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1. FIRST MINISTER

The Scotsman 8 **Carney: Independent Scotland could share pound** A currency union between an independent Scotland and the rest of the UK is economically possible, the governor of the Bank of England has said - but he warned that it would require continued deep integration to function. Mark Carney said there were "political ramifications" to the kind of sharing of economic sovereignty he said would be "highly desirable for an effective currency union". But he said it was for

Daily Mail (Scotland) 8 **I'm no currency expert says SNP minister ...for the economy** AS the minister responsible for Scotland's economy, you would expect him to have a handle on the pennies and the pounds. But the SNP's Keith Brown admitted yesterday that he did not have a clue how long the pound would be used after independence, because he was 'not a currency expert'. Opponents jumped on the admission and described his comments as 'worrying'. The Economy Secretary claimed a separate Scottish currency

The Times (Scotland) 23 **Economic roadmap is a turning point for SNP** In 1986 Jim Sillars wrote a book called Scotland: The Case For Optimism. Only a few years earlier he had completed his progress from Labour MP to member of the Scottish National Party and this book was his attempt to chart that journey. It was also his attempt to justify what many Labour comrades saw as a betrayal. Written in the dark days of Thatcherism, Mr Sillars believed only independence

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 21 **Talks on labour shortages** Crunch talks on the impact of Brexit on Scotland's west coast fishermen will be held today between Western Isles MP Angus MacNeil and UK Immigration Minister Caroline Nokes. SNP Westminster fisheries spokesman Mr MacNeil said urgent action is needed with boats being left tied up at the pier due to crew shortages, particularly of Filipinos. Mr MacNeil will appeal to Ms Nokes to allow non-European Economic Area workers to fill

The Scotsman 1 **Scottish NHS facing Brexit 'disaster' in recruitment** Doctors' leaders have warned that "cutting off" the supply of European Union medics coming to work in Scotland after Brexit will have a "disastrous" impact on the NHS. The absence of progress on a deal is "deeply worrying", according to Peter Bennie, chairman of the British Medical Association (BMA) in Scotland. He will meet MEPs and fellow European doctors in Brussels today to step up calls for action. The

supply

The Scotsman 7 **Scots civic leaders launch declaration to prevent Brexit** A new Scottish civic campaign to stop Brexit has been launched, with a declaration signed by 40 leading figures from the world of film, academia, politics and the law. The Scotland For Europe declaration calls for the country's membership of the EU to be maintained and insists it is still not too late to "change course". Leading figures from across Scotland, including actor Brian Cox, former European Court judge Sir David

Metro (Scotland) 8 **Doctors in dark over post-Brexit work plans** DOCTORS' leaders have warned that 'virtually no progress' has been made towards finding a new system that will allow medical professionals to come and work in Scotland after Brexit. BMA Scotland said it was 'deeply concerning' there was 'absolutely no clarity' over what the UK's future immigration regime would be once the country departs from the EU. Being part of the EU currently allows doctors to 'practice freely' across its

The Herald 1 **OPINION: IAIN MACWHIRTER** Why a second Scottish vote on independence PAGE 11 is now inevitable

Daily Record 2 **INDY SCOTLAND COULD SHARE £ BANK** of England governor Mark Carney insisted yesterday that it would be economically possible for an independent Scotland to share the pound. But he said that didn't mean it would be "politically desirable". Carney reignited the currency debate while appearing before Westminster's treasury committee ahead of the publication of the SNP's growth commission report on Friday. It is expected to change the party's policy by backing the creation of a

The Scotsman 1 **SNP plans summer indyref offensive** Nicola Sturgeon says she will launch a debate based on "hope and ambition" as the SNP plans a summer independence offensive. The First Minister made the announcement as a report commissioned by the SNP to make the economic case for independence is set to be published. But the news came as economy secretary Keith Brown admitted he was unable to say what currency Scotland would be using over the next

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 18 **One love: Bombing victims are 'in our hearts forever'** The 22 people who lost their lives in the Manchester Arena atrocity have been remembered at an emotional national commemoration service to mark its first anniversary. Some 800 people attended the hourlong service at Manchester Cathedral including families or friends of the victims and also survivors of the May 22 terror attack. They were joined by frontline responders and volunteers who helped in the tragic aftermath of the end of

Daily Mail 15 **City of tears and tributes** MANCHESTER came to a standstill yesterday to mark the anniversary of the suicide bombing that killed 22 concert-goers. As dignitaries including Prince William and Theresa May attended a cathedral service at which the victims' names were read out, a minute's silence was marked across the city and beyond. Office workers stood outside in the sunshine, buses pulled over and even cranes on construction sites were pointed towards the Manchester Arena,

i (The paper for today) 6 **Silence and tears mark first anniversary of Arena atrocity** Millions of people across the UK united against terrorism as they remembered the Manchester victims of the worst suicide attack on British soil since the 2005 London bombings. Towns and cities fell silent during a nationwide minute's silence on the first anniversary of the Manchester Arena attack. Twenty-two people including an eight-year-old girl died and more than 800 suffered physical and psychological injuries when Salman Abedi detonated a suicide bomb

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 21 **Report counters Brexit 'despair'** A new report on an independent Scotland's economic prospects offers an alternative to the "despair of Brexit", Nicola Sturgeon has said. The first minister and SNP leader made the comments after receiving the long-awaited findings of her party's economic growth commission. Ms Sturgeon has already said the 354-page report, to be published on Friday, will "restart the debate" on Scottish independence. The SNP had tasked former party MSP Andrew Wilson

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 18 **'Exceptional' service praised by great-uncle** Barra victim Eilidh Macleod's great-uncle last night described the "touching" and "exceptional" ceremony. Eilidh, 14, was killed and her friend Laura MacIntyre was badly injured in the attack. Eilidh's parents Roddy and Marion Macleod and her sister were in attendance at yesterday's ceremony alongside Laura and her family. Councillor Donald Manford for Barra, Vatersay, Eriskay and South Uist - and Eilidh's great-uncle - was also in attendance to support the

The Scotsman 8 **New economy report focus of 'drive to leave the UK'** First Minister Nicola Sturgeon has announced a summer independence offensive, with the SNP hosting a series of National Assemblies to promote its economic blueprint for leaving the UK. The SNP leader made the announcement as one of her key lieutenants admitted he was unable to say what currency Scotland would be using over the next ten to 15 years. Economy secretary Keith Brown made the admission just before Ms Sturgeon

The Scotsman 25 **Just ignore SNP's latest indyref talk** There was, I suspect, an instant question from most people to First Minister Nicola Sturgeon's announcement at the weekend that she was keen to "re-start" the debate on Scottish independence - has there been a time when it stopped? Perhaps I'm being harsh. After the independence referendum in September 2014 there were, I recall, several weeks when the SNP agreed it shouldn't return to its favourite topic unless people

The Scotsman 9 **'In our hearts forever': Bombing victims remembered at service** The 22 people who lost their lives in the Manchester Arena atrocity, including Scots teenager Eilidh MacLeod, have been remembered at an emotional national commemoration service to mark its first anniversary. Some 800 people attended yesterday's hour-long service at Manchester Cathedral, including families or friends of the victims and also survivors of the 22 May terror attack. They were joined by frontline responders and volunteers who helped in the tragic

Daily Express (Scotland) 7 **Currency row is back as Nats gear up for big Indyref2 push** NICOLA Sturgeon will launch a major summer offensive in her fresh bid to break up Britain. The First Minister has announced a string of Nationalist events promoting her new economic blueprint for separation. It comes ahead of Friday's publication of the long-awaited SNP Growth Commission report, which is expected to recommend ditching the pound. Economy Secretary Keith Brown was ridiculed yesterday for admitting he was "not a currency expert". Mr

Daily Express (Scotland) 14 **Not inspiring confidence** AS Cabinet Secretary for the Economy, Jobs and Fair Work, Keith Brown's wide-ranging portfolio includes no fewer than 15 responsibilities including the "Scottish economy", "financial services", "trade and inward investment" and "increasing productivity". So it was deeply troubling to hear Mr Brown admit yesterday that he is "not a currency expert" as he floundered in the face of some gentle questioning from members of a Holyrood committee. Quizzed by Conservative

Daily Express (Scotland) 44 **Other leaders should follow example of Ruth Davidson** RUTH Davidson's speech to the Policy Exchange in London, as a summary of the last 11 years, the current situation and her way forward, was excellent. She cautioned against complacency, especially since Alastair Darling, Jim Murphy and even Michael Gove were writing off the threat of Indyref2. They hugely miss the point. Historians will call the period since 2007 Scotland's lost years. The next three will be blighted by Nicola

The Times (Scotland) 16 **New plan for economy will set stage to hold indyref2** Scottish Political Editor Nicola Sturgeon is to go on a summer offensive to sell a new economic blueprint for Scottish independence to SNP activists. The first minister intends to take the long-awaited report of the SNP's growth commission round the country for a series of roadshows. These will allow party members to give feedback and help kickstart the debate on independence ahead of Ms Sturgeon's announcement on a potential referendum

Daily Express (Scotland) 44 **Even Sturgeon seems lukewarm on Indyref2** I AM of the belief that Nicola Sturgeon is reviving the debate on independence for cosmetic purposes, to keep the faithful in line, and has little or no intention of seriously asking permission for Indyref2. Time and circumstances are not on her side. Having said that I sincerely hope that our media will take her to task and demand

detailed answers about her Growth Commission Report. Sturgeon has deflected on

Daily Express (Scotland) 4 **A city united in the face of sickening cowardice** THE Prime Minister spoke out in defiance against terrorism yesterday on the first anniversary of the Manchester Arena bomb. As Theresa May joined Prince William at a moving candle-lit memorial service at Manchester Cathedral she branded Salman Abedi's attack "an act of sickening cowardice". The Islamic State-inspired killer murdered 22 adults and children - the youngest Saffie-Rose Roussos aged just eight - with a suicide bomb at an Ariana Grande

Daily Mail (Scotland) 16 **With the SNP stuck in a constitutional dead end, our roads are now worst in UK** SOME weeks ago, I asked my Facebook followers their opinion on the state of the roads in the west of Scotland. The outpouring of responses was enormous and the issue sparked a frenzy of debate and contributions, but I was particularly struck by one comment left by a user: 'In Scotland we no longer drive on the left of the road, we drive on what is left of the road.'

The Times 16 **I'm positively uplifting, May declares after 'joyless' jibe** Theresa May has hit back at claims that the Tories are too dour, telling cabinet colleagues that she can be "positive and uplifting". The prime minister was stung by criticism by Ruth Davidson, the Scottish Tory leader, who said in a speech this week that the Conservatives look "joyless, authoritarian and hectoring". Ms Davidson attended a session of the cabinet yesterday morning, but was not invited to speak and

The Times (Scotland) 37 **Asserting sovereignty is a problem when making the world a better place** On Friday the Scottish National Party will reveal, at long last, the conclusions of its growth commission, chaired by Andrew Wilson, the economist and one-time MSP. Launched in September 2016, after the shock of the Brexit referendum, it was asked to submit initial findings on how to boost economic growth and improve Scotland's public finances to Nicola Sturgeon, the party leader, by the end of that year. Nearly a year

The Times (Scotland) 1 **Cheery May puts Davidson in her place over 'dour Tories' jibe** Theresa May has slapped down Ruth Davidson and insisted to the cabinet that she can be "positive and uplifting" after the leader of the Scottish Conservatives said that Tories were too dour. The prime minister was stung by criticism from Ms Davidson in a speech that the Conservatives looked "joyless, authoritarian and hectoring". As Nicola Sturgeon began preparations yesterday for a summer campaign to reinvigorate independence with a series of

The Sun (Scotland) 8 **NICOLA UPS THE AUNTIE** NICOLA Sturgeon faced fury last night after she insisted it was "a fact" that the SNP doesn't trust the BBC. The First Minister backed a Nat MP's claim the Beeb needed to regain the confidence "it lost in 2014" after the indy poll. Responding to the comment, Ms Sturgeon's office insisted: "It's simply a statement of fact." But rivals branded the attack part of an "SNP war" on anyone who

The Sun (Scotland) 2 **Indy plan 'will fight despair'** NICOLA Sturgeon last night claimed her rebooted indy plan will help the country turn away from Brexit "despair". The First Minister said the Growth Commission study allows Scotland to instead focus on "achieving our full potential". She added: "The report does not shy away from Scotland's challenges — it looks at how we can address them. "It heralds a start of a debate based on hope and ambition, rather than

The Sun (Scotland) 10 **Indy fight's 2nd helping** THE Nats must bolster the Scots economy on an unprecedented scale to find the recipe for IndyRef2, an expert claimed last night. Stuart McIntyre warned of the massive task facing the SNP as they prepare to reveal the key ingredients for a fresh breakaway bid. He highlighted the challenge of increasing Scotland's £165 billion a year output, or gross domestic product, as North Sea revenues plummeted. But he said a booming

The Sun (Scotland) 14 **CITY OF TEARS** THE nation fell silent yesterday to mark the first anniversary of the Manchester Arena bombing. The city's streets were filled with people paying respects as First Minister Nicola Sturgeon, PM Theresa May and Prince William joined families of the 22 killed for the service at Manchester Cathedral. Thousands of stones were handed out to mourners — each bearing the bee emblem which once symbolised the area's hard work and was

Daily Mail (Scotland) 16 **They're no experts!** NICOLA Sturgeon must be holding her head in despair at the latest breakout of honesty (or stupidity) from her front bench team. Yesterday her Economy Minister Keith Brown admitted he's 'not a currency expert'. This, after Transport Minister Humza Yousaf conceded that he is not an expert on transport and Finance Secretary Derek Mackay saying he didn't know what the Laffer Curve was. What next? Health Secretary Shona Robison admitting

Daily Mail (Scotland) 19 **Me? Angry at sliding education standards?** HE is known for being one of the more mild-mannered members of Nicola Sturgeon's Cabinet. But Education Secretary John Swinney showed a steelier side during a visit to a school yesterday. Wearing a serious expression, displaying tense body language and clasping his hands, Mr Swinney perfectly mirrored a description of the tell-tale signs of annoyance emblazoned on a whiteboard behind him. The other signs listed as part of the lesson

The Guardian 8 **Manchester unites in grief and music to commemorate victims of arena terror attack** Survivors of the Manchester Arena suicide bombing and the families of those who died attended a remembrance service yesterday at the city's cathedral on the anniversary of the attack. They were joined by Prince William and Theresa May, and a minute's silence was observed nationally to remember the 22 victims of the atrocity. The Rt Rev Dr David Walker, the bishop of Manchester, told the gathering the city would never

Daily Mail (Scotland) 8 **Sturgeon's summer push to try to break up Britain** NICOLA Sturgeon is set to kick off a summer offensive aimed at breaking up Britain with the publication of her party's Growth Commission report later this week. The First Minister said 'national assemblies' will be organised over the summer to let SNP members debate the report's three main sections: growth opportunities; public finances; and currency options for an independent Scotland. The SNP claims that the Growth Commission report - titled

Daily Express (Scotland) 44 **Canny Scots will not be fooled by SNP's report** SO Nicola Sturgeon is preparing to restart the separation question, which "is an opportunity to turn our minds to a debate that's all about hope, optimism and ambition for Scotland". In other words, the separatist side has not progressed beyond wing and a prayer, pie in the sky fantasy. The vocabulary of nationalism gives it all away, "hope, optimism and ambition". There is nothing concrete, no appreciation of the bread

Metro (Scotland) 4 **LOVE TRIUMPHS OVER HATRED** FRIENDS and relatives of the Manchester Arena bomb attack victims paid tribute yesterday on the first anniversary of the terrorist atrocity. The Duke of Cambridge and Theresa May were among those who paid homage at a special ceremony at Manchester Cathedral before a minute's silence was observed. Thousands of well-wishers gathered in Albert Square a year to the day suicide bomber Salman Abedi launched his attack that killed 22 people

Metro (Scotland) 14 **What's Gove talking about?** Conservative MP Michael Gove has stood up with a straight face and said 'Brexit has strengthened unionism' and Britain has also become 'more welcoming to migration' (Metro, Tue). Whatever he is smoking, I'll have some of it. Morag, Glasgow ? Mr Gove stated that since the Brexit result in 2016 people have been more welcoming and friendlier to those from the EU. What planet does he live in? Racial aggravated

The Herald 23 **New Scottish policy head for Federation of Small Businesses** EDINBURGH independent retailer Andrew McRae has been unveiled as the new policy chair of the Federation of Small Businesses in Scotland, succeeding the long-serving Andy Willox. Mr Willox, who was described yesterday by First Minister Nicola Sturgeon as a "tireless champion of local business", is stepping down from his role at the FSB after 16 years. Mr McRae and his wife, Alice, employ 20 people in their Museum Context shops

The Herald 12 **Let us hope new report will not be 'garbage in, garbage out' again** TO loud applause Nicola Sturgeon told 500 guests at a fundraising event in Glasgow in November that she would be "unveiling" the party's Growth Commission report in the New Year (initiated in 2016) setting out a fresh economic case for independence. Sensibly, she told the audience that issues like fiscal policy, inclusive growth and currency would be the key elements covered in the 400 page report. Hopefully then, the old

The Herald 12 **Economy lies central to any case for Yes** T'S the economy stupid, Bill Clinton famously said. And, of course, he was right. It was people's self-interest - how would independence affect my family and my pocket - which was the determining factor back in 2014 when the middle ground decided to stick by and large with the devil it knew rather than take a new direction. As the former Labour chancellor Alistair Darling put it earlier this week

The Daily Telegraph (Scotland) 1 **Scottish currency 'to cost £300bn'** AN INDEPENDENT Scotland would have to find up to £300billion to prop up its own currency, the country's most eminent macroeconomist has warned, as Nicola Sturgeon prepares to unveil her new economic blueprint for separation today. Professor Ronald MacDonald, research professor of macroeconomics and international finance at Glasgow University's Adam Smith Business School, said tens of billions of pounds in foreign exchange reserves would have to be raised to protect

The Herald 17 **Women's Work in Glasgow** A NEW solo exhibition by Edinburgh artist, Rachael Rebus, will explore the female form in contemporary Scottish culture. Women's Work includes portraits of political activist Mary Barbour - best known for her leadership role in the Glasgow Rent Strikes of 1915. Also featured are Scottish Makar Jackie Kay; First Ministe, Nicola Sturgeon and Monica Lennon MSP. Women's Work exhibits at the Six Foot Gallery in Glasgow's Pentagon Centre from June

Daily Mail (Scotland) 51 **Divisive drive for Indyref 2 can only damage Scotland** WITH the long overdue report from the SNP Growth Commission finally about to be made public, Nicola Sturgeon is preparing her favourite hobby-horse for another outing and says she wants to 'restart the debate on independence'. Talk about flogging a dead horse. Most of us remember nearly three years of debate before the 2014 referendum, accompanied by the now infamous White Paper running to more than 600 pages, so it

The Herald 1 **SNP report lays out 'economic renaissance' post UK** TALES THE long-awaited SNP report on the renewed case for independence will set out an optimistic strategy for Scotland's "economic renaissance". Reg Mitchell, The 354-page document, due to be published by the SNP's Sustainable Growth Commission on Friday, will offer an outlook based on hope and ambition compared to the "despair of 14 and's Brexit", declared Nicola Sturgeon, who commissioned the report in the wake of the 2016 EU referendum

The Herald 9 **Tributes paid to the 22 victims of Manchester bombing one year on** THE 22 people who lost their lives in the Manchester Arena atrocity have been remembered at an emotional national commemoration service to mark its first anniversary. Some 800 people attended the hour-long service at Manchester Cathedral including families of the victims - including that of Barra teenager Eilidh MacLeod - as well as survivors of the May 22 terror attack. They were joined by front-line responders and volunteers who helped

The Herald 11 **Why a second Scottish vote on independence is now inevitable** EVERYONE is either talking independence this week, or trying not to talk about it. On Friday, Nicola Sturgeon will finally deliver the SNP's long-awaited Growth Commission blueprint for independence 2.0. The Scottish Tory leader, Ruth Davidson, tried to upstage it in a speech at the liberal Tory think tank, Onward, in which she supported the Union, but conceded that the highly-centralised London-centric version, is no longer "fit for purpose". This

Daily Record 2 **Report 'offers alternative to Brexit despair'** A NEW report on an independent Scotland's economic prospects offers an alternative to the "despair of Brexit", Nicola Sturgeon said yesterday. The First Minister commented after receiving the findings of the SNP's economic growth commission. Sturgeon has already said the 354-page report, which will be published on Friday, will "restart the debate" on independence. She added yesterday: "At a time when economic thinking and debate is heavily focused on how

Daily Mail (Scotland) 15 **City of tears and tributes** MANCHESTER came to a standstill yesterday to mark the anniversary of the suicide bombing that killed 22 concert-goers. As dignitaries including Prince William and Theresa May attended a cathedral service at which the victims' names were read out, a minute's silence was marked across the city and beyond. Office workers stood outside in the

sunshine, buses pulled over and even cranes on construction sites were pointed towards the Manchester Arena,

Daily Record 42 **Texts** IN REPLY to reader Lynda Kyle, myself and millions of other fans around the world want the Rolling Stones to play for as long as possible. I can't wait for Murrayfield. Mick Prater, Blackwood, Lanarkshire WHAT is Britain coming to if we're considering giving prisoners the vote? They will be getting called for jury duty next. Marie Santiago YES, I want independence - not for our country but from Nicola

Daily Record 42 **Worthwhile fight** INSTEAD of Nicola Sturgeon fighting for independence yet again, maybe she could do something useful and become a volunteer helper for the Soldiers Off The Street charity. It is wrong that these former servicemen and women fought for our country only to be rewarded by being left out on the street. There are 218 ex-MoD houses at the former HMS Gannet in Monkton, Ayrshire, lying empty since it closed down,

The National (Scotland) 10 **Scots campaigners start new push to stop Brexit** A GROUP of influential Scottish celebrities, academics, charity bosses and business people are launching a campaign to try to halt Brexit. Backers of the push include the actor Brian Cox, the historian Tom Devine, and third-sector umbrella organisation the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations. The group will publish a declaration this morning which claims that "the best future for our community is to remain within the European Union". It says: "Scotland

Daily Record 8 **Not on the money** CONFUSED on currency? No wonder. Yesterday, the Governor of the Bank of England Mark Carney had his say on a currency union, as he agreed that the SNP's 2014 version of independence with Scotland sharing sterling with the rest of the UK was economically viable. Politically possible? That's another question entirely. The SNP's Growth Commission will enlighten us on what the nationalist currency plan mark II will look like. It

The National (Scotland) 8 **BfS launches grassroots campaign to win indyref2** WANT to know how to convince No voters that independence is the best way forward for Scotland? Teaching that is the aim of an innovative scheme launched by Business for Scotland (BfS). Fifty Yes group leaders from around Scotland were in Glasgow last night as part of a drive to train 1000 activists ahead of a second independence referendum. Key influencers at a grassroots level travelled from as far as

The National (Scotland) 26 **Get ready to counter the same arguments** THE No campaign is in full operational service once again. Uppermost in Scots' memories should be the famous American presidential caveat that "you can't fool all the people all the time", together with the promises of

The National (Scotland) 16 **Work under way on BBC news flagship** BBC Scotland's new hour-long flagship news programme is currently being piloted under the name The Nine, with journalist Glen Campbell as its main anchor. The National has been told editors at the corporation's headquarters north of the Border want to give the show - which will be broadcast at 9pm on the new BBC Scotland channel - a modern and "conversational" feel in a concerted bid to attract younger viewers.

The National (Scotland) 14 **Union wackery: We'll show those ghastly Nats just like we did in 2014** MEMO TO TEAM 2014: STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AS you may know, Nicola Sturgeon seems to be preparing for another referendum on Scottish independence. We had hoped to see the last of her and her woad-begone rebels, but this Brexit business has got their blood up once more, what. Thus, I propose we start putting the old Better Together gang back together. By Jove we had some great times during the last

Daily Record 12 **Sturgeon attends service** THE Scottish victim of the bombing was in the thoughts of First Minister Nicola Sturgeon as she attended yesterday's service in Manchester. Eilidh Macleod, 14, from Barra in the Outer Hebrides, had travelled from the island with her friend Laura McIntyre. Laura survived but was seriously injured and spent months in hospital recovering. Sturgeon said: "I hope today's memorial service brings some comfort to the bereaved and to those who

The National (Scotland) 27 **Anti - Tory views are rarely heard on BBC shows** BBC is failing in its

duty to Scotland, SNP tell watchdog The BBC, an organisation in perpetual denial. An organisation that pays less for football in the whole of Scotland than it pays the presenters of Match of the

The National (Scotland) 26 **This time around we will know the Unionist promises are all false** WHO could be surprised that the "Better Together" Unionist gang leaders slunk off to London to dictate to us from afar that we Scots don't want another say in our future? Following Theresa May's Hobson's choice of taking whatever passes for a Brexit "deal," doesn't it seem the erstwhile Team Davidson, Murphy and Darling have taken her lead in their "Scots don't want a say and therefore we retain the

2. DFM, EDUCATION AND SKILLS

Daily Record 20 **Schools get £50m to aid poorer pupils** SCOTLAND'S schools will share £50million to help close the poverty-related attainment gap in the next academic year. Education Secretary John Swinney said nine local authorities and 74 schools were allocated funding from the Scottish Attainment Challenge. Glasgow, at £8.05million, will receive most, ahead of £7.5million in North Lanarkshire and £6million in Dundee. Swinney said improving the education and life chances of young people was "the defining mission of this government".

3. JUSTICE

The Herald 11 **Drug addicts need help - not another slap in the face** LAST year, many of us were shocked when news emerged that twice as many people were dying from drug use compared to a decade ago. Particularly striking was the stark difference in the figures between men and women: 241 per cent more women died because of drugs in 2016 than 2006, while the rise was 77 per cent for men in the same period. It's in that light, then, that

The Daily Telegraph (Scotland) 2 **Scottish MPs tell judge of option to halt Brexit** A JUDGE has been told there is an alternative to Theresa May's "deal or no deal" approach to leaving the EU that could see Brexit unilaterally halted. Aidan O'Neill QC, representing a group of pro-Remain politicians, raised the prospect at Scotland's highest civil court of MPs instructing the UK Government to withdraw its Article 50 notification. He said the approach could be adopted if judges at the European Court of

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 14 **Improvements to call-handling in wake of review** Police call-handling has continued to improve and is now "better placed than ever" to serve Scotland's communities, the justice secretary has told MSPs. Michael Matheson said all recommendations from a major review of the service have been completed, with the force revising its staffing model for control rooms and improving training and IT systems. A new dedicated quality assurance unit and "notable incidents" process have also been put in place

The Times (Scotland) 8 **Victims' families still waiting for M9 crash inquiry** Concerns have been raised that an inquiry into a crash on the M9 three years ago has still not been arranged. John Yuill and Lamara Bell lay undiscovered for three days after their car veered off the M9 near Stirling in 2015. Sightings of their wrecked car had been reported to a police control room. Yuill, 28, died at the scene and Bell, 25, died after four days in hospital.

Daily Express (Scotland) 7 **New plan to widen scope of tagging** PLANS for a huge expansion of electronic tagging could have "significant" costs, MSPs heard yesterday. Justice Secretary Michael Matheson has tabled radical legislation which would see a new GPS monitoring system used for the first time. Electronic tags are currently used to ensure offenders stay within their home for certain periods. But the new technology could ensure those wearing them do not enter specific locations. This could, for example, prevent

The Scotsman 11 **Hijab-wearing officer the target of racist abuse** The first member of Police Scotland to wear a specially designed hijab has been subjected to racist and Islamophobic abuse by online trolls. Aleena Rafi, an unpaid special constable, appeared in a YouTube video to talk about her short time with the force. She is the first recruit to adopt the official head covering, which was

introduced as part of the uniform in 2016. A link to the video on

Daily Mail (Scotland) 12 **Watchdog says police call-handling centres could still do better** POLICE call centres have 'stabilised' their performance but still face issues with staff training and IT investment, according to a watchdog. A review of Police Scotland's 999 and 101 call-handling system was launched in 2015 after the deaths John Yuill and Lamara Bell, who lay undiscovered for days after a crash on the M9 despite calls to police. It reported weaknesses in the force's approach to implementing its new national

Metro (Scotland) 7 **Police call-handling is revamped after errors** POLICE Scotland's call handling is now 'better placed than ever' to serve communities, the justice secretary told MSPs yesterday. Michael Matheson said all recommendations from a major review of the service have been completed, with the force revising its staffing model for control rooms and improving training and IT systems. The review by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland followed the deaths in 2015 of John Yuill and Lamara

The Scotsman 4 **Police call handling has 'stabilised'** Police call-handling performance has "stabilised", with recommendations from a major review now complete, according to an updated report. Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland (HMICS) found Police Scotland is "strongly committed" to providing a good service and that staff morale and confidence has improved since an initial review of call-handling in 2015 in the wake of the deaths of John Yuill and Lamara Bell. All the recommendations made in

Daily Mail (Scotland) 5 **Now police cordon off memorial to witch in hunt for Annalise killer** THE brother of a woman whose 'suspicious' death is being investigated by police was remanded in custody yesterday after being charged with fraud. The body of Annalise Johnstone, 22, was discovered beside a rural Perthshire road on May 10 - 80 miles from her Ayrshire home. Jordon Johnstone appeared at Dundee Sheriff Court accused of a 'bogus workman scam' at a cottage two miles from where Miss Johnstone's body was

Daily Record 4 **After spending hours writing to Parliament about our 5-year ordeal with the police, Bev took unwell. I said I hoped she wasn't having a heart attack. Her last words were 'I hope not'** A HEALTHY mum died suddenly after she'd compiled a damning report for MSPs about her partner's five-year battle with Police Scotland.

The National (Scotland) 16 **Police call handling improving, says report** POLICE Scotland's call handling is getting better, according to a wide-ranging review, commissioned in the days after the deaths of Lamara Bell and John Yuill. The report from Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland (HMICS), says the 30 recommendations it made in 2015, following the horrific car crash, have all now been met. However, it adds that more work still needs to be done. The car in which Yuill and

4. HEALTH AND SPORT

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 8 **Mental health checks take up to three years** Mental health patients in the Highlands are facing up to a three-year wait for clinical psychology assessments, a north MSP has claimed. Labour's health spokesman David Stewart said he had recently taken up a case of a constituent who has already had to wait two years and nine months for a psychology services assessment. The situation for psychology patients, he claims, was being compounded by the fact New Craig's psychiatric

The Scotsman 12 **Marking 70 years of care: Health secretary launches countdown to NHS birthday milestone** Health secretary Shona Robison visited the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh yesterday to launch the six-week countdown to the 70th anniversary of the NHS in Scotland. Ms Robison met Lisa Shoate and her second child Findlay, who was born at the Birth Centre yesterday. The minister was also due to meet Gavin Scott, who was born on the day the NHS was formed on 5 July, 1948.

The Scotsman 6 **Damning report reveals full extent of NHS Tayside troubles** The shocking extent

bad financial and management practices at a troubled NHS board have been unveiled in a damning new audit report. NHS Tayside has been under fire in recent months after it emerged that bosses spent £3.6 million of charity endowment cash on IT support when it should have gone to patient care. An independent review of its finances makes grim reading, with suggestions that information was withheld from

The Times (Scotland) 15 **Cash crunch 'undermining elderly care'** Cash shortages are undermining efforts to keep elderly patients out of hospital, Scotland's care boards have said. Three quarters of the new authorities, set up to ensure that frail patients receive better care at home, went overbudget in the last financial year. Just seven out of the 31 boards, which came into force in 2016, were in the black at the end of March and together the new bodies racked-up

The Herald 10 **Lack of open governance, report on scandal-hit health board says** THERE was a lack of "open and transparent governance" in the financial management of a scandal-hit health board, a report has found. In April, this newspaper revealed that NHS Tayside had been using endowment funds to prop up general running costs, prompting the resignation of its then chairman. The board had agreed to use £3.6 million from its endowment fund, which is made up of donations from the public or

The Guardian 27 **Scotland leads the way in bringing together health and social care services** Integration of NHS and social care services is commonly seen as the way to achieve seamless support for the individual and deliver better value for money, but progress in England has been patchy. Sceptics of the value of integration, at least structurally, point to the fact that Northern Ireland has had unified health and social care commissioning since 1973, yet still struggles to demonstrate its benefits. Scotland, however, has taken

Daily Record 18 **Celebrating 70 years of the NHS** SHONA Robison has called on people to share their stories and memories of health care at the launch of the celebrations to mark the run-up to the 70th anniversary of the NHS. The Health Secretary met Gavin Scott, 69, who was born on the day the NHS was formed in July 1948, on a visit to the Lothian Birth Centre yesterday. She said the anniversary was the "perfect opportunity to

The National (Scotland) 15 **Doctors' leader's EU staff mission** THE chair of the British Medical Association Scotland has expressed "deep concerns" on future NHS staffing over lack of progress on Brexit arrangements. Dr Peter Bennie spoke out today ahead of a visit to Brussels to discuss the

Daily Record 8 **TORY BREXIT SHAMBLES WILL DAMAGE NHS** SCOTLAND'S leading doctors have condemned Theresa May's shambolic Brexit for putting the health service at risk. The chairman of the British Medical Association in Scotland warned that confusion about immigration could cut off a vital supply of doctors and nurses. And a hard-hitting report by medical experts in Glasgow exposed the devastating impact of quitting the EU without a good deal. The two warnings came as civic leaders launch a

5. RURAL ECONOMY AND CONNECTIVITY

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 42 **Entrepreneurs gather to accelerate growth** The first in a series of events featuring leading entrepreneurs from a range of industry sectors is taking place in Inverness today. Development agency Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE) has teamed up with member network and leadership development organisation Entrepreneurial Scotland to run the programme. The initiative is aimed at accelerating growth and competitiveness among businesses from throughout the Highlands and Islands. Today's event at HIE's An Lochran headquarters on

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 39 **Ferry in service after the summer** A new ferry for the year-round short sea crossing of the Pentland Firth will not come into service until after the summer. Pentland Ferries had hoped to unveil its new 279ft catamaran on the route between St Margaret's Hope on South Ronaldsay in Orkney and Gills Bay in Caithness by next month. But boss Andrew Banks said the schedule had to be put back due to delays at the Asian

6. ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND LAND REFORM

The Scotsman 26 **Edinburgh Fudge Kitchen celebrates 20 years of the sweet taste of success** It has been 20 years since the Edinburgh Fudge Kitchen opened its doors, importing an American concept to Scotland of fresh, whipping cream fudge made to an authentic 1830s recipe, and introducing the pioneering idea of "retail theatre". The shop still makes fudge by hand in full view of the customer, using traditional techniques involving copper cauldrons of bubbling fudge poured onto marble and "loafed and slabbed" using spatulas

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 3 **Red stags die entwined in washed-up fishing rope** Two red stags died after becoming entangled in discarded rope on a beach on the island of Rum. The grim discovery has highlighted the impact of marine litter on wildlife, according to Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) and a north MSP campaigning against plastic pollution in the seas. The beasts became snarled up in fishing rope and were bound together by their antlers. Kate Forbes MSP said: "It is heartbreaking to

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 4 **Poachers target mussels in hunt for rare pearl** Large numbers of protected shellfish have been illegally poached in the north-west Highlands. The illegal opening of several dozen pearl mussels is believed to have taken place in Loch Assynt over the past two months, caused by opportunists acting on the off-chance of finding a rare pearl. In order to identify if a pearl is present, a freshwater pearl mussel must be opened, which kills the endangered species. In an

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 29 **Our wildlife face wasteful deaths** Think of Highland deer and minds might drift naturally to those magnificent Monarch of the Glen images that have been immortalised by many artists and photographers. But distressing images in today's P&J show the other side of the picture - and it is a harrowing scene. In one picture two red stags are locked together in death - brutally bound by a washed-up fishing rope that became entangled in their

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 1 **Monarch of glen to stag of the dump** Heartbreaking pictures of dead red deer on the isle of rum and a proud stag with his antlers wrapped in old fish net have revealed the true impact of marine litter on wildlife. two stags died after their antlers were snarled up in washed-up fishing rope, while another monarch of the glen was captured with a distressing crown of rubbish on his head. Scottish Natural Heritage, who manage the Rum

The Scotsman 12 **Poachers kill endangered pearl mussels** Dozens of freshwater pearl mussels have been killed by poachers hoping to find the precious gems. The poaching happened at some point in the last two months in Assynt in the Highlands, according to Assynt Field Club. The club said the shellfish were forced open in the "off chance" one or more might contain a pearl. Scottish Natural Heritage has warned that freshwater pearl mussels, which are a protected species,

The Scotsman 30 **Better nature - the community trust doing a power of good for locals** Following the creation of Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park in 2002, residents of Callander - the area's largest town - established the Callander Community Development Trust (CCDT). The objective of the trust was to regenerate the town whilst benefiting the community and region. Following consultation with local people, the trust put together a community action plan. The trust's board recognised that the area's natural resources could generate

The Herald 6 **Charity claims hare cull is 'persecution' of the species** UP to 38,000 mountain hares are killed a year in Scotland, it has been revealed, as a charity blamed mass culls by shooting estates and called for an end to "persecution" of the species. Onekind, the Scottish animal campaigns charity, also accused Scottish Natural Heritage of conspiring to keep the issue under wraps, and hold ministers back from taking action over the issue. The charity said the number of animals

7. CULTURE, TOURISM AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

The Herald 3 **Painting of murdered Tsar to go on display for the first time** FOR more than 100 years the haunting image of the last Tsar, in Scottish regalia, has hung in an officers' mess in

Edinburgh Castle. Now the portrait of Nicholas II, murdered by the Bolsheviks 100 years ago, is to be displayed in public for the first time. The painting, from 1902, shows the Tsar depicted in the full dress uniform of his rank of Colonel in Chief of the

The Scotsman 2 **Picture perfect: Tsar goes on display at National Galleries** 0 A rare portrait of the last Tsar of Russia, Nicholas II, dressed as a Scottish soldier went on display at National Galleries of Scotland yesterday. The portrait, by Valentin Serov, is on loan from the Royal Scots Dragoon Guards Regimental Trust.

Metro (Scotland) 20 **THE number of households in [...]** THE number of households in Scotland reached 2.46million in 2017 as the population rises and more people live alone. Data from National Records of Scotland shows more than 900,000 are single-person households, while 79,200 of the 2.6million homes were empty.

The Scotsman 10 **More Scots choosing to live on their own** The increase in numbers of Scots who find themselves living on their own shows no sign of slowing, with more than a third of households north of the Border now occupied by just one person. Figures published yesterday by the National Records of Scotland (NRS) revealed there were more than 900,000 people living alone, up from 722,000 in 2001. The number of households containing three or more people has declined

The Herald 10 **More people living alone, says national survey** THE number of households in Scotland has reached a record high as the population increases and more people live alone, according to new figures. Data from National Records of Scotland (NRS) shows a six per cent rise in households over the past decade, up 145,000 to 2.46 million in 2017. More than a third are single-person households, with just over 900,000 Scots living alone. NRS said the growth in households

The Scotsman 7 **SNP attacks BBC news reporting** The SNP has been accused of fresh attempts to "undermine" the BBC after claiming the corporation's news service lacks "context" and has lost the trust of many Scots. But the claims have been branded "sinister" and "grievance politics" by opponents. SNP media spokeswoman Hannah Bardell makes the claims in an Ofcom consultation response on the future of the BBC. The MP says the Scottish Government does not get the same

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 21 **New campaign aims to keep Scotland in the EU** An Aberdeen University professor is among dozens of leading academics, activists and politicians to back a new campaign against Brexit. Professor Michael Smith, the university's chairman in international relations, is one of more than 40 people to sign the new "Scotland for Europe" declaration. Launching today, the group will declare: "We hereby commit to work with and support people and organisations of all political views and of none to maintain

The Scotsman 7 **Davidson tells 'glum' Tories to lighten up** Downing Street has rejected any suggestion that Theresa May's government is "dour" and "joyless" after Scottish Tory leader Ruth Davidson called on her party to lighten up. At the launch of a new centre-right think-tank on Monday, Ms Davidson said her party had to overhaul its image if it was to have a hope of attracting young voters who are increasingly shunning the Tories. Only 9 per cent of 25-

The Herald 2 **Brexit court hearing told challenge is not hypothetical** A CROSS-PARTY legal challenge to the UK Government on Brexit is not "hypothetical or academic", Scotland's highest civil court has heard. At the Court of Session, lawyers acting for nine politicians contested claims the action was "premature" and "incompetent", and would undermine parliamentary privilege. The group is seeking a ruling from the European Court of Justice (ECJ) on whether the withdrawal process triggered under Article 50 of the Treaty on

The Daily Telegraph (Scotland) 10 **SNP accused of trying to quash scrutiny with complaints against BBC** THE SNP was yesterday accused of producing a "greatest hits of nationalist grievance towards the BBC" after submitting a litany of complaints about its news output to the broadcast regulator. Labour and the Tories said the Scottish Nationalists' "self-absorbed" submission to Ofcom was part of a campaign to undermine the BBC and quash scrutiny. The SNP claimed the corporation has failed to regain the trust of viewers since its supposedly

The Scotsman 4 **Branson's warning to capital over tourist tax bid** Sir Richard Branson has warned that Edinburgh risks chasing tourists away to Glasgow if it goes it alone in bringing in a tourist tax. Speaking during a visit to the site of his new Virgin Hotel in Edinburgh's Old Town, he said there was a "serious danger" it could deter potential visitors if it introduced such a scheme in isolation. Sir Richard, who hosted a party for industry leaders to

The Scotsman 1 **Branson's warning on tourist tax** Edinburgh risks chasing tourists away if it introduces a controversial tourist tax, Sir Richard Branson has warned. The tycoon was in the capital to visit the site of his new Virgin Hotel, which will become the first in Europe when it opens in 2020. The billionaire also revealed his ambitions to expand the new brand to Glasgow. FULL STORY, PAGE 4

8. ECONOMY, JOBS AND FAIR WORK

Daily Express (Scotland) 1 **SCANDAL OF OVER-65S FORCED TO WORK ON SOARING** numbers of Scots are delaying retirement and holding on to their full-time jobs to make ends meet. Last year, 84,700 people 65 or older were in work, almost double the figure recorded a decade ago. More than half said they were simply "not ready to stop" working at 65, sc* while almost 10 per cent said their skills were needed by employers. But a quarter stayed on for financial

Metro (Scotland) 1 **MORE SCOTS THAN EVER ARE IN WORK** EMPLOYMENT in Scotland reached its highest level last year, with a rising number of over-65s still in work. A total of 2,618,100 people aged 16 years and over were in employment in Scotland in 2017 - the highest level since records began. This included 84,700 people aged 65 and over who were still working, almost twice as many as there were ten years ago. The figures, revealed in a Scottish

The Sun (Scotland) 2 **OLDIE WAGE PENSIONERS** THE number of working pensioners has doubled in a decade as more people put off their retirement. Nearly 85,000 over-65s were still in jobs last year — almost twice the 2007 figure. Some workers claimed they couldn't afford to quit with one in eight admitting they needed their wages to buy "essential items". And six per cent were trying to boost their pension pots before retiring. But more than half

The Times (Scotland) 40 **BP pulls plug on gasfield plans amid new American sanctions** American sanctions in Iran have forced BP to shelve plans to drill in a North Sea gasfield co-owned by the nation's national oil company. The oil major said that it had deferred work on the Rhum gasfield, 240 miles northeast of Aberdeen, while it sought "clarity on the potential impact on the field of recent US government decisions regarding Iran". BP was in the process of selling its 50 per

The Herald 10 **Greater diversity drives business forward** MORE than 200 individuals from the public, private, third and charity sectors came together for Scotland's second Diversity Conference, organised by The Herald and GenAnalytics in association with Standard Life Aberdeen. Participants in yesterday's event heard about how greater diversity drives business performance and supports sustainable economic growth. Recent figures suggest individuals with a disability are less likely to be employed than able bodied people, while ethnic minorities are still

The National (Scotland) 8 **UK's trade deficit would be 3% greater without whisky** THE UK's trade deficit would be almost 3% greater without Scotch whisky exports, according to new analysis. The deficit reduced from £166 billion in 2016 to £153bn last year, research

9. COMMUNITIES, SOCIAL SECURITY AND EQUALITIES

Daily Record 30 **£7.5m for poor kids** A FUND of £7.5million has been set up to help tackle child poverty. Communities, charities, health boards and councils can bid for a share. The cash is being put up by the Scottish Government and the Hunter Foundation. Communities Secretary Angela Constance said: "We want to ensure the best outcome for children."

10. EUROPE

Daily Record 2 **Scotch whisky cut UK trade deficit by £4bn** THE UK's trade deficit would be almost

three per cent greater without Scotch whisky exports, analysis shows. The deficit reduced from £166billion in 2016 to £153billion last year, according to research from the Scotch Whisky Association (SWA). The value of Scotch whisky exports increased by 8.9 per cent last year to a record high of £4.37billion, the latest figures show. That means without whisky exports, the deficit would have been

11. YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE 2018

Irvine Times 19 **North Ayrshire Provost Ian Clarkson writes: Amazing work by our young people** OA1 Q in 4-V>Â« VrtnxÂ» V\iU />1T 2018 is the Year of Young People and I've had the pleasure of seeing first-hand the amazing work they deliver here in North Ayrshire. As part of my duties as Provost, I have attended a wide range of events showcasing our young people's talents, ranging from Corsehill Primary School's production of Oliver to the Boys' Brigade National Badminton Finals at SportScotland's National Centre

12. GENERAL

The Scotsman 37 **SAS extends agreement with Scottish Government** Software and analytics group SAS has reaffirmed its long-term partnership with the Scottish Government. The agreement will see the firm provide an "enhanced platform" for use by the Government's analytical teams, to support work to deliver official statistics across a range of areas including education, welfare, child protection and social care. Charles Senabulya, country manager for SAS UK & Ireland, which has offices in Glasgow, said: "This deal is our

The Scotsman 18 **Number of over-65s still in work doubles over the past decade** Scotland has seen the number of over-65s still working almost double over the past decade, new figures have revealed. A Scottish Government report on employment patterns revealed 84,700 people were working beyond the traditional retirement age. According to the document, 55.8 per cent of those working beyond the age of 65 said they were "not ready" to stop. A total of 13 per cent said they needed to keep working

The Scotsman 2 **£7m** Communities, charities, health boards and councils with new ideas to tackle child poverty have been invited to bid for a share of a £7 million innovation fund. The fund, financed by the Scottish Government and Hunter Foundation, is part of the Tackling Child Poverty Delivery Plan.

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 11 **Five now stand for election as Jamie drops out** The forthcoming Shetland by-election for the Scottish Youth Parliament (SYP) will now have five candidates, not six, with news that Jamie Sutherland has withdrawn. Jamie, 14, from Lerwick, withdrew to "research and plan for running next year's campaign". He had stood on pledges to improve local mental health services, to cut bus fares for young people and give young people more say in schools. Next year's elections are ahead of

The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands & Islands) 30 **Iain Maciver** If you have never had a bad leg cramp, you can thank your lucky stars. Yeah, I used to get them when I was much younger but I really thought I had grown out of that phase. Then last week I woke up at some unseemly hour writhing in agony as the mysterious pressure was firmly applied around my thigh and ankle. Yelping like a whipped puppy, I woke up

Daily Mail (Scotland) 14 **M-way pothole payout claims soar by 139pc** RECORD numbers of drivers are claiming compensation for damage caused to their vehicles by Scotland's crumbling motorways and dual carriageways. Compensation claims more than doubled in the year to the end of March as the impact of the Beast from the East took its toll on the country's roads network, shocking figures show. Motoring groups said the figures are further evidence that the state of Scotland's roads is at crisis

The Times (Scotland) 4 **Big food labels 'missing or ignoring sugar targets'** Two thirds of food companies have ignored pleas to cut sugar and are "failing miserably" to hit a voluntary target set by the government. One in eight big brands has actually increased the amount of sugar they sell. Sugar

in the ten categories set out as part of a government obesity drive, such as biscuits, cakes and chocolates, has fallen 2 per cent overall in its first year. The plan

The Sun (Scotland) 11 **BRAINS BEHIND THE BLUEPRINT** THE brains behind the Growth Commission report is Andrew Wilson, seen by many in the pro-indy camp as something of an outsider. The lead author, a former Motherwell FC director, is not one for flag waving. He has never been known to dress up as a Jacobite, thinks "Britishness" would survive independence and even suggested it was OK for Scots to support England in the World Cup. His is a

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