

**Tuesday 30 January 2024 at 2.30pm***Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Viscount Stansgate** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress has been made since the United Kingdom re-joined Horizon Europe.

\***Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the Household Support Fund; and what plans they have for (1) the future of the fund, and (2) the role of local crisis support generally.

\***Lord Wood of Anfield** to ask His Majesty's Government what regulation they are planning in response to the findings of a recent investigation by the *Observer* that private equity firms' investments in children's care homes in England have doubled since 2018.

\***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effect of the suspension of negotiations for a trade deal with Canada.

**Modern Slavery Act 2015** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that Baroness O'Grady of Upper Holloway be appointed a member of the Select Committee, in place of Baroness Henig; and that Baroness O'Grady of Upper Holloway be appointed Chair of the Select Committee.

**Investigatory Powers (Amendment) Bill [HL]** Third Reading [Lord Sharpe of Epsom] *Scottish Legislative Consent sought*

**Pedicabs (London) Bill [HL]** Report [Lord Davies of Gower]

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

**General Aviation (Persons on Board, Flight Information and Civil Penalties) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Gascoigne]

**National Crime Agency (Directed Tasking) Order 2023** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Gascoigne]

**Maternity Leave, Adoption Leave and Shared Parental Leave (Amendment) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Offord of Garvel]

**Post Office Network Subsidy Scheme (Amendment) Order 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Offord of Garvel] *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

*The following two motions are expected to be debated together:*

**Combined Authorities (Mayors) Filling of Vacancies Order 2017 (Amendment) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Scott of Bybrook]

**Combined Authorities (Mayoral Elections) Order 2017 (Amendment) Regulations 2024** Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Scott of Bybrook]

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



## Future Business

### Wednesday 31 January 2024 at 3.00pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Baroness Taylor of Stevenage** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the increasing levels of homelessness among former armed forces personnel; and what steps they are taking to tackle homelessness among veterans.

\***Lord Harries of Pentregarth** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce the number of suicides in prisons in England and Wales.

\***Baroness Quin** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to meet representatives of small and medium-sized enterprises to discuss non-tariff barriers to trade between the United Kingdom and European Union.

†\***The Lord Bishop of Manchester** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on local authority finances caused by the rising cost of temporary accommodation.

**Victims and Prisoners Bill** Committee (day 2) [Lord Bellamy] *Welsh Legislative Consent sought, 7th Report from the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee, 1st Report from the Constitution Committee*

**Baroness Sater** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the financial literacy of children through the provision of financial education in schools. (*Dinner break business, 1 hour*)

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

†**Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill** Committee (day 4) [Lord Offord of Garvel] *Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought, 3rd Report from the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee*

### Thursday 1 February 2024 at 11.00am

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Naseby** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have plans to review the effect on public services of civil servants working from home.

\***Earl Russell** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have plans to increase the number of locally available and easily accessible green spaces.

\***Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have plans to require reformulation of children's food and drink to reduce child obesity.

*Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 30 January.*

**Lord Bragg** to move that this House takes note of the contribution of the arts to the economy and to society.

**Lord Addington** to ask His Majesty's Government how they plan to mitigate the safety risks of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in schools and to ensure the swift deployment of financial assistance for necessary maintenance and construction upgrades. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

**Lord Watson of Wyre Forest** to move that this House takes note of the case for a comprehensive Industrial Strategy for the United Kingdom.

## **Friday 2 February 2024 at 10.00am**

**Baroness Scott of Bybrook** to move that this House takes note of Holocaust Memorial Day 2024.

## **Monday 5 February 2024 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Black of Brentwood** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to invest in NHS Fracture Liaison Services in England.

\***Lord Best** to ask His Majesty's Government when they will implement their decision, announced in July 2022, to require all new homes to meet higher standards of accessibility.

\***Lord Coaker** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of HMS Diamond shooting down a suspected attack drone over the Red Sea on 16 December 2023.

\***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they expect to receive a report from the Cabinet Secretary on the arrangements for ensuring expenditure by the devolved authorities is spent in accordance with their competences, and if so when.

## **Tuesday 6 February 2024 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Bradley** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made on extending prescribing responsibilities to more allied health professionals.

\***Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty's Government what additional measures they are planning in response to the news that the Met Office believes that 2023 was the second hottest year on record.

\***Baroness Merron** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the increasing numbers of premature deaths from heart and circulatory conditions since 2020.

## **Wednesday 7 February 2024 at 3.00pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Touhig** to ask His Majesty's Government what responsibility ministers have for the appointment of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Post Office.

\***Lord Campbell-Savours** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to resolve the conflict in Ukraine.

\***Lord Davies of Brixton** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the publication of draft legislation on 'Buy Now Pay Later' arrangements in early 2023, when they intend to fulfil their 2021 commitment to regulate such arrangements.

## **Thursday 8 February 2024 at 11.00am**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Hayward** to ask the Senior Deputy Speaker what recent consideration has been given to the costs associated with traffic marshals operating on the Parliamentary Estate.

\***Lord Lexden** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to improve the education system for 11 to 16 year-olds.

\***Baroness Wilcox of Newport** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report by Capital Law into the working environment and atmosphere at S4C, the Welsh language broadcaster, and what discussions they have had with that broadcaster in response.

### **Monday 12 February 2024 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Crisp** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the levels of staffing in planning departments in local planning authorities.

\***Lord Addington** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure that all schools have the capacity to identify and implement a plan of support for the most commonly occurring special educational needs, including Dyslexia, ADHD, Dyspraxia, Dyscalculia, and Autism.

\***The Earl of Clancarty** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the provision of A1 forms, in particular for self-employed workers in the music industry touring in the European Economic Area.

\***Lord Clement-Jones** to ask His Majesty's Government what action they are taking to reform the Computer Misuse Act 1990 to enable legitimate independent testing of computer systems.

### **Tuesday 13 February 2024 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Strasburger** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect freedom of expression in the course of their work on combating disinformation.

\***Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reports that a global oversupply of petrochemicals has led to recycled plastics failing to compete with new, and whether they plan to take any action in response.

\***Lord Watson of Invergowrie** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to empower Ofsted to review pupil absence rates as part of their school inspections.

*Four questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs (40 minutes). Ballot opens at 10am on Thursday 1 February, to be drawn at 1pm on Thursday 8 February.*

### **Wednesday 14 February 2024 at 11.00am**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Dubs** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the financial difficulties facing many local authorities.

\***Lord Rogan** to ask His Majesty's Government, following the announcement that Takeda Pharmaceuticals plans to withdraw Mobocertinib from market, what steps they are taking to ensure that lung cancer patients have access to the medicines they need.

\***Lord Grocott** to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of the £36 billion transport investment plan 'Network North' will be allocated to schemes outside the Northern region.

## Monday 19 February 2024 at 2.30pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Tunnicliffe** to ask His Majesty's Government when they plan to provide an update on the spending of the £2 billion allocated in the 2023 spending review for replenishing conventional weapon stocks over the next two years.

\***Lord Young of Cookham** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the availability of NHS dentistry.

\***Lord Sahota** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the reports from sub-postmasters involved in the Post Office Horizon scandal that racism affected the way they were treated by the Post Office.

†\***Lord Kennedy of Southwark** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure leaseholders get the best value for money from services provided by management companies appointed by freeholders without their involvement or consent.

## Tuesday 20 February 2024 at 2.30pm

**Jonathan Moynihan**, and

**Matthew Elliott** will be introduced as Barons.

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the adequacy of expenditure by the Environment Agency on maintaining flood defences.

\***Lord Bailey of Paddington** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to assess the efficacy of violence reduction units in addressing knife crime.

\***Lord Browne of Ladyton** to ask His Majesty's Government what recent assessment they have made of Iran's capacity to project military power beyond its borders.

## Wednesday 21 February 2024 at 3.00pm

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Baroness Hussein-Ece** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of any increase in the number incidents of race and faith-based hate crimes, and whether they intend to introduce a new hate crime action plan.

\***Lord Bird** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the case for increasing the national minimum wage to £15 per hour for workers across all age groups.

\***Lord Holmes of Richmond** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to introduce legislation to prevent pavement parking in England and over what timescale.

## Thursday 22 February 2024 at 11.00am

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Baroness Fox of Buckley** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they are planning to issue further guidance to ensure that schools support gender-questioning children.

\***Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in restoring peatlands, and by what date they expect all degraded peatlands to be restored.

†\***Baroness Wheeler** to ask His Majesty's Government what actions they are taking in response to the NHS Innovation and Life Sciences Commission's *Dementia Commission: 2023 Report*.

### **Monday 26 February 2024 at 2.30pm**

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

†\***Baroness Chakrabarti** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the economic benefits for the United Kingdom of the tax haven status of the Overseas Territories.

†\***Lord Sikka** to ask His Majesty's Government on which dates since 1999 they exercised their right as the sole shareholder of the Post Office to (1) approve, or (2) disapprove, the executive remuneration policies and amounts.

†\***Lord Londesborough** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the NHS's resourcing and capacity to provide specialist care, in line with that provided to cancer and cardiac patients, for those living with neurological conditions.

†\***Baroness Jones of Whitchurch** to ask His Majesty's Government what further steps they intend to take to support biotech companies starting up and scaling up in the United Kingdom.

## Motions for Balloted Debate

*The ballot to select two motions for debate closes at 5pm on Tuesday 30 January, to be drawn on Wednesday 31 January, for debate on Thursday 22 February. Combined time limit of 5 hours.*

**Lord Alderdice** to move that this House takes note of the durability and longevity of the Belfast/Good Friday Agreement.

**Lord Hogan-Howe** to move that this House takes note of the responsibility of cyclists with regard to the safety of pedestrians.

**Lord Sikka** to move that this House takes note of the case for reforming the calculation and management of public debt.

**Lord Touhig** to move that this House takes note of support available for children with mental health issues.

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to move that this House takes note of the impact of conflict on children, following the report by Save the Children *Stop the War on Children: Let Children Live in Peace*, published in December 2023.

**Lord Jackson of Peterborough** to move that this House takes note of the importance of improving strategic aviation infrastructure to the prospects of economic growth and prosperity in the Eastern Region.

**Lord Oates** to move that this House takes note of the work of the Youth Justice Board of England and Wales to reduce youth offending and support young people in living productive lives, as it marks its twenty fifth year of operation.

**Viscount Waverley** to move that this House takes note of the United Kingdom's relations with China.

**Lord Young of Cookham** to move that this House takes note of the future of the Modern Methods of Construction process in the UK construction industry.

**Lord Kamall** to move that this House takes note of the future of the Commonwealth of Nations.

**Baroness Hoey** to move that this House takes note of the awarding of the UEFA Euro 2028 championships to England, Wales, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Ireland.

**Lord Moynihan** to move that this House takes note of the importance of pollinator health, and the actions needed to support honey bees and halt the decline in pollinators by 2030.

**Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to move that this House takes note of the growing number of conflict zones across the globe and the case for increased co-operation and partnership between democracies to address the growing alignment of much of the Global South with China, Russia and Iran on geopolitical matters.

**Lord Frost** to move that this House takes note of the work to date of the UK Covid-19 Inquiry.

**Baroness Helic** to move that this House takes note of the political and security situation in the Western Balkans and the implications for the United Kingdom.

**Lord Boateng** to move that this House takes note of the growing threat to good governance and stability in West Africa from Islamist insurgency in the Sahel.

**Lord Lexden** to move that this House takes note of the co-operation between state and independent schools.

## 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 *Where have all the workers gone?* (2nd Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 115). *20 December 2022*

**Baroness Stowell of Beeston** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Communications and Digital Committee *Digital exclusion* (3rd Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 219). *29 June 2023*

**Lord Hollick** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Industry and Regulators Committee *Must do better: the Office for Students and the looming crisis facing higher education* (2nd Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 246). *23 September 2023*

**Baroness Brown of Cambridge** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Science and Technology Committee *The neglected pollutants: the effects of artificial light and noise on human health* (2nd Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 232). *19 December 2023*

**Lord Moylan** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Built Environment Committee *The impact of environmental regulations on development* (2nd Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 254). *21 September 2023*

**Baroness Morris of Yardley** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Public Services Committee *Homecare medicines services: an opportunity lost* (4th Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 269). *16 November 2023*

## Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

**Lord Khan of Burnley** to move that this House regrets that the Electoral Commission Strategy and Policy Statement has been laid, despite significant concerns raised by the Speaker’s Committee, the Electoral Commission, and the Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Select Committee, during the statutory consultation process, and the finding by the Speaker’s Committee that the statement as drafted is “not fit for purpose and inconsistent with the Commission’s role as an independent regulator”.

## Questions for Short Debate

*These Questions for Short Debate were drawn in the ballot on Wednesday 13 December 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.*

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to respond to the report by The Children’s Society, *The Good Childhood Report 2023*, published in September 2023.

**Lord Wigley** to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they will take steps to devolve responsibility for the Crown Estates in Wales to Senedd Cymru.

**The Lord Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to promote the welfare of armed forces service personnel and their families.

**Baroness Scott of Needham Market** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to support and promote the charity and voluntary sectors.

**Lord Popat** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to (1) raise awareness among United Kingdom businesses of commercial opportunities in African markets, and (2) support United Kingdom exports to Africa.



**Lord Knight of Weymouth** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the latest statistics for initial teacher training in England, published in the Initial Teacher Training Census on 7 December 2023, which showed a current shortage of teachers; and what steps they are taking in response.

**Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to reduce the volume of sugar added to food and to encourage producers to reformulate it with healthier alternatives.

**Lord Oates** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the contribution of foreign nationals to the NHS and social care services.

**Lord Curry of Kirkharle** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the impact of reducing Official Development Assistance from 0.7 per cent to 0.5 per cent of Gross National Income in 2021 on small charities, particularly those working in Africa.

**Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to publish a social care workforce plan to complement the NHS Long Term Workforce Plan.

**Lord Wolfson of Aspley Guise** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to increase the supply and improve the quality of homes; whilst ensuring that development does not adversely affect existing communities.

**Baroness Sheehan** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of progress in reducing the routine flaring and venting of methane from oil and gas installations in the North Sea.

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to review the performance and remit of Ofsted, and the delivery of inspection reports.

### **Questions for Short Debate ballot entries**

*The ballot for four Questions closes at 5pm on Tuesday 6 February and will be drawn on Wednesday 7 February for debate on Thursday 29 February. Time limit 1 hour.*

**Baroness Coussins** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the importance of educational trips and exchanges from the United Kingdom to other countries, and the measures needed to facilitate such trips. *(Home Office)*

**Baroness D’Souza** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to counter China’s stated intentions, and actions, to reclaim Taiwan. *(Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office)*

**Baroness Barker** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the current level of provision for sexual and reproductive healthcare in England and the case for a workforce plan in this sector. *(Department of Health and Social Care)*

**Lord Naseby** to ask His Majesty’s Government, following COP 28, what progress they have made to support islands which are potentially seriously affected by climate change, and safeguard the legal status of those islands. *(Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office)*

**Baroness Walmsley** to ask His Majesty’s Government what is their current assessment of the United Kingdom’s compliance with the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. *(Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office) (Frontbench submission)*

**Lord Jackson of Peterborough** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the impact on public safety of the work of the Immigration Tribunals. *(Ministry of Justice)*

**Lord Sikka** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to address external auditing deficiencies highlighted by the collapse of BHS and Carillion. *(Department for Business and Trade)*

**Lord Foster of Bath** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of gambling advertising, marketing and sponsorship on problem gambling. (*Department for Culture, Media and Sport*)

**Lord Swire** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the advantages of burying overhead electrical transmission lines. (*Department for Energy Security and Net Zero*)

**Lord Aberdare** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to increase the availability and take-up of first aid training, including in the use of defibrillators. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

**Lord Hay of Ballyore** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to grant a right to a British passport to people born in the Republic of Ireland who have lived, paid taxes, and voted in Northern Ireland. (*Home Office*)

**Baroness Foster of Aghadrumsee** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support persecuted Christians around the world. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the numbers of people killed or displaced by conflict in Sudan and Tigray. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

†**Lord Risby** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress *they* have made in respect of the AUKUS agreement, the defence and security partnership between the United Kingdom, Australia and the United States. (*Ministry of Defence*)

## Questions for Written Answer

*Tabled on 29 January and due for answer by 12 February.*

**Lord Beith** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that the withdrawal of copper wire land lines because of the roll out of full fibre does not leave some homes and schools without access to communication, emergency messages or 999 calls in the event of a power cut which disables both their home power and the power supply to local mobile phone masts. HL1971

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the practice of the pension funds of regulators investing in companies for which the regulator has oversight responsibility, for example in the recent case of the Environment Agency's pension fund investing in companies which produce PFAS. HL1972

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the letter dated 29 August 2023 from Lord Sharpe of Epsom to the Chair of the Animals in Science Committee, what progress they have made in considering the relocation of the portfolio under the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986 to the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology. HL1973

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government, regarding the *Decapods: call for evidence* which closed on 13 October 2023, what consideration they have made of the evidence received, when results will be published, and when a policy decision based on this evidence will be made. HL1974

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they are making to the government of Egypt regarding the release of the British-Egyptian pro-democracy activist Alaa Abdel Fattah, and whether they have an expectation of the date on which he is likely to be released. HL1975

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with producers of personal protective equipment regarding regulatory or technological solutions to the issue of short use-by dates for such equipment. HL1976

**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to inform and educate employers and occupational health professionals of the specific workplace adaptations that women experiencing menopause symptoms may require, and what assessment they have made of working conditions for frontline health workers experiencing menopause symptoms. HL1977

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to prevent NHS drug shortages. HL1978

**Lord Bradshaw** to ask His Majesty's Government whether a train service specification had been developed for the TransPennine route upgrade prior to the commencement of the works. HL1979

**Lord Bradshaw** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answers by Baroness Vere of Norbiton on 14 July 2023 (HL8970) and Lord Davies of Gower on 24 January (HL1398), when is the earliest date by which additional rolling stock will be made available on the Cross Country network. HL1980

**Lord Bradshaw** to ask His Majesty's Government whether, when life-expired railway infrastructure is being replaced, present appraisal methodology provides for the replacement infrastructure to reflect the current speeds and braking characteristics of modern trains. HL1981

**Lord Bradshaw** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Davies of Gower on 24 January (HL1400), who pays for repairs to damaged rolling stock, in particular between Cardiff and London. HL1982

**Lord Bradshaw** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Davies of Gower on 24 January (HL1399), whether they have access to information on the amount of money being refunded under the delay replay scheme as a result of disrupted rail services. HL1983

**Baroness Cox** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the number of Sudanese people who have fled to (1) Blue Nile and Southern Kordofan, and (2) Abyei, since violence erupted in Khartoum and Darfur in April 2023. HL1984

**Baroness Cox** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to support displaced people and host communities in (1) Blue Nile and Southern Kordofan in Sudan, and (2) Abyei. HL1985

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will be nominating a candidate to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women in the forthcoming elections. HL1986

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Minister for Women will be attending the Commission on the Status of Women in March. HL1987

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will be sending a civil society representative to the Commission on the Status of Women in March; and if so, how they will be selected. HL1988

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will be sending a youth delegate to the Commission on the Status of Women in March; and if so, how they will be selected. HL1989

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government how much they have paid to the charity Barnardo's in Northern Ireland for helping to administrate the Homes for Ukraine scheme there. HL1990

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government how many non-profitable organisations have been involved with the Homes for Ukraine scheme in Northern Ireland; and what is the total amount of funding that has been given to those organisations. HL1991

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty's Government how many people are employed in Northern Ireland in administration of the Homes for Ukraine scheme. HL1992

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what oversight they are exercising over the NHS-Galleri trial. HL1993

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government what monitoring arrangements are in place to evaluate the effectiveness or otherwise of integrated care boards in discharging their responsibility for determining the level of locally NHS-funded palliative and end of life care, including hospice care. HL1994

**Lord Hunt of Kings Heath** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will extend the Children's Hospice Grant for children's palliative care in England beyond 2024–25. HL1995

**Lord Lucas** to ask His Majesty's Government when marketplaces and online retailers collect VAT under legislation introduced in 2021, how does HMRC ensure the VAT collected is actually handed over to HMRC; and what audit process and checks and balances are in place for allowing this proxy arrangement. HL1996

**Lord Lucas** to ask His Majesty's Government what policies and guidance are in place for Network Rail concerning whether political statements are permitted in advertising or otherwise displayed in their stations. HL1997

**The Lord Bishop of Norwich** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Communion Forest, an initiative comprising local activities of tree growing and ecosystem conservation, protection and restoration undertaken by parishes, dioceses and provinces across the Anglican Communion. HL1998

**The Lord Bishop of Norwich** to ask His Majesty's Government what financial assistance they are providing to support projects undertaken by faith groups and others to support ecosystem conservation, protection and restoration internationally. HL1999

**Lord Sedwill** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have made any representations to the government of Iran regarding ceasing their support for militias attacking western forces in the Middle East. HL2000

**Lord Sedwill** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have made any representations to the government of Iran regarding Houthi attacks on international shipping. HL2001

**Lord Sedwill** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have made any representations to the governments of (1) India, or (2) China, regarding Iran's support for militias attacking western forces and international shipping in the Middle East. HL2002

**Lord Singh of Wimbledon** to ask His Majesty's Government, following the sanctioning of Mian Abdul Haq as a human rights violator on 9 December 2022, what assessment they have made of whether that sanctioning has been successful in preventing the forced conversion and abduction of women and girls from minority communities, and what further representations they have made to the government of Pakistan in this regard. HL2003

**The Lord Bishop of Southwark** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have met with representatives of Save the ArQ in Jerusalem; and what support, if any, they are providing to the campaign. HL2004

**The Lord Bishop of Southwark** to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Israel concerning tax receipt funds to the Palestinian Authority; and what assessment they have made of the future viability of the Palestinian Authority if such funds are not released. HL2005

**The Lord Bishop of Southwark** to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Israel to ease its restrictions on the free movement of Palestinian people within the West Bank and from the West Bank to Israel. HL2006

**The Lord Bishop of Southwark** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of travel restrictions, applied by the government of Israel on the free movement of Palestinian people within the West Bank and from the West Bank to Israel, on the economy of the West Bank; and what additional financial assistance, if any, they plan to provide to mitigate its effects. HL2007

**The Lord Bishop of Southwark** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to their statement on 27 January that they have "considerable concerns" about the International Court of Justice ruling on 26 January regarding the case of genocide against Israel, what assessment they have made of that ruling; and what representations they have made to the government of Israel concerning compliance with it. HL2008

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what are the eligibility criteria for businesses to apply for Horizon research programme funding; and how those grants will assist them. HL2009

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what process they are using to determine the allocation for (1) social care, (2) funding guarantees, and (3) grants, under their plans to provide an additional £600 million funding to councils. HL2010

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the delays to the Hinkley Point C Nuclear Power Station on their 2030 target for low-carbon electricity generation. HL2011

**Baroness Thornhill** to ask His Majesty's Government what percentage of social homes outside London have a non-British citizen as the lead tenant. HL2012

**Baroness Thornhill** to ask His Majesty's Government how much public money has been allocated to promote Modern Methods of Construction (MMC) in the past five years, and whether they intend to publish a strategy to encourage the use of MMC. HL2013

**Baroness Thornhill** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report of the Home Builders Federation *State of Play: Challenges and opportunities facing SME home builders*, published on 22 January, regarding the number of small and medium-sized enterprise builders going out of business; what assessment they have made of the impact of this on the supply of new homes; and whether they have plans to support this subsector. HL2014

**Lord Tyrrie** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the (1) economic, and (2) fiscal impact, of the dependents of those on student visas. HL2015

**Lord Tyrrie** to ask His Majesty's Government what modelling they have undertaken of future immigration flows attributable to students, including those on student visas, dependents of those on student visas, and net migration resulting from such immigration; and what are the projected (1) immigration, (2) emigration, and (3) net migration figures for the next five years. HL2016

## 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.*

### **10 January** (24 January)

HL1460 Lord Randall of Uxbridge [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL1422 The Lord Bishop of Gloucester [Ministry of Justice]

### **11 January** (25 January)

HL1545 Lord Warner [Department of Health and Social Care]

### **15 January** (29 January)

HL1555 Lord Arbuthnot of Edrom [Department for Business and Trade]

HL1561 Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle [Department for Business and Trade]

HL1565 The Lord Bishop of Gloucester [Ministry of Justice]

HL1566 The Lord Bishop of Gloucester [Ministry of Justice]

HL1568 Lord Gold [Ministry of Justice]

HL1572 Lord Holmes of Richmond [Ministry of Justice]

HL1600 The Lord Bishop of St Albans [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL1608 Lord Stone of Blackheath [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL1609 Lord Stone of Blackheath [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL1617 Lord Woodley [Ministry of Justice]

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

Business and Trade (2)

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (3)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (1)

Health and Social Care (1)

Justice (6)

**Bills in Progress**

	<b>Type of Bill</b>	<b>To be considered</b>
<b>Waiting for Second Reading</b>		
Conversion Therapy Prohibition (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Succession to Peerages and Baronetcies Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Employment and Trade Union Rights (Dismissal and Re-engagement) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Housing Act 1988 (Amendment) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Alternative Investment Fund Designation Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Artificial Intelligence (Regulation) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Genocide (Prevention and Response) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Workforce Information (Ethnicity) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Foetal Sentience Committee Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Schools (Mental Health Professionals) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Commercial Organisations and Public Authorities Duty (Human Rights and Environment) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Coroners (Determination of Suicide) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
At-Home Early Medical Abortion (Review) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Asylum Application (Entry to the United Kingdom) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Ecocide Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Protection of Care Recipients and Carers Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Wheelchair Access Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Genocide Determination Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Heritage Trees Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) (Abolition of By-Elections) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Status of Workers Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Disestablishment of the Church of England Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Public Service (Integrity and Ethics) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Abortion (Gestational Time Limit Reduction) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Still-Birth (Definition) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill <i>(Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought; King's consent sought)</i>	Government	
Animal Welfare (Livestock Exports) Bill <i>(Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent sought)</i>	Government	
<b>Committed to a Special Public Bill Committee</b>		
Arbitration Bill [HL] <i>(Law Commission Bill) (Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought)</i>	Government	
<b>Committed to a Select Committee</b>		
Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL]	Private	

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### **Committed to a Grand Committee**

Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill ( <i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	31 January
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Data Protection and Digital Information Bill ( <i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	
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### **Committed to a Committee of the Whole House**

Victims and Prisoners Bill ( <i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	31 January
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Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill	Government	
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### **Waiting for Report**

Pedicabs (London) Bill [HL]	Government	30 January
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Automated Vehicles Bill [HL] ( <i>Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	
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### **Waiting for Third Reading**

Investigatory Powers (Amendment) Bill [HL] ( <i>Scottish Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	30 January
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### **Sent to the Commons**

Bishop's Stortford Cemetery Bill [HL]	Private	
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Trade (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership) Bill [HL] ( <i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i> )	Government	
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## **Statutory Instruments in Progress**

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

Draft Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 (Consequential, Supplementary and Incidental Provisions) Regulations 2024

Draft Packaging Waste (Data Reporting) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Social Housing (Regulation) Act 2023 (Consequential and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024

Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (High-Risk Countries) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Bank of England Levy (Amount of Levy Payable) Regulations 2024

Draft Electricity Capacity (Supplier Payment etc.) (Amendment and Excluded Electricity) Regulations 2024

Draft Electricity Supplier Obligations (Excluded Electricity) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Energy-Intensive Industry Electricity Support Payments and Levy Regulations 2024

Draft Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 and Terrorism Act 2000 (Certain Information Orders: Code of Practice) Regulations 2024

Draft Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Investigative Powers of Prosecutors: Code of Practice) Order 2024

Draft Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Search, Recovery of Cryptoassets and Investigations: Codes of Practice) Regulations 2024



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Draft Single Source Contract (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Terrorism Act 2000 (Code of Practice for Authorised Officers) Order 2024

Draft Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Act 2022 (Consequential Amendments) Order 2024

Draft Pensions Regulator General Code of Practice 2024 *10th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Renewables Obligation (Amendment) (Energy Intensive Industries) Order 2024

Draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Offensive Weapons) (Amendment, Surrender and Compensation) Order 2024

Draft Occupational Pension Schemes (Funding and Investment Strategy and Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Representation of the People (Variation of Election Expenses and Exclusions) Regulations 2024

### **Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution**

Draft Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 (Amendment of List of Safe States) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 4th Report*

Draft Medical Devices (In Vitro Diagnostic Devices etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft General Aviation (Persons on Board, Flight Information and Civil Penalties) Regulations 2024 (30 January)

Draft Gender Recognition (Approved Countries and Territories and Saving Provision) Order 2023

Draft National Crime Agency (Directed Tasking) Order 2023 (30 January)

Draft Carer's Leave Regulations 2024 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Combined Authorities (Mayoral Elections) Order 2017 (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (30 January)

Draft Combined Authorities (Mayors) Filling of Vacancies Order 2017 (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (30 January)

Draft Maternity Leave, Adoption Leave and Shared Parental Leave (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (30 January)

Draft Post Office Network Subsidy Scheme (Amendment) Order 2024 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (30 January)*

Draft Sea Fisheries (International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 10th Report*

Draft Animal Welfare (Primate Licences) (England) Regulations 2023

Draft Occupational Pension Schemes (Collective Money Purchase Schemes) (Amendment) Regulations 2023

Draft Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) (Specified Diseases and Prescribed Occupations) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

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Civil Procedure (Amendment No. 4) Rules 2023 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft European Organization for Astronomical Research in the Southern Hemisphere and the European Space Agency (Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 2023 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Regulated Activities) (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Limited Liability Partnerships (Application of Company Law) Regulations 2024

Draft Principal Office Address (Rectification of Register) Regulations 2024

Draft Registered Office Address (Rectification of Register) Regulations 2024 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Service Address (Rectification of Register) Regulations 2024

Draft Electoral Commission Strategy and Policy Statement *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 8th Report*

Draft Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (Pension Scheme Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Human Medicines (Amendments Relating to Coronavirus and Influenza) (England and Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2024 *10th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Paternity Leave (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *10th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Representation of the People (Postal Vote Handling etc.) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 2024

Draft Social Security (Contributions) (Limits and Thresholds, National Insurance Funds Payments and Extension of Veterans Relief) Regulations 2024

Draft Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2024

Draft Tax Credits, Child Benefit and Guardian's Allowance Up-rating Regulations 2024

Draft Water Industry (Special Administration) Regulations 2024

Draft Water Industry Act 1991 (Amendment) Order 2024

### **Negative Instruments**

Branded Health Services Medicines (Costs) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 31 January*

Code of Practice (Reasonable Steps for Trade Unions) Order 2023 *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 3 February*

Misuse of Drugs (England and Wales and Scotland) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 February*

Insurance and Reinsurance Undertakings (Prudential Requirements) (Risk Margin) Regulations 2023 and Insurance *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 February*

Insurance and Reinsurance Undertakings (Prudential Requirements) Regulations 2023 *7th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 February*

Serious Disruption Prevention Orders: Draft Statutory Guidance *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 7 February*

Draft Code of Practice on Requests for Flexible Working *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 7 February*

Statement of changes in Immigration Rules (HC 246) *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 8th Report. Praying time ends 3 February*

Flexible Working (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 7 February*

Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2023 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 8th Report. Praying time ends 9 February*

Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 10 February*

Asylum Support (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 10 February*

Immigration and Asylum (Provision of Services or Facilities) (Amendment) Regulations *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 10 February*

Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 (Digital Securities Sandbox) Regulations 2023 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 14 February*

Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 14 February*

Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) (Amendment) (No 2) Regulations 2023 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 15 February*

Dangerous Dogs (Exemption Schemes and Miscellaneous Provisions) (England and Wales) Order 2023 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 15 February*

Dangerous Dogs (Exemption Schemes and Miscellaneous Provisions) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Order 2024 *8th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 19 February*

## **Human Rights Remedial Order**

### **Draft order under paragraph 2(a) reported from the Joint Committee on Human Rights**

Draft Investigatory Powers Act 2016 (Remedial) Order 2023 *Scrutiny period expired 15 January. 1st Report from the Joint Committee on Human Rights*

## **Treaties before the House**

### **Treaties not yet considered by a Select Committee**

Exchange of Letters to amend the Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Albania *Scrutiny period expires: 21 February*

Amending Agreement No. 1 between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Kosovo to amend the Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the two countries *Scrutiny period expires: 21 February*

Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage *Scrutiny period expires: 22 February*

Treaty between the United Kingdom and the Republic of the Philippines on the Transfer of Sentenced Persons *Scrutiny period expires: 1 March*

### **Treaties considered by a Select Committee**

Amendment to the Agreement Establishing the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 9 January. Scrutiny period expires: 8 February*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Rwanda for the Provision of an Asylum Partnership Agreement to Strengthen Shared International Commitments on the Protection of Refugees and Migrants *Reported by the International Agreements Committee on 16 January. Scrutiny period expires: 30 January*

## **Retirements**

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

Lord Plant of Highfield (28 February)

Lord Goodlad (29 February)

## COMMITTEES

### Committees

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

#### **Tuesday 30 January**

Science and Technology Committee	Room 3	10.00am
Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 2A	10.30am
Built Environment Committee	Room 4	10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 3	2.00pm
Audit and Risk Assurance Committee	Room 2A	3.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee	Room 4	3.00pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 3A	3.45pm

#### **Wednesday 31 January**

Constitution Committee	Room 3	10.00am
Preterm Birth Committee	Room 2	10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee	Room 4	10.30am
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 16	2.45pm
Public Services Committee	Room 4	3.00pm
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm

#### **Thursday 1 February**

Food, Diet and Obesity Committee	Room 2A	10.00am
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#### **Monday 5 February**

Restoration and Renewal Client Board	The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House	5.00pm
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#### **Tuesday 6 February**

European Affairs Committee		4.00pm
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#### **Wednesday 7 February**

Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 3	10.00am
Financial Services Regulation Committee		10.00am

#### **Thursday 8 February**

Procedure and Privileges Committee	Room 4A	12.30pm
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#### **Tuesday 13 February**

Justice and Home Affairs Committee		10.30am
Windsor Framework Sub-Committee		2.45pm

#### **Wednesday 21 February**

Finance Committee	Room 2A	3.45pm
Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm

#### **Thursday 29 February**

Services Committee	Room 3A	12.15pm
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#### **Wednesday 13 March**

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	10.00am
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## Minutes of Proceedings of Monday 29 January 2024

*The House met at 2.30pm.*

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

### Select Committee Report

#### 1 Communications and Digital

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

Large language models and generative AI. (1st Report, HL Paper 54)

### Public Business

2 **Cancer research: funding gap** A question was asked by Lord Hunt of Kings Heath and answered by Viscount Camrose.

3 **Care of critically ill children** A question was asked by Lord Balfe and answered by Lord Markham.

4 **Emergency Services Network: critical communications system** A question was asked by Lord Harris of Haringey and answered by Lord Sharpe of Epsom.

5 **RAF Aerobatic Team: historical allegations** A question was asked by Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent and answered by the Earl of Minto.

6 **Representation of the People (Postal and Proxy Voting etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2024** Baroness Penn moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 11 December 2023 be approved. The motion was agreed to.

7 **Financial Services Act 2021 (Overseas Funds Regime and Recognition of Parts of Schemes) (Amendment and Modification) Regulations 2024** Baroness Vere of Norbiton moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 4 December 2023 be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

8 **Local Government Finance Act 1988 (Prescription of Non-Domestic Rating Multipliers) (England) Regulations 2023** Baroness Vere of Norbiton moved that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 11 December 2023 be approved. The motion was agreed to *en bloc*.

9 **Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill** Lord Stewart of Dirleton, on behalf of Lord Sharpe of Epsom, moved that the bill be now read a second time. Then Lord German moved, as an amendment to the motion, to leave out from “that” to the end and insert “this House declines to give the bill a second reading because it

- (1) places the United Kingdom at risk of breaching its international law commitments;
- (2) undermines the rule of law by ousting the jurisdiction of the courts;
- (3) will lead to substantial costs to the taxpayer;
- (4) fails to provide safe and legal routes for refugees; and
- (5) fails to include measures to tackle people smuggling gangs.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to (see division). Then the original motion was agreed to. Then Lord Stewart of Dirleton, on behalf of Lord Sharpe of Epsom, moved that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House. The motion was agreed to.

*The House adjourned at 9.44pm until Tuesday 30 January at 2.30pm.*

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

**Grand Committee Business**

*The Grand Committee met in the Moses Room at 3.45pm.*

**Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Bill** The Grand Committee further considered the bill, beginning with amendment 64. Amendments 73, 74, 75 and 78 were agreed to. The Committee adjourned after amendment 79.

*The Committee adjourned at 7.51pm.*

## Papers

*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 Legal Aid—Crime Lower Consultation: Criminal Legal Aid. (1013)

### Affirmative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House for approval by resolution:

- 1 Draft Occupational Pension Schemes (Funding and Investment Strategy and Amendment) Regulations 2024
- 2 Draft Representation of the People (Variation of Election Expenses and Exclusions) Regulations 2024

### Instrument not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following instrument was laid before the House:

- 1 Parliamentary Elections and Recall Petition (Welsh Forms) (Amendment) Order 2024 (95)

### Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Report on the number of notices and directions served under the Aviation Security Act 1982 during 2023
- 2 Report on the number of notices served, directions given and enforcement notices served under the Channel Tunnel (Security) Order 1994 during 2023



## Division

### Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill

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The House divided:

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