by Linzi Bowden

S6M-16204

Hugh Black & Sons Wins Three Gold Smithfield Award

6M-16205

Fir Park Corner 2014

S6M-16206

**In Memory of Captain David Anderson, 20th Motherwell
Boys' Brigade**

S6M-16281

Ashley McCaig's Annual Fundraiser for St Andrew's Hospice

S6M-16280

Recognising the Generosity of Tesco Wishaw Customers