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TODAY'S LISTS
THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER 2022

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Business in the Chamber at 11.00am

Prayers by the Bishop of Carlisle (5 mins)

Introduction

**Lord Jackson of Peterborough, and
Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent will be introduced.**

Oral Questions (40 mins)

- * Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the contribution of (1) foreign mining companies, and (2) other external actors, to the conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. **(Lord Goldsmith of Richmond Park, FCDO)**
- * Baroness Sugg to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect media freedom around the world. **(Lord Goldsmith of Richmond Park, FCDO)**
- * Baroness Meyer to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Probate Department's recommended wait time for the granting of probate of 10 days is being achieved; and if not, (1) what is the current average waiting time, and (2) what steps they are taking to reduce the delay. **(Lord Bellamy, MoJ)**
- * Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of potential impact of rail strikes called for 24 to 27 December on (1) passenger services, and (2) rail maintenance projects, scheduled for this period. **(Baroness Vere of Norbiton, DfT)**

Questions on an Urgent Question made in the House of Commons on Wednesday 7 December (10 mins)

'To ask His Majesty's Government if they will make a statement on continued involvement by UK companies in Russia'. **Baroness Penn (HMT)**

Main Business

Viscount Chandos to move that this House takes note of the case for an arts and creative industries strategy to maintain the United Kingdom's global leadership within the sector and align the industries' economic benefits with the Government's levelling up agenda. (Time-limited to 3 hours)

Speakers:

- V Chandos
- B Andrews
- L Foster of Bath
- B Wheatcroft
- 5 L Griffiths of Burry Port
- L Aberdare
- L Howarth of Newport (V)
- L Storey
- L Cormack
- 10 B Bull
- B Whitaker
- V Stansgate
- L Shipley
- L Leong
- 15 L Londesborough
- B McIntosh of Hudnall
- B Crawley

- B Featherstone
- L Bassam of Brighton
- 20 L Parkinson of Whitley Bay
- V Chandos

Except for Viscount Chandos (15 mins), Baroness Featherstone (10 mins), Lord Bassam of Brighton (10 mins) and Lord Parkinson of Whitley Bay (20 mins), all speeches are limited to 7 mins

Topical Question for Short Debate

Baroness Chakrabarti to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Independent Cultural Review of the London Fire Brigade, published on 26 November. (Time-limited to 60 minutes)

Speakers:

- B Chakrabarti
- B Thornton

L Greenhalgh
L Davies of Brixton

- 5 B Pinnock
L Ponsonby of Shulbrede
L Murray of Blidworth

Except for Baroness Chakrabarti (10 minutes) and Lord Murray of Blidworth (12 minutes), all speeches are limited to 7 minutes.

Lord Watson of Invergowrie to move that this House takes note of the Independent Review of Children’s Social Care, published on 23 May, and the case for integrated care and support across all services. (Time-limited to 2 hours)

Speakers:

- L Watson of Invergowrie
L Farmer
B Morris of Yardley
B Taylor of Stevenage
5 B Drake
B Blake of Leeds
L Balfe
L Wood of Anfield
B Armstrong of Hill Top

10 B Tyler of Enfield
B Chapman of Darlington
B Barran
L Watson of Invergowrie

Except for Lord Watson of Invergowrie (15 mins), Baroness Tyler of Enfield (10 mins), Baroness Chapman of Darlington (10 mins) and Baroness Barran (20 mins), all speeches are limited to 8 mins

A Repeat of an Oral Statement taking place in the House of Commons today (40 mins)

‘Called-in planning decision: West Cumbria’ – Baroness Scott of Bybrook (DLUHC)

Estimated rising time

The House is expected to rise at around 7pm.

Notes:

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