

Correspondence noted.

- 7** There were submitted and noted letters from
- (1) Gillian Martin MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy, in response to a motion calling for urgent reform of the energy pricing system approved by this Council on 30th October 2025 (Print 5, page 34);
 - (2) Michael Shanks MP, Minister of State for Energy, in response to a motion calling for urgent reform of the energy pricing system approved by this Council on 30th October 2025 (Print 5, page 34);
 - (3) James Murray MP, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, in response to a motion on fiscal reform to secure sustainable funding for public services and to provide parity of funding between the Glasgow City Region and English metro Regions approved by this Council on 11th December 2025 (Print 6, page 17); and
 - (4) Shona Robison MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government, in response to a motion calling for the Scottish Budget to deliver a real terms increase in Local Government funding to at least £16bn approved by this Council on 11th December 2025 (Print 6, page 17); and
 - (5) Kate Dearden MP, Minister for Employment Rights and Consumer Protection, in response to a motion on the importance of a meaningful increase to statutory parental leave and requesting change in the criteria for the Tax Free Childcare scheme approved by this Council on 30th October 2025 (Print 5, page 28).