

Stirling Matters - November 2022 (38th Edition)
News from Stirling's Parliamentary Team

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UK Supreme Court Ruling Issued

The UK Supreme Court has issued their ruling regarding the Scottish Parliament's ability to legislate for an independence referendum. Watch Alyn's response here.

Scotland's Right to Choose Our Future

Local SNP politicians Alyn Smith MP and Evelyn Tweed MSP have offered their reactions to the UK Supreme Court verdict issued earlier today, which confirmed existing UK constitutional law does not allow for the Scottish Parliament to hold an independence referendum without the permission of the UK Government. In a speech after the verdict was announced, First Minister and SNP Leader Nicola Sturgeon reinforced she respected the verdict of the Court, and they have fulfilled their role in clarifying the law - not creating it.

Alyn Smith MP Gives Autumn Budget Reaction

Alyn gives his response to the latest budget presented to the House of Commons, by Chancellor Jeremy Hunt.

Local MP Encourages Scottish Lamb for St Andrews Day

Stirling MP Alyn Smith is supporting a local and national campaign to promote Scotch lamb, ahead of St Andrew's Day on 30th November. The campaign comes from valued organisations such as United Auctions, and has the backing from a wide variety of sector partners, including Quality Meat Scotland, the National Farmers Union Scotland, the National Sheep Association Scotland, and the Institute of Auctioneers and Appraisers Scotland.

Petition Launched to Save Bridge of Allan Post Office

MP for Stirling Alyn Smith and MSP for Clackmannanshire and Dunblane Keith Brown have backed calls to save postal provision in Bridge of Allan, following questions over the future of Post Office services in the area. The McColl's outlet on Fountain Road in Bridge of Allan has been earmarked for closure, after McColl's was taken over by supermarket-chain Morrison's. Post Office services in the Bridge of Allan area are currently located within McColl's store.

Stirling MSP Evelyn Tweed Welcomes Open Conversations on Menopause in the Scottish Parliament

MSP for Stirling Evelyn Tweed shared her story of menopause during a debate on World Menopause Month in the Scottish Parliament this week. Evelyn Tweed highlighted the Scottish Government Women's Health Plan, which sets out steps for menopause-specific services, and much needed advances in this area. Scotland again leads the way and is the first country in the UK to implement such an ambitious plan.

Stirling MSP Evelyn Tweed Joins Christmas Preparations at Camphill Blair Drummond

MSP for Stirling Evelyn Tweed visits Camphill Blair Drummond and welcomes return of much-loved Christmas event. MSP for Stirling Evelyn Tweed has visited Camphill Blair Drummond and enjoyed a tour of the centre as they prepare for their Christmas event. Camphill Blair Drummond is a rural community which offers homes, activities and opportunities to adults with learning disabilities and other special needs. Over 200 people live and work in this community as day students, employees and volunteers.

Bus Survey Results In

A joint bus survey promoted by Alyn Smith MP and Evelyn Tweed MSP has published initial findings, summarising the experience of bus users across Stirling.

Brexit Costs Stirling Equivalent of £37.5m as Exports Plummet

Brexit has cost Stirling the equivalent of £37.5 million as Scottish exports have plummeted since the UK left the EU to the value of £2.2bn. Figures from HMRC show that exports have dropped 13% in the past two years from £16.7bn to £14.5bn. The £2.2bn loss is equivalent to Stirling losing £37.5 million.