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Keeping you up to date with Scottish Law Commission news and consultations

Our current work

Our current law reform projects are set out below. These include our joint law reform projects with the Law Commission for England and Wales and the Northern Ireland Law Commission. For further information on any particular project, click on the link which takes you to the project page on our website.

Scottish Law Commission only projects

Current projects

- [Aspects of the law of prescription](#)
- [Compulsory purchase](#)
- [Contract law in light of the Draft Common Frame of Reference \(DCFR\)](#)
- [Defamation](#)
- [Moveable transactions \(security over corporeal and incorporeal moveable property; assignation of incorporeal moveable property\)](#)



Current consultations

Defamation law: time for change?

The Commission published a Discussion Paper on Defamation on 17 March 2016. The consultation period runs until 17 June 2016. [Read more...](#)

To view a short video by our Chairman about this project click [here](#).

Time-limits for raising claims in court

The Commission published a Discussion Paper on Prescription on 22 February 2016. The consultation period ran until 23 May 2016, but we will be happy to receive any further responses. [Read more...](#)

News

Commission videos

The Commission has launched a channel with short videos about our work. This can be accessed through our website. The first video is a [message](#) from the First Minister, Nicola Sturgeon MSP, on our 50th Anniversary last year.

Joint projects with the Law Commission for England and Wales (*and with the Northern Ireland Law Commission):

Current joint projects

- [Electoral law](#) *
- [Insurance law](#)
- [Statute law repeals](#)

Further information

Website

Further information about the Commission, Commissioners and staff, and our law reform work can be found on our website at

<http://www.scotlawcom.gov.uk/>.

The website has full text versions of all of our reports and discussion papers.

Twitter

Follow us on Twitter for regular updates and information: [@scotlawcom](#).

Videos

To see videos about the Commission and our work: click [here](#).

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Insurance law reforms implemented

The Enterprise Act 2016 implements our joint recommendations on damages for late payment of insurance claims. For details of this, and of developments in relation to the coming into force of the Third Parties (Rights against Insurers) Act 2010, [read more...](#)

Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 2016

The Bankruptcy (Scotland) Bill, prepared by the Commission, was passed by the Scottish Parliament on 22 March and received Royal Assent on 28 April 2016. The Act consolidates the Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 1985 and subsequent legislation on bankruptcy. [Read more...](#)

Succession (Scotland) Act 2016

The Succession (Scotland) Bill was passed by the Scottish Parliament on 28 January 2016 and received Royal Assent on 3 March 2016. It was the second Bill to be considered by the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee under a new procedure for certain Commission Bills. See the article in the latest [Scottish Parliamentary Review](#) on the procedure in the Scottish Parliament. [Read more...](#)

Electoral law: interim Report

The Commission published a joint interim Report on electoral law in February. [Read more...](#)

Annual Report 2015

The Commission's Annual Report for 2015, our 50th Anniversary year, was published in February. [Read more...](#)