

Monday 3 July 2017 at 2.30pm

**Oral Questions, 30 minutes*

***The Earl of Clancarty** to ask Her Majesty's Government when they will respond to the public consultation *Implementing the English Baccalaureate* which closed on 29 January 2016.

***Baroness Gardner of Parkes** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the need for youth services; and how they propose to fund those services.

***Lord Collins of Highbury** to ask Her Majesty's Government how they intend to consult non-governmental organisations and development aid charities regarding the commitment in their manifesto to work with like-minded countries to change the rules relating to overseas development assistance.

***Baroness Walmsley** to ask Her Majesty's Government, in the light of the Grenfell Tower fire, what plans they have to review their guidance *Fire safety in new and existing school buildings*.

Baroness D'Souza to move that this House takes note of the case for measuring the impact of the United Kingdom's development aid budget. (*Balloted Debate, 2½ hours*)

Lord Borwick to move that this House takes note of the case for improving air quality in London. (*Balloted Debate, 2½ hours*)

Future Business**Tuesday 4 July 2017 at 2.30pm**

***The Countess of Mar** to ask Her Majesty's Government who is responsible for ensuring the implementation by Clinical Commissioning Groups and hospital providers of the *Guidance for commissioners of services for people with medically unexplained symptoms*, published by the Joint Commissioning Panel for Mental Health.

***Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale** to ask Her Majesty's Government how much United Kingdom Overseas Development Assistance is currently spent in co-operation with, or through, the European Union.

***Baroness Ludford** to ask Her Majesty's Government, in the light of their 2017 manifesto commitments, what are their criteria and specific objectives for Brexit; and how they intend to forge a deep and special partnership with the European Union.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 30 June.

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Lord Howell of Guildford to move that this House takes note of the Report from the International Relations Committee *The Middle East: Time for a New Realism* (2nd Report, Session 2016–17 HL Paper 159).

Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: acquired rights* (10th Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 82).

Wednesday 5 July 2017 at 3.00pm

***Baroness Massey of Darwen** to ask Her Majesty's Government what progress they have made in addressing (1) the concerns of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child, and (2) that Committee's recommendations for changes in the implementation of measures to enhance child welfare.

***Baroness Wheeler** to ask Her Majesty's Government why the National Stroke Strategy, which expired in March 2017, has not been updated or renewed.

***Lord Clark of Windermere** to ask Her Majesty's Government what proposals they have to improve working conditions for NHS staff.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 3 July.

Financial Guidance and Claims Bill [HL] Second Reading [Baroness Buscombe]

If the bill is read a second time, Baroness Buscombe to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Lord Turnberg to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to mark the centenary of the Balfour Declaration in November. (*1½ hours*)

Thursday 6 July 2017 at 11.00am

***Lord Harrison** to ask Her Majesty's Government, in the light of Brexit, what assessment they have made of the impact on jobs and the economy of any relocations away from the United Kingdom of European Union institutions based in this country, such as the European Banking Authority.

***Lord Empey** to ask Her Majesty's Government, whether they are planning to provide tax incentives to businesses to encourage their staff to obtain recognised qualifications in exporting skills.

***Baroness McIntosh of Hudnall** to ask Her Majesty's Government when they intend to bring forward proposals to establish a curriculum fund for Britain's leading cultural and scientific institutions, as outlined in their 2017 manifesto.

Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 30 June, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 4 July.

Lord Leigh of Hurley to move that this House takes note of the role that businesses, including SMEs, play in creating and spreading wealth, improving life chances, and contributing to the communities in which they operate.

Baroness Manzoor to move that this House takes note of Her Majesty's Government's plans to protect and support victims of domestic violence and abuse.

Lord Holmes of Richmond to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to promote financial inclusion through the use of innovative financial solutions and new technology, including open access to payment infrastructure, smart phone applications and distributed ledger technology. (*1½ hours*)

Monday 10 July 2017 at 2.30pm

***Baroness Harding of Winscombe** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to set up a Data Ethics Commission, as set out in the their 2017 manifesto.

***Lord Greaves** to ask Her Majesty's Government what support they are giving to connecting communities and economies in the north of England by the re-opening of railway lines.

***Lord Low of Dalston** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the *#Costing Equity* report on disability responsive education financing, published by the International Disability and Development Consortium, which outlines the steps and resources necessary to deliver the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 4 on inclusive education.

***Lord McNally** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to update their anti-corruption strategy.

Baroness Williams of Trafford to move that this House takes note of the current security situation in the United Kingdom.

Tuesday 11 July 2017 at 2.30pm

***Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to issue guidance to local authorities clarifying what can and cannot be recycled.

***Baroness Berridge** to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the ongoing persecution of the Rohingya Muslims in Myanmar, and (2) the consequent impact on Bangladesh.

***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to implement the recommendations of the report *Human rights of older persons and their comprehensive care*, adopted by the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe on 30 May 2017.

Armed Forces (Flexible Working) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Earl Howe]

If the bill is read a second time, Earl Howe to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Wednesday 12 July 2017 at 3.00pm

***Lord Soley** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether, as part of their Brexit negotiations, they intend to propose the formation of a United Kingdom–European Union joint parliamentary assembly.

***Baroness Gale** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their timetable for the ratification of the Istanbul Convention, following the passing of the Preventing and Combating Violence Against Women and Domestic Violence (Ratification of Convention) Act 2017.

***Lord Balfre** to ask Her Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with (1) the government of Turkey, and (2) other members of the Council of Europe, regarding the proposed reintroduction of the death penalty in Turkey.

Space Industry Bill [HL] Second Reading [Lord Callanan]

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Callanan to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Thursday 13 July 2017 at 11.00am

***Lord Wigley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what changes they propose to make to the application of the Barnett formula to Wales and Scotland arising from any potential additional financial provision for Northern Ireland.

***Lord McKenzie of Luton** to ask Her Majesty's Government when they intend to review the Pension Protection Fund and the powers of the pension regulator, as set out in their 2017 manifesto.

***Lord Bird** to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Henley on 6 March (HL5600) concerning early intervention programmes, what steps they are taking to prioritise their focus on the root causes of poverty and disadvantage.

†**Baroness Andrews** to move that this House takes note of the impact of deregulation on public services, health and safety.

†*Topical Question for Short Debate. Ballot opens at 10am on Monday 3 July, to be drawn at 12 noon on Tuesday 4 July.*

Monday 17 July 2017 at 2.30pm

***Lord Farmer** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that local authorities put an action plan in place for all children in need that will improve their family relationships and resolve other difficulties sufficiently for them to be stepped down from that status.

***Baroness Jones of Whitchurch** to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to legislate to lift the ban on fox hunting as set out in their 2017 manifesto.

***Baroness Kennedy of Cradley** to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to address the issues raised by the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists programme *Each Baby Counts*.

***Baroness Lawrence of Clarendon** to ask Her Majesty's Government when they intend to bring forward proposals to reform Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services as outlined in their 2017 manifesto.

Tuesday 18 July 2017 at 2.30pm

***Lord Lexden** to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they are planning to mark the 50th anniversary of the Sexual Offences Act 1967.

***Lord St John of Bletso** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to promote trading relationships with Southern African countries.

***Baroness Cox** to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of recent developments in the Northern and Central Belt States in Nigeria.

Wednesday 19 July 2017 at 3.00pm

***Lord Beith** to ask Her Majesty's Government what discussions Ministers have had with the governments of the Crown Dependencies since the 2017 General Election about the negotiations for the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union.

***The Earl of Sandwich** to ask Her Majesty's Government what further action they are taking to address the ongoing refugee crisis and acute food emergency in East Africa.

***Lord Fox** to ask Her Majesty's Government what conclusions they have drawn from their consultation on the introduction of a new industrial strategy.

Thursday 20 July 2017 at 11.00am

***Baroness Quin** to ask Her Majesty's Government what are their priorities for transport investment in the North East of England over the next two years.

***Lord Campbell-Savours** to ask Her Majesty's Government what consideration has been given to the introduction of ID cards as a contribution to the maintenance of security in the United Kingdom.

***Lord Brown of Eaton-under-Heywood** to ask Her Majesty's Government when they propose to exercise the power under section 128 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 to alter the test to be applied by the Parole Board to the release of those Imprisonment for Public Protection prisoners who have served years beyond their tariff terms.

Motion for Balloted Debate

Ballot on 4 July for debate on 20 July. Time limit 2½ hours.

Lord Berkeley to move that this House takes note of the transport needs of remote island communities in England.

Select Committee Reports

The date on which the report was published is in italics.

Lord Boswell of Aynho to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: UK–Irish relations* (6th Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 76) *12 December 2016*

Baroness Prashar to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: UK–EU movement of people* (14th Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 121) *6 March*

Lord Hollick to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Economic Affairs Committee *The Price of Power: Reforming the Electricity Market* (2nd Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 113) *24 February*

Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: justice for families, individuals and businesses?* (17th Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 134) *20 March*

Baroness Verma to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: trade in goods* (16th Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 129) *14 March*

Lord Whitty to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: trade in non-financial services* (18th Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 135) *22 March*

Lord Boswell of Aynho to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: the Crown Dependencies* (19th Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 136) *23 March*

Baroness Tyler of Enfield to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Select Committee on Financial Exclusion *Tackling Financial Exclusion: A country that works for everyone?* (Session 2016–17, HL Paper 132) *25 March*

Lord Best to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Communications Committee *A privatised future for Channel 4?* (1st Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 17) *11 July 2016*

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Select Committee on the Licensing Act 2003 *The Licensing Act 2003: post-legislative scrutiny* (Session 2016–17, HL Paper 146) *4 April*

Lord Lang of Monkton to move that this House takes note of the Reports from the Constitution Committee on *Inter-governmental relations in the United Kingdom* (11th Report, Session 2014–15, HL Paper 146) and *The Union and devolution* (10th Report, Session 2015–16, HL Paper 149) *27 March 2015 and 25 May 2016*

Lord Patel to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Select Committee on the Long-term Sustainability of the NHS *The Long-term Sustainability of the NHS and Adult Social Care* (Session 2016–17, HL Paper 151) *5 April*

Lord Teverson to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Union Committee *Brexit: agriculture* (20th Report, Session 2016–17, HL Paper 169) *3 May*

Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

Lord Marks of Henley-on-Thames to move that this House regrets that the Civil Procedure (Amendment) Rules 2017 have been laid with insufficient regard to the overwhelmingly negative response to the proposed Rules during the consultation and to the lack of evidence that significant numbers of unmeritorious environmental claims are currently brought; that they may escalate claimants' legal costs and act against the intention of the Aarhus Convention that the cost of environmental litigation should not be prohibitive; and that they are likely to have the effect of deterring claimants from bringing meritorious environmental cases (SI 2017/95 (L. 1)). *25th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016-17*

Lord Kirkwood of Kirkhope to move that this House regrets that the Universal Credit (Housing Costs Element for Claimants Aged 18 to 21) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 have been published without the guidance which will be key to understanding how the legislation will work in practice (SI 2017/252). *28th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016-17*

Lord German to move that this House regrets that the Social Security Benefit Up-rating Regulations 2017 do not take account of the impact of leaving the European Union on the state pensions of United Kingdom citizens living in the European Union (SI 2017/349).

Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbotts to move that this House regrets that the Damages (Personal Injury) Order 2017 makes a substantial change to the Ogden rate, the first change since 2001, just before the completion of a further consultation on how to set that rate more effectively in the future (SI 2017/206). *29th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016-17*

The Earl of Lytton to move that this House regrets that the Non-Domestic Rating (Alteration of Lists and Appeals) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 and the Valuation Tribunal for England (Council Tax and Rating Appeals) (Procedure) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 have been introduced without adequate regard for the concerns of experts in rating appeals, following incomplete testing and on a truncated timescale (SI 2017/155 and SI 2017/156). *30th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016-17*

National Health Service (Mandate Requirements) Regulations 2017 Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to move that a Humble Address be presented to Her Majesty praying that the National Health Service (Mandate Requirements) Regulations 2017, laid before the House on 20 March, be annulled on the grounds that the Regulations, and the associated Mandate to NHS England, do not require that in 2017–18 NHS England meets its obligation to ensure that 92 per cent of patients are treated within 18 weeks of referral; and that failure to meet this target is a breach of the rights of patients outlined in the NHS Constitution and of the statutory requirement laid out in the National Health Service Commissioning Board and Clinical Commissioning Groups (Responsibilities and Standing Rules) Regulations 2012; and calls on Her Majesty's Government to publish the advice they have received on the legality of their actions (SI 2017/445).

Questions for Short Debate

Time limit 1 hour or 1½ hours.

Lord Chidgey to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they will ensure that the programme for the Commonwealth Summit in London in 2018 includes a People's Forum and a Parliamentary Forum, the outcomes of which are recorded in the final communiqué, as has been the case for similar summits in the past. *(21 June)*

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of security challenges and related human rights violations on the Korean Peninsula. *(21 June)*

Lord Farmer to ask Her Majesty's Government what progress they have made in implementing the report from the Farmer Review on *The Importance of Prisoners' Family Ties for Reform: Preventing Reoffending and Reducing Intergenerational Crime*. (21 June)

Lord Patel to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have for making their science and innovation strategy an effective part of their industrial strategy. (21 June)

Lord Blencathra to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to combat genocide of Christians. (21 June)

Lord Warner to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment have they made of the risks to NHS sustainability arising from the United Kingdom's departure from the European Union. (21 June)

The Lord Bishop of Durham to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their response to the report by the All Party Parliamentary Group on Refugees, *Refugees Welcome? The Experience of New Refugees in the UK*, published on 25 April. (21 June)

Lord Naseby to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the progress made by the coalition government of Sri Lanka in meeting the requirements on reconciliation established by the United Nations Human Rights Council. (21 June)

Lord Sharkey to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the problems that will be faced by the people of Northern Cyprus in the event of the failure of the reunification talks; and what plans they have to assist in resolving any such problems. (21 June)

Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they will take to improve the earnings, rights and employment protections of care workers. (21 June)

Baroness Hayman to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of progress in the recovery of Sierra Leone from the effect of the Ebola outbreak; and what assistance they are offering the government of Sierra Leone in the recovery effort. (21 June)

Lord Dubs to ask Her Majesty's Government what are their plans for the future of hospitals in West London, particularly in relation to their proposals to sell off much of the site of the existing Charing Cross hospital. (21 June)

Lord Pearson of Rannoch to ask Her Majesty's Government whether, as part of their strategy against Islamist terrorism, they will encourage UK Muslim leaders to re-examine the Muslim tenets of abrogation, Taqiyya and Al Hijra. (21 June)

Baroness Scott of Needham Market to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they will further consider transitional arrangements for state pension provision for women born in the 1950s. (21 June)

Lord Allen of Kensington to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the ability of the United Kingdom to make sector-specific trade agreements with other nations, in the event that the United Kingdom leaves the European Union without a trade deal and falls back on World Trade Organisation rules. (21 June)

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the risks posed by current levels of household debt in the United Kingdom. (21 June)

Lord Morris of Aberavon to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to set up a widely drawn working party, using the expertise of Treasury counsel, into the working of section 42 of the Armed Forces Act 2006. (21 June)

Lord Lipsey to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the deferred payment scheme for funding older people's care. (21 June)

Lord Shutt of Greetland to ask Her Majesty's Government what additional resources they plan to commit to address the transport and major infrastructure needs of Saint Helena, Ascension, Tristan da Cunha and the Falkland Islands. (21 June)

Baroness Cox to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of recent developments in Sudan and South Sudan. (21 June)

Baroness Meacher to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they plan to invite the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs to review the evidence supporting the rescheduling of cannabis to Schedule 2 or 4. (21 June)

The Earl of Sandwich to ask Her Majesty's Government what support they intend to provide to the least developed countries in relation to any adverse effects resulting from Brexit. (21 June)

Lord Greaves to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made as to whether the law relating to local government elections is in need of improvement or clarification. (21 June)

Lord Collins of Highbury to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they have taken alongside Gulf countries to de-escalate tensions in the region; and what action they are taking to encourage Qatar to engage with its neighbours regarding concerns about extremism. (21 June)

Baroness Randerson to ask Her Majesty's Government what measures they intend to take to improve the reliability of railway services. (21 June)

Lord Boateng to ask Her Majesty's Government what progress they have made in improving mental health services for people from black and ethnic minority communities. (21 June)

Baroness Armstrong of Hill Top to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to promote the importance of volunteering. (21 June)

Lord Dykes to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to bring regular reports before Parliament on the progress of the negotiations for Brexit. (21 June)

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to develop a strategy for improving the standards of wound care in the NHS. (21 June)

Lord Bird to ask Her Majesty's Government what new resources and strategies they will implement to ensure that every child has the opportunity to attend a good school and that all schools are fairly funded, as announced in the Queen's Speech. (21 June)

Lord Harries of Pentregarth to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the need for greater religious literacy in our national life. (21 June)

Lord Empey to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they are planning to review the operation of the Memorandum of Understanding with the devolved administrations. (21 June)

The Lord Bishop of Coventry to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their post-conflict strategy for protecting the rights of religious and ethnic minorities in Iraq. (21 June)

Lord Burnett to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the future of the Royal Marines. (21 June) [I]

The Earl of Clancarty to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support the contemporary practice of the arts, including music, drama, dance and the visual arts. (21 June)

Lord Cameron of Dillington to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure the availability, and sustainable management, of water in developing countries. (21 June)

Lord Tanlaw to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the possibility of instituting a trial period of permanent British Summer Time or Daylight Saving Time in order to assess what impact this might have on people's quality of life. *(21 June)*

Lord Cormack to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they will take to address problems faced by museums and galleries in England. *(21 June)*

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask Her Majesty's Government how they will ensure that regulation is balanced, cost effective, easy to understand and properly enforced. *(21 June)*

Lord Storey to ask Her Majesty's Government what measures they are taking to provide high quality early years education in England. *(21 June)*

Lord German to ask Her Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to uprating the pensions of United Kingdom citizens living in the European Union once when the United Kingdom has left the European Union. *(21 June)*

Baroness Gardner of Parkes to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to ensure that children receive regular dental examinations and any necessary treatment. *(21 June)*

Baroness Miller of Chilthorne Domer to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the anticipated outcome of the United Nations Conference to Negotiate a Legally Binding Instrument to Prohibit Nuclear Weapons, Leading to Their Total Elimination, which will conclude on 7 July 2017. *(21 June)*

Lord Lexden to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they are planning to commemorate the contribution made by Empire and Commonwealth troops during the First World War. *(21 June)*

Baroness Barker to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support the development of social enterprises. *(21 June)*

Lord Loomba to ask Her Majesty's Government what priority they give to women and girls, including widows, when developing and implementing Department for International Development initiatives and projects. *(21 June)*

Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they will take to protect the interests of children during the Brexit negotiations. *(21 June)*

Lord Foulkes of Cumnock to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to discuss with the Royal Household simplifying the ceremony for the State Opening of Parliament. *(21 June)*

Baroness Howe of Idlicote to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the challenges faced by parents to keep their children safe online; and what action they are taking to address those challenges. *(21 June)*

The Countess of Mar to ask Her Majesty's Government what is the current provision for research, diagnosis, treatment and social support for people with myalgic encephalomyelitis and chronic fatigue syndrome. *(21 June)*

Baroness Burt of Solihull to ask Her Majesty's Government how they plan to ensure the protection of equalities and human rights throughout the Brexit process. *(21 June)*

Lord Black of Brentwood to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking to promote and improve the welfare of domestic animals. *(21 June)*

Baroness Quin to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure systematic and regular consultation in the ongoing Brexit negotiations with British businesses, trade unions, economic interest groups, and the United Kingdom's nations, regions and localities. *(21 June)*

Baroness Eaton to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they are taking (1) to ensure that all local authorities provide effective family support outside school, particularly where there are children in need, and (2) to foster the development of family hubs. *(21 June)*

Baroness Coussins to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the importance of modern foreign language teaching in schools and universities; and of the impact of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union on the sustainability of that teaching. *(21 June)*

Baroness Boothroyd to ask Her Majesty's Government what clinical evidence they have that the proposed closure of congenital heart disease services at the Royal Brompton Hospital will lead to improved patient outcomes. *(21 June)*

Lord Crisp to ask Her Majesty's Government what priority they will give to investing in nursing globally, in the light of the impact of such investment on improving health, promoting gender equality and strengthening local economies. *(21 June)*

Lord Wigley to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to create a mechanism for the ongoing formal involvement of the devolved administrations in discussions about the United Kingdom's Brexit negotiating position. *(21 June)*

Lord Popat to ask Her Majesty's Government what progress they are making to increase the export of goods and services to Africa and the Commonwealth. *(21 June)*

Lord Adonis to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they plan to introduce legislation to lower the voting age to 16. *(21 June)*

Baroness Tyler of Enfield to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of high street bank closures on financial exclusion. *(21 June)*

Viscount Waverley to ask Her Majesty's Government what measures they are taking to improve procurement processes across Government departments. *(21 June)*

Lord Sterling of Plaistow to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to conduct a full defence review, in the light of the capability of the Armed Forces to meet global defence needs. *(21 June)* [I]

Lord Lisvane to ask Her Majesty's Government what their policy is on bringing into force the Easter Act 1928 which fixes the date of Easter. *(21 June)*

Lord Framlingham to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on the economy and environment of HS2. *(21 June)*

Baroness Wheeler to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the priority given to the reconfiguration and improvement in stroke services under Sustainability and Transformation Plans, and the availability of community support services for stroke recoverers. *(21 June)*

Lord Harrison to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they have taken to improve productivity in the economy. *(22 June)*

Lord Addington to ask Her Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to reviewing the guidance given to UK Sport about which sports are to receive funding for elite programmes, to take into account the potential growth of grassroots participation. *(22 June)*

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask Her Majesty's Government what are their plans for future farm support. *(22 June)*

Baroness Berridge to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to celebrate the 70th anniversary in 2018 of the arrival of MV Empire Windrush. *(26 June)*

†**The Lord Bishop of Leeds** to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to guarantee the existing rights of European Union nationals currently resident in the United Kingdom. *(29 June)*

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 29 June and due for answer by 13 July.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Turkey about the transfer of 50 Syrian Christian churches, monasteries and cemeteries in Mardin province to the Turkish Directorate of Religious Affairs; and when they last discussed that government's obligations under Article 18 of the 1948 Universal declaration of Human Rights which sets out the obligations of states to protect freedom of religion and belief. HL272

Baroness Deech to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations have been made to the Palestinian Authority regarding the reported use of foreign aid to make payments to convicted terrorists and their families. HL283

Baroness Deech to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the Palestinian Authority concerning the recent reported deaths of three babies in Gaza after the Palestinian Authority refused to grant permits for them to be treated in Israel. HL284

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of action being taken to ensure the well-being of unaccompanied refugee children in Greece; and what steps they are taking to establish whether any such children are qualified to come to the UK by reason of extreme vulnerability or close family connection. HL258

Lord Hylton to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to take any action to prevent attacks by Turkey on Kurdish forces in Afrin Canton in northern Syria. HL276

Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb to ask Her Majesty's Government whether the independent expert advisory panel appointed to advise an immediate safety action following the Grenfell fire will consider whether the presence of disabled and vulnerable people should be given more weight in the fire risk assessment of premises, and especially of day-care centres. HL289

Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb to ask Her Majesty's Government what action they have taken to implement the Lakanal House fire inquest recommendation to "encourage providers of housing in high rise residential buildingsto consider the retro-fitting of sprinkler systems". HL290

Lord Jopling to ask Her Majesty's Government which higher education providers failed to attain at least a Bronze award in the Teaching Excellence Framework. HL253

Lord Judd to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they have a strategy to help strengthen the United Nations, particularly in relation to supporting the new Secretary-General and encouraging the merit-based appointment of senior officials across the United Nations. HL303

Lord Judd to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that UK foreign policy is always underpinned by the objective of enhancing the wellbeing of the international order. HL304

Lord Judd to ask Her Majesty's Government, in the light of their commitment to a more outward-looking Global Britain, what steps they are taking to ensure that Government departments refrain from anti-internationalist rhetoric. HL305

Lord Judd to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to enhance the level of public understanding of the relevance and value of international organisations and agencies to the wellbeing of the British people; including through both formal and informal education systems. HL306

Lord Judd to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking, if any, to strengthen the role of the Global Britain Fund. HL307

Lord Judd to ask Her Majesty's Government what priority they will give to increasing support for, and strengthening the effectiveness of, the Specialized Agencies of the United Nations through the UK's Official Development Assistance programme. HL308

Baroness Kennedy of Cradley to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the cost to farmers and growers of the reduction in the bee population in the UK. HL295

Baroness Kennedy of Cradley to ask Her Majesty's Government what protections are in place to safeguard wetlands from the effects of dredging. HL296

Lord Kennedy of Southwark to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to promote the establishment of new tram lines in towns and cities in England. HL261

Lord Kennedy of Southwark to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment have they made of the role of business in reviving high streets. HL262

Lord Kennedy of Southwark to ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to encourage local authorities to consider washing their high streets and shopping parades on a regular basis, in addition to sweeping and other cleaning measures. HL263

Lord Laird to ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they have taken (1) to implement the judgment of the European Court of Justice of 6 October 2015, *Schrems v Data Protection Commissioner*, and (2) to ensure that the Information Commissioner implements the findings set out in that judgment. HL273

Lord Lexden to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Bridges of Headley on 27 June 2016 (HL662), what progress has been made with their consideration of honorary titles for the spouses of women members of the House of Lords; and for same sex spouses and civil partners of members of the House of Lords. HL291

Lord Lexden to ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Williams of Trafford on 23 December 2016 (HL4133), whether the College of Policing's authorised professional practice on media relations has been published. HL292

Lord Lexden to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the percentage of children who currently drink milk in schools. HL293

Lord Lexden to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they plan to extend eligibility for free school milk to all children in reception classes. HL294

Lord McInnes of Kilwinning to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Turkey following the cancellation of the Istanbul Pride March by the Istanbul authorities. HL268

Lord McInnes of Kilwinning to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their assessment of LGBTi rights in Turkey. HL269

The Countess of Mar to ask Her Majesty's Government what measures they are taking to ensure that flame retardant materials used in homes, offices and public spaces both (1) prevent fires, and (2) are non-toxic, (a) in normal use, (b) during fires, and (c) for disposal or recycling at the end of life of items, such as furniture, foam mattresses, electronic goods and building insulation which contain such materials. HL264

The Countess of Mar to ask Her Majesty's Government whether there is any one Government department charged with ensuring that all fire retardant materials are safe and effective at all times. HL265

The Countess of Mar to ask Her Majesty's Government how many cases of (1) Munchausen's syndrome by proxy, and (2) fabricated or induced illness, have been prosecuted against parents of children diagnosed with myalgic encephalomyelitis or chronic fatigue syndrome in each year since 2010 for which figures are available; how many of those cases were successful; how many were withdrawn; and how many resulted in an acquittal. HL274

The Countess of Mar to ask Her Majesty's Government what is the average total cost to (1) local authorities, (2) health authorities, (3) local education authorities, and (4) the courts, of prosecuting an unfounded case of Munchausen's syndrome by proxy. HL275

Baroness Randerson to ask Her Majesty's Government which agencies failed to report statistics on road casualties to the Department for Transport in time for the scheduled publication of *Reported Road Casualties for October 2016 to March 2017*; and what reasons were given by those agencies for their failure to report on time. HL270

Baroness Randerson to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to proceed with plans for Crossrail 2; and if so, what is their timescale for future development. HL271

The Earl of Sandwich to ask Her Majesty's Government how many refugees from North Africa have been rescued and taken to Italian ports by UK vessels so far this year; and what assessment they have made of reports that the Italian Government is considering blocking humanitarian ships flying foreign flags from returning to Italian ports. HL277

The Earl of Sandwich to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the work of the UN Mission in South Sudan during the July 2016 conflict in Juba; and whether the mission has sufficient capacity and capability to fulfil its role. HL278

The Earl of Sandwich to ask Her Majesty's Government what assistance, if any, they have given to the government of Uganda in its work supporting refugees from South Sudan in the past two years; and to what projects and regions this assistance has been directed. HL279

The Earl of Sandwich to ask Her Majesty's Government what assistance they have given following the Nepal earthquake of 2015, both directly and through voluntary organisations; and how that compares to assistance given by other Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development member countries. HL280

The Earl of Sandwich to ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number and quality of homes rebuilt following the Nepal earthquake of 2015; which regions of Nepal have benefited from UK humanitarian assistance; and to what extent this assistance has been directed through non-governmental channels. HL281

The Earl of Sandwich to ask Her Majesty's Government how many Nepalese students applied to undertake further education in the UK in the last two years for which figures are available, and how many were accepted. HL282

Lord Storey to ask Her Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the increase in the number of pupils in primary and secondary schools over the next three years. HL286

Lord Storey to ask Her Majesty's Government how many UNESCO World Heritage sites there are in the UK; and where those sites are. HL287

Lord Storey to ask Her Majesty's Government what support they give to current UNESCO World Heritage sites in the UK to enable them to keep this designation. HL288

Baroness Tonge to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made to (1) the Palestinian Authority, and (2) the government of Israel, following the reduction of electricity supply to Gaza to just 2.5 hours per day. HL266

Lord Truscott to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to produce a new Energy White Paper. HL297

Lord Truscott to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they plan to continue to support the development of shale gas in the UK. HL298

Lord Truscott to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to bring forward legislation to (1) treat non-fracking drilling as permitted development, (2) make major shale planning decisions the responsibility of the National Planning Regime, and (3) make changes to the proposed Shale Wealth Fund, as outlined in the 2017 Conservative Party manifesto. HL299

Lord Truscott to ask Her Majesty's Government how they plan to ensure that critical national infrastructure is protected to safeguard national security post-Brexit. HL300

Lord Truscott to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they intend to bring forward proposals to "ensure that foreign ownership of companies controlling important infrastructure does not undermine British security or essential services", as outlined in the 2017 Conservative Party manifesto; and, if so, when. HL301

Lord Truscott to ask Her Majesty's Government when they will publish their new Emissions Reduction Plan. HL302

Lord Watson of Invergowrie to ask Her Majesty's Government whether primary legislation is required to introduce the National Funding Formula for Schools in England. HL285

Baroness Whitaker to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they will encourage the United Nations to set up more Human Rights Advisory Panels to investigate alleged violations of human rights by UN personnel. HL254

Baroness Whitaker to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Kosovo concerning amelioration of the situation of the Kosovo Roma, following the June 2016 report of the United Nations Human Rights Advisory Panel. HL255

Baroness Whitaker to ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Ukraine about (1) investigating the burning down of the Roma camp at 2 Kanalna Street, Kyiv on 5 April, and (2) the return and integration of the Roma residents. HL256

Baroness Whitaker to ask Her Majesty's Government how they intend to call the United Nations to account for the alleged violations of human rights law by the United Nations Mission in Kosovo in respect of the Kosovo Roma, as set out in the June 2016 report of the United Nations Human Rights Advisory Panel. HL257

Lord Wigley to ask Her Majesty's Government how many police officers were deployed in Wales (1) in 2010, and (2) on the most recent date for which figures are available. HL259

Lord Wigley to ask Her Majesty's Government how many safer neighbourhood teams have been operational in England and Wales in each year since they were first introduced. HL260

Lord Wigley to ask Her Majesty's Government how many of the unaccompanied child refugees who have entered the UK under (1) section 67 of the Immigration Act 2016, and (2) the Dublin III Regulations, have been identified as having physical or learning disabilities. HL267

Bills in Progress

	Type of Bill	To be considered
Waiting for Second Reading		
Financial Guidance and Claims Bill [HL]	Government	5 July
House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) (Abolition of By-Elections) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Age of Criminal Responsibility Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Modern Slavery (Victim Support) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Succession to Peerages Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Asset Freezing (Compensation) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Space Industry Bill [HL]	Government	12 July
Unpaid Work Experience (Prohibition) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Equality Act 2010 (Amendment) (Disabled Access) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Democratic Political Activity (Funding and Expenditure) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Home Education (Duty of Local Authorities) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Armed Forces (Flexible Working) Bill [HL]	Government	11 July
Conscientious Objection (Medical Activities) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
House of Lords Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Creditworthiness Assessment Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Immigration Control (Gross Human Rights Abuses) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Local Government Elections (Referendum) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Registration of Marriage Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Open Skies Agreement (Membership) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Ecumenical Marriage Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Family Relationships (Impact Assessment and Targets) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Criminal Records Bill [HL]	Private Member's	

Statutory Instruments in Progress

Affirmative Instruments waiting for consideration by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments

Draft International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) Order 2017

Draft Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Act 2007 (Extension of duration of non-jury trial provisions) Order 2017

Draft Unified Patent Court (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2017

Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution

Draft Hunting Act 2004 (Exempt Hunting) (Amendment) Order 2015 *7th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2015–16*

Draft Non-Contentious Probate Fees Order 2017 *26th Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments Session 2016–17, 28th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee Session 2016–17*

Draft Trade Union (Deduction of Union Subscriptions from Wages in the Public Sector) Regulations 2017 *29th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016–17*

Draft Government Resources and Accounts Act 2000 (Audit of Public Bodies) Order 2017

Draft Electricity Capacity (Amendment) Regulations 2017

Draft Electricity Supplier Obligations (Amendment and Excluded Electricity) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 *32nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016–17*

Negative Instruments

Civil Procedure (Amendment) Rules 2017 *25th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016–17. Praying time expired 24 March.*

Universal Credit (Housing Costs Element for Claimants Aged 18 to 21) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 *28th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016–17. Praying time expired 22 April.*

Damages (Personal Injury) Order 2017 *29th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016–17. Praying time expired 18 April.*

Non-Domestic Rating (Alteration of Lists and Appeals) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 *30th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016–17. Praying time expired 26 June.*

Valuation Tribunal for England (Council Tax and Rating Appeals) (Procedure) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 *30th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, Session 2016–17. Praying time expired 26 June.*

Social Security Benefit Up-rating Regulations 2017 *Not reported by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expired 22 June.*

National Health Service (Mandate Requirements) Regulations 2017 *Not reported by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time expires 29 June.*

Other Instruments

Draft Airports National Policy Statement: new runway capacity and infrastructure at airports in the South East of England

Committees

Unless otherwise indicated, Committees meet in the Lords' rooms in the Committee Corridor. Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below. Further details of these meetings, and of planned further meetings, may be found in the House of Lords Committees Weekly Bulletin.

Tuesday 4 July

Science and Technology Committee	9.30am
EU Justice Sub-Committee	10.30am
Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 Committee	10.30am
Artificial Intelligence Committee	3.15pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	3.45pm
EU Select Committee	4.00pm

Wednesday 5 July

EU Financial Affairs Sub-Committee	10.00am
International Relations Committee	10.30am
EU Energy and Environment Sub-Committee	10.30am

Thursday 6 July

EU External Affairs Sub-Committee	10.00am
EU Internal Market Sub-Committee	10.00am

Tuesday 11 July

Economic Affairs Committee	3.30pm
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Wednesday 12 July

International Relations Committee	10.30am
House of Lords Commission	10.30am

Thursday 13 July

Services Committee	1.00pm
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Wednesday 19 July

Finance Committee	4.15pm
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Retirements

The following members of the House have given notice of their intention to retire.

Lord Feldman (30 June)

Baroness Trumpington (24 October)

Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday 29 June 2017

The House met at 11.00am.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Peterborough.

1 **Oaths and affirmations** The following Lords took and subscribed the oath, or made and subscribed the solemn affirmation, and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct:

Nicholas Bishop of Leeds

Henry Dennistoun Lord Stevenson of Coddensham

Augustine Thomas Lord O'Donnell

Public Business

2 **Child refugees** A question was asked by Lord Dubs and answered by Baroness Williams of Trafford.

3 **Police: senior posts** A question was asked by Lord Blair of Boughton and answered by Baroness Williams of Trafford.

4 **Equality: hung parliament** A question was asked by Baroness Burt of Solihull and answered by Baroness Vere of Norbiton.

5 **Universities: Teaching Excellence Framework** A question was asked by the Duke of Wellington and answered by Viscount Younger of Leckie.

6 **Registration of Marriage Bill [HL]** The Lord Bishop of Peterborough, on behalf of the Lord Bishop of St Albans, presented a bill to make provision about the registration of marriages. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 19)

7 **Open Skies Agreement (Membership) Bill [HL]** Baroness Randerson presented a bill to promote continued membership of the Open Skies Agreement. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 20)

8 **Ecumenical Marriage Bill [HL]** Lord Deben presented a bill to make provision for marriages taking place in any Church of England chapel licensed for the solemnization of marriages under sections 20 and 21 of the Marriage Act 1949 to be solemnized according to the rites and ceremonies of Christian denominations other than the Church of England. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 21)

9 **Family Relationships (Impact Assessment and Targets) Bill [HL]** Lord Farmer presented a bill to require public bodies to accompany any proposal for a change in public expenditure, administration or policy with a family impact assessment; and to require the Secretary of State to report on the costs and benefits of extending family impact assessments to local authorities and to establish and evaluate progress towards objectives and targets for family stability. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 22)

10 **Criminal Records Bill [HL]** Baroness Butler-Sloss, on behalf of Lord Ramsbotham, presented a bill to amend the length of time for which an individual may have a criminal record under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 23)

11 Deputy Chairmen of Committees The Senior Deputy Speaker moved that the following members be appointed to the panel of members to act as Deputy Chairmen of Committees for this session:

Bassam of Brighton, L.
Geddes, L.

Taylor of Holbeach, L.

The motion was agreed to.

12 Artificial Intelligence The Senior Deputy Speaker moved that a Select Committee be appointed to consider the economic, ethical and social implications of advances in artificial intelligence, and to make recommendations; and that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members be appointed to the Committee:

Bakewell, B.
Clement-Jones, L. (*Chairman*)
Giddens, L.
Grender, B.
Hollick, L.
Holmes of Richmond, L.
Levene of Portsoken, L.

Oxford, Bp.
Puttnam, L.
Ridley, V.
Rock, B.
St John of Bletso, L.
Swinfen, L.

That the Committee have power to appoint specialist advisers;

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records;

That the Committee have power to adjourn from place to place within the United Kingdom;

That the evidence taken by the Committee be published, if the Committee so wishes;

That the Committee do report by 31 March 2018;

That the Report of the Committee be printed, regardless of any adjournment of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

13 Citizenship and Civic Engagement The Senior Deputy Speaker moved that a Select Committee be appointed to consider citizenship and civic engagement, and to make recommendations; and that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members be appointed to the Committee:

Barker, B.
Blunkett, L.
Harries of Pentregarth, L.
Hodgson of Astley Abbots, L. (*Chairman*)
Lister of Burtsett, B.
Morris of Yardley, B.

Newlove, B.
Pitkeathley, B.
Redfern, B.
Rowe-Beddoe, L.
Stedman-Scott, B.
Verjee, L.

That the Committee have power to appoint specialist advisers;

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records;

That the Committee have power to adjourn from place to place within the United Kingdom;

That the evidence taken by the Committee be published, if the Committee so wishes;

That the Committee do report by 31 March 2018;

That the Report of the Committee be printed, regardless of any adjournment of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

14 Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 The Senior Deputy Speaker moved that a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report on the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006; and that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members be appointed to the Committee:

Arran, E.	Harrison, L.
Byford, B.	Mar, C.
Caithness, E.	Parminter, B.
Cameron of Dillington, L. (<i>Chairman</i>)	Scott of Bybrook, B.
Faulkner of Worcester, L.	Scott of Needham Market, B.
Foster of Bishop Auckland, L.	Whitaker, B.

That the Committee have power to appoint specialist advisers;

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records;

That the Committee have power to adjourn from place to place within the United Kingdom;

That the evidence taken by the Committee be published, if the Committee so wishes;

That the Committee do report by 31 March 2018;

That the Report of the Committee be printed, regardless of any adjournment of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

15 Political Polling and Digital Media The Senior Deputy Speaker moved that a Select Committee be appointed to consider the effects of political polling and digital media on politics, and to make recommendations; and that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members be appointed to the Committee:

Couttie, B.	Janke, B.
Fall, B.	Jay of Paddington, B.
Ford, B.	Lipsey, L. (<i>Chairman</i>)
Foulkes of Cumnock, L.	O'Neill of Bengarve, B.
Hayward, L.	Rennard, L.
Howarth of Newport, L.	Smith of Hindhead, L.

That the Committee have power to appoint specialist advisers;

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records;

That the Committee have power to adjourn from place to place within the United Kingdom;

That the evidence taken by the Committee be published, if the Committee so wishes;

That the Committee do report by 31 March 2018;

That the Report of the Committee be printed, regardless of any adjournment of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

16 **Queen's Speech** The debate was resumed on the motion that a Humble Address be presented to Her Majesty as follows:

“Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the most gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.”

After further debate, the motion was agreed to *nemine dissente*, and the Lord Chamberlain was ordered to present the Address to Her Majesty.

17 **Sky and 21st Century Fox: proposed merger** Lord Keen of Elie repeated a ministerial statement made in the House of Commons.

18 **Oaths** The following Lords took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct:

David Garfield Lord Davies of Coity

Bertram Stanley Mitford Lord Denham

The House adjourned at 6.12pm until Monday 3 July at 2.30pm.

Ed Ollard
Clerk of the Parliaments

Papers

All statutory instruments laid before the House are accompanied by an Explanatory Memorandum presented by command of Her Majesty, unless otherwise indicated.

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

1. 2017 Progress Report to Parliament by the Committee on Climate Change: Meeting Carbon Budgets: Closing the policy gap
2. 2017 Progress Report to Parliament by the Committee on Climate Change: Preparing for climate change
3. 2017 Progress Report to Parliament by the Committee on Climate Change: Reducing emissions and preparing for climate change: Summary and recommendations
4. Accounts of the Crown's Nominee 2016–17
5. Levy Account 2016–17
6. Main Non-Domestic Rating Account 2016–17
7. Report and Accounts of Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
8. Report and Accounts of Cheshire and Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
9. Report and Accounts of Kingston Hospital NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
10. Report and Accounts of Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust for 1 May 2016-31 March 2017
11. Report and Accounts of Mid Cheshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
12. Report and Accounts of Northamptonshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
13. Report and Accounts of Poole Hospital NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
14. Report and Accounts of Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
15. Report and Accounts of Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
16. Report and Accounts of South Tyneside NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
17. Report and Accounts of South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
18. Report and Accounts of Tameside and Glossop Integrated Care NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
19. Report and Accounts of the Coal Authority 2016–17
20. Report and Accounts of the Construction Industry Training Board 2016
21. Report and Accounts of the Engineering Construction Industry Training Board 2016
22. Report and Accounts of the Higher Education Funding Council for England 2016–17
23. Report and Accounts of The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
24. Report and Accounts of the Supreme Court 2016–17
25. Report and Accounts of West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
26. Report and Financial Statements of the Homes and Communities Agency 2016–17

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27. Report and Resource Accounts of the Public Prosecution Service for Northern Ireland 2016–17
28. Report, Accounts and Quality Accounts of Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17
29. Report, Accounts and Quality Report of Colchester Hospital University NHS Foundation Trust 2016–17