

**Monday 4 September 2023 at 2.30pm***Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Mann** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to incentivise the clearance of hazardous waste from orphan sites.

†\***Lord Weir of Ballyholme** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the recommendations in the Alzheimer's Society report *Improving access to a timely and accurate diagnosis in England, Wales and Northern Ireland*, published in May, on ways to improve and futureproof the system for dementia diagnosis.

†\***Lord Coaker** to ask His Majesty's Government what recent assessment they have made of decisions to mark military vehicles as "beyond any economic repair" rather than provide them to NATO allies.

†\***Lord Harris of Haringey** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the commitment in their *UK Government Resilience Framework*, published in December 2022, when they expect to publish the Annual Statement to Parliament on civil contingencies risk and performance on resilience.

**Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill** Report (day 5) [Baroness Scott of Bybrook] *24th and 39th Reports from the Delegated Powers Committee. Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

**Future Business****Tuesday 5 September 2023 at 2.30pm***Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Bruce of Bennachie** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will place a cap on the amount of ODA-funded support provided by the Home Office for refugees who have reached the United Kingdom.

†\***Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the result of the recent election in Zimbabwe, and whether it was free and fair.

†\***Lord Teverson** to ask His Majesty's Government how they intend to decarbonise heating in order to meet the 2030 target of a 68 per cent reduction in emissions.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Wednesday 30 August, to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 1 September.*

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*[I] indicates that the member concerned has a relevant registered interest.*



†**Business of the House** The Lord Privy Seal (Lord True) to move that Standing Order 38(1) (*Arrangement of the Order Paper*) be dispensed with on Wednesday 6 September and Wednesday 13 September to enable Report stage of the Levelling-Up and Regeneration Bill to begin before oral questions on those days.

**Animals (Low-Welfare Activities Abroad) Bill** Committee [Lord Black of Brentwood]

**Veterans Advisory and Pensions Committees Bill** Committee [Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton]

**Worker Protection (Amendment of Equality Act 2010) Bill** Report [Baroness Burt of Solihull]

**Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill** Consideration of Commons Amendments [Lord Caine] *Scottish Legislative Consent withheld, Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought*

**Lifelong Learning (Higher Education Fee Limits) Bill** Report [Baroness Barran]

### **Wednesday 6 September 2023 at 11.00am**

†*If the Business of the House motion in the name of the Lord Privy Seal on Tuesday 5 September is agreed to, it is expected that the Report stage of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill will be taken as first business.*

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Baroness Greender** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect renters in the private sector who are seeking help with energy-saving improvements from eviction.

†\***Baroness Twycross** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of teacher shortages in schools in England, and what plans they have to address the issue.

†\***Earl Russell** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to address the growing backlog of asylum applications and to ensure new cases are processed in an efficient manner.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Thursday 31 August, to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 4 September.*

**Online Safety Bill** Third Reading [Lord Parkinson of Whitley Bay] *Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent granted*

†*It is expected that the Report stage of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill will continue.*

### **Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4.15pm**

**Baroness Lane-Fox of Soho** to move that the Grand Committee takes note of the Report from the COVID-19 Committee *Beyond Digital: Planning for a Hybrid World* (1st Report, Session 2019–21, HL Paper 263).

**Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to move that the Grand Committee takes note of the Report from the Children and Families Act 2014 Committee *A Failure of implementation* (HL Paper 100).

### **Thursday 7 September 2023 at 11.00am**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Wallace of Saltaire** to ask His Majesty's Government what provision they are making in budgetary contingencies for future years for a United Kingdom contribution to post-conflict reconstruction of Ukraine.

†\***Lord Collins of Highbury** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the five solutions to global famine proposed by the President of the International Rescue Committee to the United Nations Security Council High-Level Open Debate on Conflict-Induced Food Insecurity and Famine on 3 August.

†\***Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the recent decisions by the governments of (1) Victoria, Australia, and (2) Alberta, Canada, to withdraw from bids to host the Commonwealth Games in 2026 and 2030.

†*Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 1 September; to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 5 September.*

**Lord Soames of Fletching** to move that this House takes note of the role of the Armed Forces and the United Kingdom’s defence policy.

†**Baroness Garden of Frogna** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to ensure that life skills and citizenship are taught in primary and secondary schools. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

**Lord Howell of Guildford** to move that this House takes note of the role of nuclear energy in securing the future energy supply.

### ***Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm***

**Northern Ireland (Ministerial Appointment Functions) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Caine]

†**Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure (Security Requirements for Relevant Connectable Products) Regulations 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Viscount Camrose] *48th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

### **Monday 11 September 2023 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty’s Government what they assess to be a sustainable level of clothing sales by volume and material in the United Kingdom.

†\***The Lord Bishop of Leeds** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the impact of sanctions against Russia in the wake of its invasion of Ukraine.

†\***Lord Browne of Ladyton** to ask His Majesty’s Government what is the total number of National Crime Agency staff dedicated to the prevention or investigation of (1) fraud, and (2) economic crime.

†\***Lord Watson of Wyre Forest** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they have taken to aid and support the women of Afghanistan since the departure of United Kingdom armed forces.

### ***Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm***

**Lord Jay of Ewelme** to move that the Grand Committee takes note of the Report from the European Affairs Committee *Report from the Sub-Committee on the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland: Follow-up report* (2nd Report, HL Paper 57).

**The Earl of Kinnoull** to move that the Grand Committee takes note of the Report from the European Affairs Committee *Citizens’ Rights* (1st Report, Session 2021–22, HL Paper 46).

## Tuesday 12 September 2023 at 2.30pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Young of Cookham** to ask His Majesty's Government in what year they expect to reach their target of building 300,000 new homes a year.

†\***Lord Clark of Windermere** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to increase the number of staff working in the NHS.

†\***Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of sugar on children's health.

## Wednesday 13 September 2023 at 3.00pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Viscount Stansgate** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for the United Kingdom to join Horizon Europe.

†\***Baroness Boycott** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impacts of deep sea bed mining on (1) ocean health, and (2) the wider environment; and what discussions they have had with (a) the International Seabed Authority, and (b) its member nations, on permitting deep seabed mining

†\***Lord Leigh of Hurley** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support small and medium-sized enterprises in raising finance in a period of high interest rates.

## Thursday 14 September 2023 at 11.00am

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Woodley** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to prevent employers from using fire and rehire tactics.

†\***Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Foreign Secretary's speech on 1 August, what plans they have to deliver successful UK partnerships with countries in Africa.

†\***Lord Holmes of Richmond** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the (1) economic, and (2) environmental, benefits arising from the Electronic Trade Documents Act 2023; and what plans they have to communicate those benefits to relevant stakeholders, including small and medium-sized enterprises.

## *Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm*

†**Lord Butler of Brockwell** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Sharpe of Epsom on 24 July (HL9391), when they plan to introduce legislation to enable prescribing of controlled drugs by paramedic independent prescribers, as well as other changes to the use of controlled drugs in healthcare. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

†**Lord Herbert of South Downs** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to support the horseracing and bloodstock industries. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

†**Lord Polak** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to ensure the success of the Abraham Accords. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

†**Lord Black of Brentwood** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to improve access to, and quality of, services in England for people with osteoporosis and those at risk of fractures, including Fracture Liaison Services. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

### **Monday 18 September 2023 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Tunncliffe** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of reductions in Ministry of Defence day-to-day spending on remuneration, housing and family support for members of the armed forces.

†\***Lord Harries of Pentregarth** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to expedite the re-opening of Hammersmith Bridge for traffic.

†\***Baroness Wheeler** to ask His Majesty's Government what additional funding is being made available for the implementation of the Department for Health and Social Care's Major Conditions Strategy.

†\***Lord Fox** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made towards engagement with the semiconductors manufacturing sector concerning funding to support future manufacturing in the United Kingdom, as set out in the Semiconductor Strategy, published on 19 May.

### **Tuesday 19 September 2023 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Baroness Taylor of Stevenage** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of inflation on local authorities' budgets; and how many local authorities they estimate will issue Section 114 notices in this financial year.

†\***Baroness Thornton** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they plan to take to address the pay inequality experienced by Black, Asian and other minoritised women as identified in a report by the Fawcett Society, *Ethnicity Motherhood Pay Penalty*, published on 31 July.

†\***Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the causes of a reduction of 16 per cent in applications to nursing courses in England compared to last year, according to UCAS data for the 2023 application cycle.

### **Wednesday 20 September 2023 at 3.00pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Baroness Quin** to ask His Majesty's Government what recent discussions they have had with the Railway Group and train operators about proposed station ticket office closures.

†\***Lord Carrington** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in assisting British farmers to meet net zero challenges.

†\***Lord Roberts of Llandudno** to ask His Majesty's Government whether adequate provisions have been implemented to prevent the spread of infections on barges used to house migrants.

### **Thursday 21 September 2023 at 11.00am**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Lord Snape** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that local authorities in England have sufficient resources to meet planned house building targets.

†\***Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of current and expected future troop levels of the UK armed forces in relation to fulfilling their NATO obligations.

†\***Baroness Walmsley** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the abandonment of mandatory food waste reporting on the cost of living.

## Select Committee Reports

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

**Lord Bridges of Headley** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Economic Affairs Committee *Investing in energy: price, security, and the transition to net zero* (1st Report, HL Paper 49). *21 July 2022*

**Lord Bridges of Headley** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Economic Affairs Committee *Where have all the workers gone?* (2nd Report, HL Paper 115). *20 December 2022*

**Baroness Andrews** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Adult Social Care Committee *A “gloriously ordinary life”: spotlight on adult social care* (HL Paper 99). *8 December 2022*

**Lord Hollick** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Industry and Regulators Committee *The affluent and the effluent: cleaning up failures in water and sewage regulation* (1st Report, HL Paper 166). *22 March*

**Baroness Hamwee** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Justice and Home Affairs Committee *All families matter: An inquiry into family migration* (1st Report, HL Paper 144). *23 February*

**The Earl of Kinnoull** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Affairs Committee *The future UK–EU relationship* (4th Report, HL Paper 184). *29 April*

## Questions for Short Debate

*These Questions for Short Debate were drawn in the ballot on Tuesday 25 July in line with the recommendations of the 1st Report of the Procedure and Privileges Committee (Session 2021–22, HL Paper 41). These questions may be used as dinner break business or last business if time is available.*

†**Lord Bowness** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the current state of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe; and what steps they are taking to secure its future.

†**Baroness Helic** to ask His Majesty’s Government what consideration they have given to the security and political situation in the Western Balkans and challenges to the Dayton Peace Agreement within and outside Bosnia and Herzegovina.

†**Lord Harries of Pentregarth** to ask His Majesty’s Government what consultations they are having with European and other partners on how best to manage the likely migration as a result of climate change.

†**Lord Lipsey** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to reintroduce the Private Parking Code of Practice for private parking operators that was withdrawn in June 2022.

†**Lord Boateng** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to address inequalities in access to musical education in school.

†**Lord Swire** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of current relations with North Korea.

†**Baroness Jenkin of Kennington** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the impact of ultra-processed foods on children’s health.

†**Lord Grocott** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the 5th Report of the Lord Speaker’s committee on the size of the House.

†**Lord Woodley** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to strengthen employment rights.

†**Lord Pearson of Rannoch** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of Islamist extremism in the United Kingdom.

†**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the implementation of the Border Target Operating Model and its relationship with the Windsor Framework.

†**Lord Morse** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to initiate a cross-party debate on long-term national ambitions for public health, social care and healthcare.

†**Baroness Quin** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce bureaucracy and non-tariff barriers affecting trade between the United Kingdom and the European Union.

†**The Lord Bishop of Durham** to ask His Majesty's Government, following the publication of the report of the Archbishops' Commission on Families and Households, 'Love Matters', on 26 April, what steps they are taking to support all loving relationships to enable the flourishing of individuals, families, and communities.

†**Lord Watson of Invergowrie** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to assess and improve the condition of school buildings.



## Questions for Written Answer

*Tabled on 25 July and due for answer by 8 August.*

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the risk of the Wagner group attacking Poland from Belarus; and what steps they are taking with other NATO countries to support Poland in protecting its borders from any risk of an attack. HL9667

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government how many legal abortions have taken place (1) cumulatively, and (2) annually, in Great Britain in each year since 1993. HL9668

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what is the current annual cost to the National Health Service of carrying out abortions; and what is its estimate of the total cost to the National Health Service of carrying out abortions in the last 30 years HL9669

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government which Minister will represent the Government at the Preparatory Committee for the 2026 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT), scheduled to hold its first session from 31 July to 11 August 2023 at the Vienna International Centre in Austria; and what proposals will the UK present to the PrepCom. HL9670

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government whether UK Ministers and/or officials who represent the UK at the Preparatory Committee for the 2026 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) will (1) participate fully in discussions with the Russian delegation about preparations for the 2023 RevCon, and (2) make representations to the Russian delegation about the invasion of Ukraine. HL9671

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to consult with civil society organisations about the proposals they will put to the Preparatory Committee for the 2026 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) which is scheduled to hold its first session from 31 July to 11 August 2023 at the Vienna International Centre in Austria; and which civil society organisations have submitted their views to the Government in advance of PrepCom. HL9672

**Lord Bailey of Paddington** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they are having with universities about the marking of students' examination and assessment papers given the current industrial action by university staff; and whether they plan to require universities to reimburse students whose papers have not been marked. HL9673

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effectiveness of garment recycling offered by retailers; and what regulations and checks of compliance apply to such services. HL9674

**Lord Birt** to ask His Majesty's Government why there is a delay in connecting already installed electric vehicle chargepoints in motorway service areas to an appropriate power supply. HL9675

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to address delays to postal deliveries by Royal Mail. HL9676

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of delays in Royal Mail deliveries on the delivery of medicines. HL9677

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of available compensation measures for Royal Mail customers who have experienced problems receiving deliveries; and what plans they have to publicise those compensation measures to members of the public. HL9678

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the state of preparedness to deal with bush fires in hot weather. HL9679

**Lord Butler of Brockwell** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Sharpe of Epsom on 24 July (HL9391), whether the legislation needed to enable prescribing of controlled drugs by paramedic independent prescribers is capable of being made by statutory instrument; and if so, what is the reason for their delay in making it. HL9680

**Lord Clement-Jones** to ask His Majesty's Government how many automated decision-making systems currently in use by the Treasury are used (even partially) to make decisions that affect people's legal rights or entitlements; and how many of those systems have publicly available equality impact assessments and/or data protection impact assessments. HL9681

**Lord Clement-Jones** to ask His Majesty's Government how many automated decision-making systems currently in use by the Ministry of Justice are used (even partially) to make decisions that affect people's legal rights or entitlements; and how many of those have publicly available equality impact assessments and/or data protection impact assessments. HL9682

**Baroness Finlay of Llandaff** to ask His Majesty's Government how many babies born in England between January 2012 and December 2022 had neural tube defects; and how many pregnancies were terminated in that period because of neural tube defects. HL9683

**Lord Grocott** to ask His Majesty's Government who are the Trade Envoys; to which country each Trade Envoy has been assigned; and what is the party affiliation of each Trade Envoy and the length of time in post. HL9684

**Baroness Hamwee** to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect to appoint a Victims Commissioner. HL9685

**Baroness Hamwee** to ask His Majesty's Government when they expect to appoint an Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner. HL9686

**Baroness Hamwee** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Murray of Blidworth on 30 December 2022 (HL4283) that the Home Office intended to set out their plans to review the *Life in the UK* handbook as part of wider nationality reforms "in the first half of next year", and further to the letter dated 7 September 2022 from the then Minister for Safe and Legal Migration to the Justice and Home Affairs Committee, what is the timetable for their review of the handbook. HL9687

**Baroness Hamwee** to ask His Majesty's Government on what date they expect the EU will bring into force ETIAS (the European Travel Information and Authorisation System) and the EES (Entry / Exit System); what progress has been made in preparation for physical arrangements for crossing the border with EU Member States under these systems; and what agreement for these the Government has reached with the Police aux Frontières. HL9688

**Lord Hayward** to ask His Majesty's Government what were the unemployment percentage rates in each parliamentary constituency in April 2010; and what are the equivalent percentages per constituency for July 2023. HL9689

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government how they are supporting women's groups and women human rights defenders in Yemen. HL9690

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government what support they are providing, and what practical steps they are taking, to ensure civil society, including women's rights organisations, women's human rights defenders and youth organisations, are involved in Yemen's peace process. HL9691

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government what representations have been made to the Commonwealth Secretariat to ensure that the Commonwealth will have election monitors in place in Zimbabwe before the elections on 23 August. HL9692

**Lord Lamont of Lerwick** to ask His Majesty’s Government what guidance, if any, they give to the management of NatWest about their expectations, in managing their 38.6% shareholding in that company. HL9693

**Lord Lamont of Lerwick** to ask His Majesty’s Government whether, as 38.6% shareholders in NatWest, they will request the company to investigate the briefings provided to the BBC about the alleged financial position of Nigel Farage. HL9694

**Lord Lamont of Lerwick** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made, given their 38.6% shareholding in NatWest, of the descriptions of the “purpose” and “values” of NatWest in the papers released to Nigel Farage. HL9695

**Lord Lamont of Lerwick** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made, given their 38.6% shareholding in NatWest, of the decision by NatWest to give no loans for new oil and gas projects. HL9696

**Lord Mancroft** to ask His Majesty’s Government how many members of (1) the House of Lords, and (2) the House of Commons, designated as politically exposed persons within the terms of the Money Laundering Regulations 2007 and its successor legislation have been (a) investigated, (b) prosecuted and, (c) convicted in relation to offences of money laundering or bribery in each of the past five years. HL9697

**Lord Mancroft** to ask His Majesty’s Government how many family members of those members of (1) the House of Lords, and (2) the House of Commons, who are designated as politically exposed persons within the terms of the Money Laundering Regulations 2007 and its successor legislation have been (a) investigated, (b) prosecuted and, (c) convicted in relation to offences of money laundering or bribery in each of the past five years. HL9698

**Lord Mancroft** to ask His Majesty’s Government how many people are designated as politically exposed persons in the UK; and how many relevant convictions for money laundering and/or bribery offences there have been since the Money Laundering Regulations 2007 were enacted. HL9699

**Lord Mann** to ask His Majesty’s Government how many immigrants arrived in the UK (1) legally, and (2) illegally, in each calendar year since 2015. HL9700

**Lord Mann** to ask His Majesty’s Government how many seasonal agricultural workers there have been in 2023 so far through the seasonal agricultural workers scheme; and from which countries those workers originated. HL9701

**Lord Pearson of Rannoch** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Barran on 13 July (HL8942), how many incidents of bomb threats to schools or death threats to teachers there have been in the past 10 years; and how many of those threats were made by Islamist individuals or groups. HL9702

**Lord Pearson of Rannoch** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Sharpe of Epsom on 13 July (HL8940), whether they have taken any action to protect teachers from any threats to their safety made by Islamist groups. HL9703

**Lord Pearson of Rannoch** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Barran on 11 July (HL 8841), following the decision by the Teaching Regulation Authority to impose a prohibition order on Joshua Sutcliffe, whether they will publish guidance to clarify whether teachers may refer to pupils by their legal and biological gender. HL9704

**Lord Pearson of Rannoch** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Sharpe of Epsom on 27 June (HL8551), what criteria are used to determine whether groups or individuals have a “far right outlook”. HL9705

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to address the gaps in learning for disabled children who need to be absent from school more often than their peers. HL9706

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the provision of education for disabled children who have long periods of absence from schools. HL9707

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Children's Commissioner report *Beyond the labels: A SEND system which works for every child, every time*, published in November 2022, which found that "children with SEND are overrepresented in terms of low attendance at school", what plans they have to reform approaches to school attendance to incorporate the needs of disabled children. HL9708

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have undertaken of the future implementation of the Tobacco and Related Products (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023. HL9709

**Lord Rogan** to ask His Majesty's Government whether any operational tours of the armed services are currently being conducted in Northern Ireland; and if so, what are the names of the operations and whether operational service medals will be awarded. HL9710

**Lord Rogan** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the evidence provided by the British Veterinary Association to the House of Lords Sub-Committee on the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland in their inquiry on the Windsor Framework, which stated that in the current form "failure to obtain a permanent solution could see Northern Ireland lose access to 51% of the veterinary medicines it currently receives"; and what action they intend to take in response to address any reduction in access to veterinary medicines. HL9711

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the use of transcranial magnetic stimulation in treating (1) alcoholism, (2) problem gambling, (3) depression, and (4) substance disorders. HL9712

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government how much aid they have provided to South Sudan since the start of the conflict in that country earlier this year. HL9713

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with (1) Sudanese Armed Forces, (2) Rapid Support Forces, and (3) the Sudan People's Liberation Movement-North, about the ongoing conflict in Sudan. HL9714

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to restrict the climate impact of London Luton Airport. HL9715

**Lord Shipley** to ask His Majesty's Government how many new homes have been built so far during the current Parliament; how many are conversions from offices and retail and are not newly built; and how many are suitable for family occupation with a garden or play space as part of the property. HL9716

**Lord Storey** to ask His Majesty's Government what percentage of graduates have not reached the salary level to start repaying their student loan. HL9717

**Baroness Sugg** to ask His Majesty's Government when safe access zones around abortion clinics will be implemented, following the granting of Royal Assent to the Public Order Act on 2 May 2023. HL9718

**Baroness Taylor of Bolton** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the email from the Secretary of State for Education to school leaders and others on 20 July entitled 'Thank you for your work this year', (1) how many people were sent that email, (2) what proportion of recipients were sent it by virtue of (a) having signed up to receive it, (b) being school leaders, or (c) both, (3) what were the open rates for that email in respect of each of the categories above, and (4) what codes of guidance around the political nature of emails govern the (i) tone, and (ii) content, sent to headteachers by the Secretary of State. HL9719

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to provide financial support to companies affected by rising interest rates. HL9720

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that gig economy workers (1) rights, and (2) job security, are protected during technological advancement in that sector. HL9721

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to enhance the UK's economic competitiveness and resilience. HL9722

**Lord Truscott** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Scott of Bybrook on 20 July (HL9153), whether legislation in the Renters (Reform) Bill will override leases in apartment blocks which ban short lets. HL9723

**Lord Watson of Invergowrie** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of Achieving for Children, a community interest company created in 2014 by the Royal Borough of Kingston and the London Borough of Richmond to provide their children's services; and whether they plan to promote this model for use by other local authorities. HL9724

**Viscount Waverley** to ask His Majesty's Government, with regard to the visit to the UK by Bakhtiyor Saidov, the Foreign Minister of Uzbekistan, on 24 July, what priority areas were put forward in discussion by (1) Uzbekistan, (2) the UK; and when they anticipate that a return visit will take place to Uzbekistan by the Foreign Secretary or another Secretary of State. HL9725

**Lord Weir of Ballyholme** to ask His Majesty's Government what is the Full Time Equivalent number of teachers employed in state schools in England in each of the last five years; and what is the corresponding pupil teacher ratio for each of these years. HL9726

**Lord Weir of Ballyholme** to ask His Majesty's Government what initiatives or incentives are planned to either attract new entrants into the profession of teaching or to ensure retention of teaching staff within the profession. HL9727

**Lord Weir of Ballyholme** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the preparedness of the Health Service and Social Care system to take full advantage of the benefits of new drugs to treat and alleviate dementia should they become approved and available. HL9728

**Lord Weir of Ballyholme** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure a swift roll out of new drugs to treat dementia should they become approved and available. HL9729

**Lord Weir of Ballyholme** to ask His Majesty's Government what resource commitment they are providing to enable the translation of medical research into implementation in practice. HL9730

**Lord Weir of Ballyholme** to ask His Majesty's Government what customs declarations, payments and paperwork, businesses in Great Britain will be required to complete when sending postal packets to Northern Ireland when sending to (1) an individual consumer, and (2) a business. HL9731

**Baroness Whitaker** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in implementing the recommendations of the Fifth Opinion on the United Kingdom of the Council of Europe's Advisory Committee on the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities in respect of the Gypsy, Traveller and Roma communities. HL9732

**Baroness Wolf of Dulwich** to ask His Majesty's Government how many apprenticeships started at (1) Level 6, and (2) Level 7, in (a) 2020–21, and (b) 2021–22, by individuals who already hold qualifications at this level; and of those, how many also had university degrees. HL9733

## Questions unanswered after 10 working days

*The questions asked on the dates shown in bold were due for answer by the dates in brackets. The government department responsible for answering each question is shown in square brackets.*

### **12 July** (26 July)

HL9297 Earl Russell [Home Office]

### **18 July** (1 August)

HL9480 Lord Watson of Wyre Forest [Department for Business and Trade]

### **20 July** (3 August)

HL9585 Lord Watson of Wyre Forest [Department for Business and Trade]

HL9578 Lord Taylor of Warwick [Department for Science, Innovation and Technology]

*Number of questions allocated to each department which are unanswered after 10 working days*

Business and Trade (2)

Home Office (1)

Science, Innovation and Technology (1)

**Bills in Progress**

	<b>Type of Bill</b>	<b>To be considered</b>
<b>Referred to the Examiners</b>		
High Speed Rail (Crewe–Manchester) Bill: Additional Provision	Government	5 September
<b>Waiting for Second Reading</b>		
Private Burial Grounds and Cemeteries Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Employment and Trade Union Rights (Dismissal and Re-engagement) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Marine Protected Areas (Bottom Trawling) Bill [HL] ( <i>King's consent to be signified</i> )	Private Member's	
Marriage (Same Sex Couples) (Overseas Territories) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Road Traffic Offences (Cycling) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Inheritance Tax Act 1984 (Amendment) (Siblings) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Wellbeing of Future Generations Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Certificate of Loss Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Leasehold Reform (Reasonableness of Service Charges) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Leasehold Reform (Disclosure and Insurance Commissions) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) (Abolition of By-Elections) (No. 2) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Marriage Act 1949 (Amendment) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Regulated and Other Activities (Mandatory Reporting of Child Sexual Abuse) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Public Service (Integrity and Ethics) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Strategic Litigation Against Public Participation (Freedom of Expression) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Leasehold Reform (Tribunal Judgments and Legal Costs) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Higher Education (Widening Access and Participation) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Bank Holidays (Wales) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Leasehold Reform (Forfeiture) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Protection of Care Recipients and Carers Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
International Higher Education and Research Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL]	Private	
<b>Committed to a Committee of the Whole House</b>		
Genocide Determination Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
House of Lords (Peerage Nominations) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Health Promotion Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
School (Reform of Pupil Selection) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Protection for Whistleblowing Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Education (Non-religious Philosophical Convictions) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Water Safety (Curriculum) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Hunting Trophies (Import Prohibition) Bill	Private Member's	

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Public Advocate Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Firearms Bill	Private Member's	
Animals (Low-Welfare Activities Abroad) Bill	Private Member's	5 September
Veterans Advisory and Pensions Committees Bill	Private Member's	5 September
Pensions (Extension of Automatic Enrolment) (No. 2) Bill	Private Member's	
<b>Waiting for Report</b>		
Northern Ireland Protocol Bill ( <i>King's consent to be signified. Welsh Legislative Consent withheld, Scottish and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	
Front-loaded Child Benefit Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill ( <i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought, King's and Prince of Wales's consents to be signified</i> )	Government	4 September
Non-Domestic Rating Bill ( <i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	
Lifelong Learning (Higher Education Fee Limits) Bill	Government	5 September
Worker Protection (Amendment of Equality Act 2010) Bill	Private Member's	5 September
<b>Waiting for Third Reading</b>		
Schools Bill [HL]	Government	
Local Authority (Housing Allocation) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Powers of Attorney Bill ( <i>Scottish Legislative Consent granted</i> )	Private Member's	
Workers (Predictable Terms and Conditions) Bill	Private Member's	
Protection from Sex-based Harassment in Public Bill ( <i>Welsh Legislative Consent granted</i> )	Private Member's	
Online Safety Bill ( <i>Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent granted</i> )	Government	6 September
Bishop's Stortford Cemetery Bill [HL]	Private	
<b>Sent to the Commons</b>		
Clean Air (Human Rights) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Domestic Premises (Electrical Safety Certificate) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Universal Credit (Removal of Two Child Limit) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Heritage Railways and Tramways (Voluntary Work) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Ecology Bill [HL] ( <i>formerly Climate and Ecology Bill [HL]</i> )	Private Member's	
Energy Bill [HL] ( <i>Scottish, Welsh, and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	
Healthy Homes Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Government of Wales (Devolved Powers) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
OFCOM (Duty regarding Prevention of Serious Self-harm and Suicide) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Coroners (Determination of Suicide) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Women, Peace and Security Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
<b>Returned to the Commons amended</b>		
Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill ( <i>Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent granted, Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	



**Waiting for Consideration of Commons Amendments**

Procurement Bill [HL] ( <i>Scottish Legislative Consent granted, Welsh Legislative Consent granted in part</i> )	Government	
Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill ( <i>Scottish Legislative Consent withheld, Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	5 September

**Statutory Instruments in Progress****Affirmative Instruments waiting for consideration by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments**

Draft Public Charge Point Regulations 2023 *48th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Environmental Civil Sanctions (England) (Amendment) Order 2023 *48th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) (Amendment) (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 *48th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Courts (Prescribed Recordings) Order 2023

Draft Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage Requirements) (No. 2) Regulations 2023

Draft Companies (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications, Deemed Applications, Requests and Site Visits) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020 (Services Exclusions) Regulations 2023

**Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution**

Draft Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *47th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Mayoral and Police and Crime Commissioner Elections, Recall Petitions and Referendums (Ballot Secrecy, Candidates and Undue Influence) Regulations 2023 *47th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Representation of the People (Franchise Amendment and Eligibility Review) Regulations 2023 *47th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Representation of the People (Postal and Proxy Voting etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *47th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Northern Ireland (Ministerial Appointment Functions) Regulations 2023 (*7 September*)

Draft Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure (Security Requirements for Relevant Connectable Products) Regulations 2023 *48th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (7 September)*

**Negative Instruments**

Seed Marketing (Heterogeneous Material) (Temporary Experiment) (England) Regulations 2023 *45th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 6 September*

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Persistent Organic Pollutants (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *47th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 16 September*

Drivers' Hours and Tachographs (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *47th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 16 October*

Criminal and Civil Legal Aid (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *47th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 20 September*

Social Security (Contributions) (Amendment No. 4) Regulations 2023 *47th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 16 October*

Administration of Estates Act 1925 (Fixed Net Sum) Order 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 47th Report. Praying time ends 16 October*

Environmental Offences (Fixed Penalties) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2023 *48th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 21 October*

Early Years Foundation Stage (Learning and Development and Welfare Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *48th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 23 October*

Criminal Justice (Specified Class A Drugs) Order 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 48th Report. Praying time ends 23 October*

### **Proposed Negative Statutory Instrument laid under the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023**

Aviation Statistics Regulations 2023 *Sifting period expires 18 September*

### **Treaties before the House**

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Swiss Confederation on Recognition of Professional Qualifications *Scrutiny period expires: 6 September*

Council of Europe Convention on an Integrated Safety, Security and Service Approach at Football Matches and Other Sports Events *Scrutiny period expires: 7 September*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and Canada concerning Air Services *Scrutiny period expires: 18 September*

Convention on Social Security Coordination between Iceland, the Principality of Liechtenstein, the Kingdom of Norway and the United Kingdom *Scrutiny period expires: 18 October*

Protocol to amend the International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas *Scrutiny period expires: 24 October*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines concerning Air Services *Scrutiny period expires: 30 October*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Azerbaijan on International Road Transport *Scrutiny period expires: 30 October*

## COMMITTEES

### Committees

*Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below.*

#### **Tuesday 5 September**

International Relations and Defence Committee	Norway	9.00am
Built Environment Committee		10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee		2.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee		3.00pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 1	3.45pm
European Affairs Committee		4.00pm
International Agreements Committee	Room 2A	4.00pm

#### **Wednesday 6 September**

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	9.20am
Environment and Climate Change Committee		10.00am
Constitution Committee	Archbishops' Room, Millbank House	10.00am
Human Rights (Joint Committee)		2.45pm
Public Services Committee		3.00pm
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm

#### **Thursday 7 September**

Horticultural Sector Committee		10.00am
AI in Weapon Systems Committee		10.00am
Education for 11–16 Year Olds Committee		11.00am

#### **Monday 11 September**

National Security Strategy (Joint Committee)	Room 4A	4.00pm
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#### **Tuesday 12 September**

Science and Technology Committee		10.00am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee		10.30am

#### **Wednesday 13 September**

Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland Sub-Committee		3.00pm
Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm

#### **Thursday 14 September**

Standing Orders (Private Bills) Committee	Room 2	10.15am
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#### **Thursday 21 September**

Liaison Committee	Room 1	9.15am
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#### **Monday 4 December**

Restoration and Renewal Client Board	The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House	5.00pm
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## Minutes of Proceedings of Tuesday 25 July 2023

*The House met at 11.00am.*

*Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Carlisle.*

1 **Oath** Ian Terence Lord Botham took and subscribed the oath.

2 **Retirements** The Senior Deputy Speaker (Lord Gardiner of Kimble) informed the House that the following members of the House had retired under section 1 of the House of Lords Reform Act 2014 with effect from 25 July:

Lord Davies of Stamford

Lord Watson of Richmond

Lord Hoyle

3 **Notification of absence** The Lord Speaker notified the House of his absence from 24 to 25 July.

### Select Committee Report

#### 4 **Secondary Legislation Scrutiny**

The following Report from the Select Committee was made and ordered to be printed:

Drawn to the special attention of the House:

Criminal Justice (Specified Class A Drugs) Order 2023

Correspondence:

Administration of Estates Act 1925 (Fixed Net Sum) Order 2023

Includes information paragraphs on:

Draft Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure (Security Requirements for Relevant Connectable Products) Regulations 2023

Draft Public Charge Point Regulations

Draft Environmental Civil Sanctions (England) (Amendment) Order 2023 and two related instruments

Early Years Foundation Stage (Learning and Development and Welfare Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations 2023. (48th Report, HL Paper 240)

### Public Business

5 **Creative and cultural industries: impact of visa and immigration policies** A question was asked by Baroness Bonham-Carter of Yarnbury and answered by Lord Murray of Blidworth.

6 **Respiratory syncytial virus** A question was asked by Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick and answered by Lord Markham.

7 **Folic acid fortification** A question was asked by Lord Rooker and answered by Lord Markham.

8 **T-levels** A question was asked by Lord Watson of Invergowrie and answered by Baroness Barran.

9 **Rhodes wildfires: repatriation of holidaymakers** A private notice question was asked by Lord Young of Cookham and answered by the Earl of Courtown.

10 **Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) Order 2023** Lord Murray of Blidworth moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 6 June be approved. The motion was agreed to.

11 **Police Act 1997 (Criminal Record Certificates: Relevant Matter) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Order 2023** Lord Murray of Blidworth, on behalf of Lord Sharpe of Epsom, moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 19 June be approved. The motion was agreed to.

12 **Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (Amendment) Order 2023** Lord Harlech moved that the draft Order laid before the House on 6 June be approved. The motion was agreed to.

13 **Tobacco and Related Products (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023** Lord Markham moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 12 June be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

14 **Human Medicines (Amendment Relating to Original Pack Dispensing) (England and Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2023** Lord Markham moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 29 June be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

15 **Land Use in England Committee report** Lord Cameron of Dillington moved that this House takes note of the Report from the Land Use in England Committee *Making the most out of England's land* (HL Paper 105). After debate, the motion was agreed to.

16 **International Higher Education and Research Bill [HL]** The Explanatory Notes on the bill were ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 165–EN)

*The House adjourned at 3.10pm until Monday 4 September at 2.30pm.*

**Simon Burton**  
*Clerk of the Parliaments*

## **Paper**

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

## **Command Paper**

The following paper was presented to the House by command of His Majesty:

1 Justice—Government Response to the Consultation on Increasing the use of mediation in the civil justice system. (897)



