

Available to help



Dear constituent

As the member of the Scottish Parliament for Tweeddale, Ettrick and Lauderdale it is my job to represent everybody in the constituency at Holyrood and to work on their behalf dealing with issues that are the responsibility of the Scottish Parliament.

I will do everything I can to ensure that my constituents have good access to their MSP at all times and that all residents know that I am available to listen to them and work on their behalf in resolving problems.

This leaflet outlines, briefly, my work as the constituency MSP, my responsibilities, as well as the powers and responsibilities of the Scottish Parliament. It also outlines how you can contact me if you believe there is an issue I should take action on, or you would like me to visit a local group or organisation.

*With best wishes
Jeremy Purvis*

Jeremy Purvis MSP
Member of the Scottish Parliament for Tweeddale, Ettrick & Lauderdale

Getting in touch

As well as visiting local groups and organisations to hear more of what they are doing and listening to their concerns I support local events and festivals. If you are organising a community event please keep me in touch and I will do my best to support it.

If you have a problem you need help with, you are seeking advice, have a question to ask or an issue that concerns you, please contact me. I cannot promise to solve every problem raised with me but I will do my best to help.

You can get in touch with me in the following ways:

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Working all year round for you as Member of the Scottish Parliament for Tweeddale, Ettrick & Lauderdale



How your MSP can help you



The Scottish Parliament

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The Scottish Parliament derives its powers from the Scotland Act (1998). The act defined certain areas where the Westminster Parliament would continue to legislate for Scotland. These are termed "reserved matters". All other issues are dealt with by the Scottish Parliament and these are commonly known as "devolved matters".

Devolved matters include:

- Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
- Education and Social Work
- Housing
- Industry and Enterprise
- Transport
- Local Government
- Police
- Justice and the Scottish Legal System
- Representing Scotland in the EU
- The Environment
- Health

The Scottish Parliament is made up of 129 MSPs. 73 represent constituencies and 56 are additional members that represent regions. Jeremy is the youngest constituency MSP.

at Holyrood



At the Scottish Parliament my job includes scrutinising the work of the Scottish Executive, both in committee and in the chamber and representing all the residents of Tweeddale, Ettrick and Lauderdale.

I regularly meet with the local government agencies and bodies and raise issues with ministers on behalf of individual constituents.

My work

I am usually in the Scottish Parliament Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week while the Parliament sits and am available on Mondays and Fridays in the constituency.

I am available by telephone, appointment, letter or e-mail to respond to enquiries from constituents. The parliamentary office in Galashiels is permanently staffed and constituents can attend any constituency surgery held with no appointment necessary.

Come and visit

The Scottish Parliament is your Parliament and I am very pleased to welcome visits from constituents and local groups. Please contact me to make arrangements.

Jeremy Purvis MSP works closely with Michael Moore MP.

The Westminster Parliament is responsible for "reserved matters".

The House of Commons

Reserved matters include:

- The UK economy and taxation
- International Trade
- Defence
- Consumer Affairs
- Social Security
- Representing the UK in the EU
- Child Support Agency
- UK Transport and Air
- Employment Law

Jeremy and Michael hold regular advice surgeries and share parliamentary offices in Galashiels. Information about the next advice surgery near you is available in the local press or by telephoning **01896 663650**.

You can write to Michael at the Parliamentary Office, 11 Island Street, Galashiels, TD1 1NZ or by E-mail at michaelmooremp@parliament.uk

