

**Tuesday 3 September 2024 at 2.30pm****Baroness Pidgeon**, and**Baroness Keeley** will be introduced.*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Hendy** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to ratify the Additional Protocol to the European Social Charter to establish a system of collective complaints; and what plans they have to ratify the Revised European Social Charter 1996.

\***Baroness Morgan of Drefelin** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the take-up of the NHS breast screening programme.

\***Lord Harries of Pentregarth** to ask His Majesty's Government, following the statement of the Permanent Representative to the United Nations on 13 November 2023 during Bangladesh's Universal Periodic Review at the Human Rights Council, how they plan to ensure that their aid and development funds are directed to marginal groups in that country, including Dalit women and children.

†\***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, and on what timescale, to introduce legislation to extend the ban on smoking in public places; and what additional measures such legislation will contain.

**Baroness Merron** to move that this House takes note of the first report from the Covid-19 Inquiry.

**Future Business****Wednesday 4 September 2024 at 3.00pm****Baroness Hodge of Barking**, and**Baroness Beckett** will be introduced.*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Sikka** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the possible links between social disorder in major cities, and economic and social policies.

\***The Lord Bishop of London** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the adequacy of funding arrangements for accessible and equitable palliative and end of life care.

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\***Lord Liddle** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to facilitate improved high-speed rail services between (1) London Euston and Manchester, and (2) on the West Coast Mainline north of Crewe.

†\***Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the political neutrality of Civil Service recruitment following recent appointments to Civil Service roles.

**Business of the House** The Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Smith of Basildon) to move that, in the event that the Budget Responsibility Bill has been brought from the Commons, Standing Order 44 (*No two stages of a Bill to be taken on one day*) be dispensed with on Monday 9 September to allow the Bill to be taken through its remaining stages that day.

**Holocaust Memorial Bill** Second Reading [Lord Khan of Burnley]

**Baroness Deech** to move, as an amendment to the motion that the bill be now read a second time, at end to insert "but this House regrets that the Bill fails to allow for a full appraisal and consultation on any preferred site for a Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre; and that in preparing the bill the Government have failed to establish the true cost of the project or deal with issues of security around the Memorial".

If the bill is read a second time, Lord Khan of Burnley to move that the bill be committed to a Select Committee.

## **Thursday 5 September 2024 at 11.00am**

**Lord Elliott of Ballinamallard**, and

**Lord Brady of Altrincham** will be introduced.

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the ability of current online safety legislation to regulate abuse, including racism, Islamophobia, homophobia, and sectarianism, on social media platforms.

\***Lord Campbell-Savours** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have held with European countries regarding Ukraine and its war with Russia.

\***Lord Harris of Haringey** to ask His Majesty's Government how many alerts have been sent using the Emergency Alert service since the national test in April 2023; and when the next national test of the system will take place.

*Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 3 September.*

**Lord Carrington of Fulham** to move that this House takes note of the role of Modern Methods of Construction in the housing construction sector. (*Balloted debate*)

**Baroness Cumberlege** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in ensuring that those who have suffered complications following vaginal mesh implants receive financial compensation. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*)

†**Lord Lexden** to move that this House takes note of the contribution of independent schools, and any potential effects that changes to the VAT exemption for independent school fees could have. (*Balloted debate*) [1]

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

**Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]** Committee [Lord Livermore]

## Friday 6 September 2024 at 10.00am

### **Support for Infants and Parents etc (Information) Bill [HL]** Second Reading [Lord Farmer]

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

### **Lithium-ion Battery Safety Bill [HL]** Second Reading [Lord Redesdale]

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

**Marine Protected Areas (Bottom Trawling) Bill [HL]** Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to move that the bill be withdrawn.

## Monday 9 September 2024 at 2.30pm

**Lord Cryer**, and

**Lord Sharma** will be introduced.

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Davies of Brixton** to ask His Majesty's Government how many people (1) claimed, and (2) were eligible to claim, Pension Credit in each of the past three financial years.

\***Baroness Gohir** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the drivers of hate crime against Muslims in Britain, and what steps they are taking to challenge anti-Muslim prejudice and anti-Muslim hate crime.

\***Lord Wood of Anfield** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to implement the recommendations of the 2022 Independent Review of Children's Social Care.

\***Lord Berkeley** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to provide longer-term support to the local bus sector.

*In the event that the Budget Responsibility Bill has been brought from the Commons and the motion in the name of the Lord Privy Seal on Wednesday 4 September has been agreed to, it is expected that the remaining stages will be taken.*

## Tuesday 10 September 2024 at 2.30pm

**Baroness Batters**, and

**Baroness Harman** will be introduced.

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Aberdare** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to end the practice of cash retentions in the construction sector.

\***Lord Farmer** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the report, *Making the grade: Prioritising performance in Whitehall*, published by Reform on 1 May; and what steps they are taking in response.

\***Lord Touhig** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to continue the work programme set out in the Buckland Review of Autism Employment.

**Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL]** The Senior Deputy Speaker to move this House resolves that the promoters of the Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL], which was originally introduced in this House in Session 2022–23 on 23 January 2023, should have leave to proceed with the Bill in the current Session according to the provisions of Private Business Standing Order 150B (*Revival of bills*).

### **Wednesday 11 September 2024 at 2.30pm**

**Lord Beamish**, and

**Lord Grayling** will be introduced.

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Rooker** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to update the Bread and Flour Regulations 1998.

\***Lord Black of Brentwood** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the number of people with diagnosed HIV in England who are not accessing HIV care.

\***Lord Snape** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to continue with the Road Investment Strategy 2: 2020–2025; and what are their plans for the road network.

### **Thursday 12 September 2024 at 11.00am**

**Lord Booth-Smith**, and

**Baroness May of Maidenhead** will be introduced.

*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

\***Lord Dubs** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they plan to take, if any, to prevent the spread of false information through electronic media.

\***The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of NFU Mutual's Rural Crime Report 2024, published on 1 August.

\***The Earl of Clancarty** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to negotiate the United Kingdom rejoining the Erasmus+ Programme.

**Lord Hogan-Howe** to move that this House takes note of the safety and regulation issues involved in the use of pedal cycles on the road network.

**Lord Krebs** to move that this House takes note of the current challenges of higher education funding.

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

**Baroness Sanderson of Welton** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to publish a new strategy for public libraries. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

**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. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour) [I]*

**Lord Forsyth of Drumlean** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect wild Atlantic salmon populations. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the impact of international conflict on children, and (2) the recommendations proposed by Save the Children in its report *Stop the War on Children: Let Children Live in Peace*, published in December 2023. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

## Motions for Balloted Debate

*The ballot to select two motions for debate closes on Tuesday 10 September to be drawn on Wednesday 11 September, for debate on Thursday 17 October. Combined time limit of 5 hours.*

**Baroness Hooper** to move that this House takes note of the UK's relations with Latin American countries in the light of recent political, trade and environmental developments.

**Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to move that this House takes note of the case for a comprehensive social care strategy.

**Lord Berkeley** to move that this House takes note of the ongoing reduction in fuel duty revenue as a result of the growth in electric vehicle use, and the potential for recouping this loss through road pricing.

**Baroness Thornhill** to move that this House takes note of the case for a cross-departmental approach to reducing homelessness.

## Select Committee Reports

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

**Lord Ashton of Hyde** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the International Relations and Defence Committee *Our friends in the North: UK strategy towards the Arctic* (1st Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 8). *29 November 2023*

**Lord Ricketts** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the European Affairs Committee *The Ukraine Effect: The impact of Russia's invasion of Ukraine on the UK–EU relationship* (1st Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 48). *31 January*

**Baroness Brown of Cambridge** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Science and Technology Committee *Long-duration energy storage: get on with it* (1st Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 68). *13 March*

**Baroness Stowell of Beeston** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Communications and Digital Committee *Large language models and generative AI* (1st Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 54). *2 February*

**Lord Hollick** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Industry and Regulators Committee *Who watches the watchdogs? Improving the performance, independence and accountability of UK Regulators* (2nd Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 56). *8 February*

**Baroness Parminter** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Environment and Climate Change Committee *An extraordinary challenge: Restoring 30 per cent of our land and sea by 2030* (2nd Report, Session 2022–23, HL Paper 234). *26 July 2023*

**Baroness Parminter** to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Environment and Climate Change Committee *EV strategy: rapid recharge needed* (1st Report, Session 2023–24, HL Paper 51). *6 February*

## Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

**Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to move that this House takes note of the Immigration (Guidance on Detention of Vulnerable Persons) Regulations 2024, laid before the House on 30 April (SI 2024/573). *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 25th Report, Session 2023–24*

†**Baroness Altmann** to move that an Humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying that the Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment Regulations 2024 (SI 2024/869), laid before the House on 22 August, be annulled because they would significantly reduce state support for pensioners without sufficient warning and without a proper impact assessment, and because they present a significant risk to the health and wellbeing of many pensioners on low incomes.

†**Baroness Stedman-Scott** to move that this House regrets (1) that the Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment Regulations (SI 2024/869), laid before the House on 22 August, will leave pensioners worse off in winter; (2) the decision to prioritise above-inflation pay rises for unionised public sector professionals over the needs of the elderly, including many households that are eligible for Pension Credit but do not claim it; and (3) the lack of transparency on these policy decisions during the election period.

## Questions for Short Debate

*These Questions for Short Debate were drawn in the ballot on Wednesday 17 July as the reserve list, which may be used as lunch, dinner break, or last business.*

**Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve productivity across the public sector.

**Lord Sikka** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to address any external auditing deficiencies highlighted by the collapse of BHS, Carillion, Patisserie Valerie, and London Capital and Finance.

**Lord Harrington of Watford** to ask His Majesty's Government what measures they intend to implement to attract more foreign direct investment to the United Kingdom.

**Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what are their priorities for rural communities over the next two years.

**Baroness Wyld** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to ensure that perinatal mental health services are available and accessible to every woman who needs them.

**Lord Herbert of South Downs** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to promote global agreement to tackle antimicrobial resistance, including drug-resistant tuberculosis, at the UN High-Level Meeting on antimicrobial resistance on 26 September.

**Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the state of NHS waiting lists for mental health treatment and care, and what immediate plans they have to improve the situation.

**Lord Wigley** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to institute an inquiry into the factors which may have influenced the proportion of registered voters turning out to vote in the general election held on 4 July; and what plans they have to address the issue of low voter turnout.

**Baroness Gohir** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to reduce violence against Black, Asian and minority ethnic women and girls.

**Baroness Lawlor** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to encourage universities to set up overseas institutions, to increase opportunities locally in developing economies and reduce net migration to the UK.

**Lord Moynihan** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to promote, raise awareness of and encourage participation in sport and recreation for the benefits of health, longevity, fitness, skill, achievement, social interaction and wellbeing.

**Lord Kamall** to ask His Majesty's Government what conversations they have had, or plan to have, with other governments on the future of the Commonwealth of Nations.

**Lord Naseby** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to establish a form of modern 'national service'.

**Lord Berkeley** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to increase usage of local buses.

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

*The ballot for four Questions closes on Tuesday 15 October for debate in Grand Committee on Thursday 31 October. A further 15 questions will be drawn as the reserve list to be taken in the Chamber if time allows and replace the existing list.*

**Lord Murphy of Torfaen** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support opera. (*Department for Culture, Media and Sport*)

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the implications for economic engagement with China of Uyghur genocide, use of slave labour, and other human right violations. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

**Lord Patel** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to improve cancer outcomes in England through early diagnosis, improvement in care, and research. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

**Lord McColl of Dulwich** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to encourage greater candour and accuracy of statements in public life as expressed in the King's Speech. (*Cabinet Office*)

**Lord Jackson of Peterborough** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect the rights of families in Court of Protection proceedings and to encourage transparency, natural justice, and openness in those legal proceedings. (*Ministry of Justice*)

**Lord Heseltine** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the conduct of the police in their treatment of Joe Anderson who resigned as the Mayor of Liverpool in 2021. (*Home Office*)

**Lord Hain** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking, if any, to build support for a new International Anti-Corruption Court. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

**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 the homes people want, in the places they want to live, whilst ensuring that development does not adversely affect existing communities. (*Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government*)

**Lord Trefgarne** to ask His Majesty's Government whether deterrence remains a core element of the United Kingdom's defence policy. (*Ministry of Defence*)

**Baroness Scott of Needham Market** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the current position regarding diagnosis and treatment of myalgic encephalomyelitis. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

**Lord Foster of Bath** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the prevalence of gambling harms experienced by the population as highlighted by the recent statistics published by the Gambling Commission. (*Department for Culture, Media and Sport*)

**The Earl of Clancarty** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will make a formal assessment of the effect of the UK leaving the EU on the arts and creative industries. (*Department for Culture, Media and Sport*)

**Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to review the operation of the Carer's Allowance, including the repayments regime to assist family carers. (*Department for Work and Pensions*)



## Questions for Written Answer

*Tabled on 30 July and due for answer by 13 August.*

**Lord Allen of Kensington** to ask His Majesty's Government, under the policy whereby asylum seekers whose claims have been outstanding for more than 12 months through no fault of their own can request permission to work in jobs on the Shortage Occupation List published by the Home Office, how many such requests have been (1) made, and (2) granted, since the policy was introduced; and how many asylum seekers have taken up employment under that policy. HL552

**Lord Allen of Kensington** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to alter the current arrangements for asylum seekers whose claim has been outstanding for more than 12 months through no fault of their own to be able to request permission to work in jobs on the Shortage Occupation List published by the Home Office. HL553

**Lord Allen of Kensington** to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend to introduce the Skills England bill. HL554

**Lord Allen of Kensington** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential benefit of zero-rating VAT on fuel oil to assist households that are reliant on fuel oil to heat their homes; and what plans they have to reduce VAT on fuel oil. HL555

**Baroness Altmann** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of removing Winter Fuel Payments, without further warning, on (1) pensioners whose incomes are a small amount above the Pension Credit threshold, and (2) those who are entitled to Pension Credit but do not claim it. HL556

**Baroness Altmann** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take, in light of their decision to renew funding of UNWRA, to ensure that its schools and facilities are not used to conceal Hamas infrastructure or launch attacks on Israel. HL557

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their policy in relation to the provision of development aid to entities within China; and what is the total of UK aid provided to the China in the past 10 years. HL558

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have investigated reports that China lobbied for the removal of references to Taiwan from material used in schools in connection with GCSE examinations. HL559

**Lord Alton of Liverpool** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the extent to which the independence of the UK higher education sector has been compromised by a reliance on funding from China. HL560

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support initiatives to close the financing gap for food security and nutrition, further to the report *The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2024*, published in July by the World Food Programme, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, UNICEF and the World Health Organisation; and what assessment they have made of the projection that 582 million people will be chronically food insecure by 2030. HL561

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with NATO allies about the importance of retaining a minimum credible deterrent for as long as global conditions require. HL562

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will continue to (1) support the UK–Brazil Tech Hub, and (2) develop the global network of international tech partnerships, to build digital ecosystems that would facilitate sustainable economic growth and development. HL563

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government when they plan to appoint a Prime Minister's Special Representative for Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict. HL564

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to take forward their commitment to the UN on 30 July that they would welcome discussion and feedback from other States Parties and from civil society on their National Implementation Report regarding the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. HL565

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support the UK–Brazil Partnership on Green and Inclusive Growth announced on 24 May; and whether they endorse the initial five main pillars of the agreement relating to climate, forests, agriculture, energy and finance. HL566

**Earl Attlee** to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Malvern Hills Trust, also known as the Malvern Hills Conservators, is considered to be a public body and, if so, for what purposes. HL567

**Earl Attlee** to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Secretary of State granted one or more Special Orders under section 44 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 which permitted the movement of long trams from the Very Light Rail Innovation Centre in Dudley to the Metro Maintenance Centre in Wednesbury on 15 February; and if so, whether the haulier who moved a tram on that date gave five clear working days' notice to all the relevant authorities in accordance with the relevant Special Order. HL568

**Lord Berkeley** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans, including regarding location and dates, they have made for the next meeting of the Islands Forum. HL569

**Lord Berkeley** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to support the UK coastal fishing industry with seafood grants to improve fuel efficiency, crew health and safety, and the economic viability of the sector. HL570

**Lord Berkeley** to ask His Majesty's Government what funding they are making available for the development of Northern Powerhouse Rail between now and April 2025; and how many staff are currently engaged on this project. HL571

**Lord Berkeley** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of (1) the effect of the planned reductions in the percentage discounts for student, senior, services and other railcards on numbers of rail passengers; and (2) the effect of the ensuing increase in fares on the overall cost of passenger railway to the Government. HL572

**Lord Berkeley** to ask His Majesty's Government which types of passenger train operating on which routes allow wheelchair users to board and alight without assistance. HL573

**Lord Berkeley** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to require all new passenger trains to be built with step-free access through at least one set of doors per carriage. HL574

**Lord Birt** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to review the working of the UK–US extradition treaty. HL575

**Lord Birt** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Taylor of Stevenage on 6 August (HL248), what percentage of the 1.5 million homes that the Government is committed to delivering in this Parliament will be social homes. HL576

**Lord Birt** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to set out a detailed and comprehensive analytical framework for establishing the optimum route to achieving Net Zero. HL577

**Lord Birt** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to review the (1) performance, (2) remit, and (3) powers, of Ofwat. HL578

**Baroness Bonham-Carter of Yarnbury** to ask His Majesty's Government when they plan to convene the Industrial Strategy Council announced in the King's Speech on 17 July; and what will be the process of appointing members to the council. HL579

**Baroness Bonham-Carter of Yarnbury** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to have representatives from the creative industries on the Industrial Strategy Council. HL580

**Lord Bradshaw** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Taylor of Stevenage on 9 August (HL387), how much high-quality land has been lost for the use of agricultural production in the last ten years for which figures are available. HL581

**Lord Bradshaw** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of how the leasing market for rolling stock may develop in future; and what assessment have they made of the experiences of rolling stock procurement (1) by Transport for London, (2) by the private sector, or (3) abroad. HL582

**The Lord Bishop of Bristol** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to continue the Review of Civil Legal Aid; and if so, when they intend to publish a final report. HL583

**The Lord Bishop of Bristol** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to increase fees payable for (1) barristers, and (2) solicitors, undertaking legal aid cases. HL584

**Lord Carrington** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of how long landlords and letting agents will need to take to prepare for, and update processes, when section 21 repossessions end. HL585

**Lord Carrington** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of how long it will take to change relevant legal forms and provide training to the judiciary and court staff on the system that replaces section 21 repossessions. HL586

**Lord Carrington** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact that ending fixed term tenancies in the private rented sector will have on lending to (1) individual residential landlords, and (2) build-to-rent developers. HL587

**Lord Cromwell** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to reduce or withdraw support to the Sustainable Farming Incentive and, if so, (1) when, and (2) by how much; and what assessment they have made of the subsequent effect on existing agreements and new applications. HL588

**Lord Cromwell** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the extent to which the Environmental Land Management Scheme will achieve a full financial replacement for support previously available under the now closed Basic Payment Scheme. HL589

**Baroness Deech** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with Network Rail concerning the impact on (1) local businesses, (2) older people, (3) disabled people, and (4) pregnant people, of the extended closure of Botley Road as part of the redevelopment of Oxford's rail station; and whether they intend to make resources available to Network Rail to mitigate that impact. HL590

**Baroness Deech** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the performance of Network Rail in replacing the Oxford railway bridge which has involved closing the main road (A420) into the city centre for the past 16 months and postponing the reopening indefinitely. HL591

**Baroness Deech** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the economic and social cost to Oxford of the closure of the A420 into the city; and what steps they plan to take, if any, to ensure that Network Rail is held accountable for the impact of the long-term closure of the road. HL592

**Baroness Eaton** to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to allowing local authorities to veto the use of hotels for the purpose of housing asylum seekers in their respective areas. HL593

**Baroness Eaton** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they plan to take to consult local authorities before Government contractors decide to use hotels in those respective areas for the purpose of housing asylum seekers. HL594

**Lord Empey** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to raise issues pertaining to the terms and operation of the Windsor Framework in their discussions with the European Union as part of the upcoming review of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement. HL595

**Baroness Finlay of Llandaff** to ask His Majesty's Government what evidence they have of unrelieved symptom distress in patients when care assistants are prohibited from administering prescribed medication at home; and how many errors have been recorded when care assistants have administered prescribed breakthrough medication in the patient's home. HL596

**Lord Forsyth of Drumlean** to ask His Majesty's Government how many children with special educational needs are in independent schools. HL597

**Lord Forsyth of Drumlean** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the total additional cost to military families of the planned introduction of VAT at 20 per cent on independent school fees. HL598

**Lord Forsyth of Drumlean** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to ensure that the planned introduction of VAT on independent school fees is consistent with the European Convention on Human Rights. HL599

**Lord Forsyth of Drumlean** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of any additional gross earnings needed by working people to meet the cost of the planned introduction of VAT on independent school fees. HL600

**Lord Forsyth of Drumlean** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to remove charitable status from independent schools; and if so, what is their estimate of the impact this would have on the cost of nursery education. HL601

**Lord Forsyth of Drumlean** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their estimate of the number of additional places which will be required by local authorities to accommodate children forced to leave independent schools as a consequence of the imposition of VAT on education fees. HL602

**Lord Foster of Bath** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Hanson of Flint on 12 August (HL502), whether they have set a date for the Electronic Travel Authorisation scheme roll out to EU nationals; and whether they have informed port operators about this timetable. HL603

**Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask His Majesty's Government what measures they propose to help the poorest pensioners who will lose their winter fuel allowance. HL604

**Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the proposals from (1) Age UK, and (2) Martin Lewis, to mitigate the losses faced by the poorest pensioners who will lose their winter fuel allowance. HL605

**Baroness Gale** to ask His Majesty's Government when they intend (1) to respond to the consultation by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on fairer food labelling that closed on 7 May, and (2) to bring forward the proposals to improve transparency in method-of-production welfare labelling for pork, chicken and eggs. HL606

**Lord Goldsmith of Richmond Park** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to carry out a monitoring report of the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership, including its environmental impact and impact on deforestation; whether they will include opportunities for expert stakeholders to provide their views and evidence; and how often they plan to carry out such a report. HL607

**Lord Goldsmith of Richmond Park** to ask His Majesty's Government when they plan to introduce secondary legislation under Schedule 17 to the Environment Act 2021; and what plans they have to review the regulations once implemented. HL608

**Baroness Goudie** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to deny preferential trading rights to companies from countries with poor human rights records. HL609

**Lord Hain** to ask His Majesty's Government what are the latest recidivism rates for all released prisoners. HL610

**Lord Hain** to ask His Majesty's Government what are the latest recidivism rates for released prisoners receiving benefits. HL611

**Lord Hain** to ask His Majesty's Government what are the latest recidivism rates for released prisoners on training schemes for job placements. HL612

**Lord Hain** to ask His Majesty's Government what are the latest recidivism rates for released prisoners in work. HL613

**Lord Hain** to ask His Majesty's Government what regulations govern training for prisoners while still in prison for job placements on release. HL614

**Lord Hain** to ask His Majesty's Government what regulations govern Universal Credit payments for prisoners immediately after their release. HL615

**Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town** to ask His Majesty's Government when they plan to publish the outcome of the Department of Health and Social Care consultation on patients' rights to request medical treatment (1) from someone of the same biological sex and (2) on single-sex wards, where "sex" refers to biological sex. HL616

**Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to make regulations under section 2(5) of the Transparency of Lobbying, Non-Party Campaigning and Trade Union Administration Act 2014 to amend section 2(3) of that Act to cover communications to a special adviser, as defined in that Act. HL617

**Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to revise the Ministerial Code. HL618

**Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they are planning to amend the terms of reference of (1) the House of Lords Appointments Commission, (2) the Office of the Commissioner for Public Appointments, (3) the Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests, or (4) the Committee on Standards in Public Life. HL619

**Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to undertake research on headlight glare, in response to the parliamentary petition on headlight dazzle. HL620

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to remove VAT from work and building materials that are utilised to repurpose old buildings into housing. HL621

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have identified older buildings in each local authority area that could be adapted to provide housing. HL622

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to encourage developers to use brownfield sites; and whether they plan to give tax breaks to developers of this land to reflect the added costs of making the land fit to be built on. HL623

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to consider the potential benefits of beautiful housing in their proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework. HL624

**Baroness Hodgson of Abinger** to ask His Majesty’s Government what their policy is towards repurposing old buildings for housing, to help address the housing crisis. HL625

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty’s Government what representations have been made to the Commonwealth to accelerate the publication by the Commonwealth Observer Group to the 2023 Zimbabwe Harmonised Elections of its final report on its findings on those elections. HL626

**Baroness Hoey** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the (1) timeliness, and (2) value for money of election monitoring missions undertaken by Commonwealth Observer Groups since 2016. HL627

**Baroness Hunt of Bethnal Green** to ask His Majesty’s Government how many young people are on the waiting list to access support at the specialist gender services at Great Ormond Street Hospital and Alder Hey Children’s Hospital; and what is the current average length of time spent by young people on the waiting list before attending their first appointment. HL628

**Baroness Hunt of Bethnal Green** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the letter from the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to all members of the House of Lords on 8 August, what other forms of care will be included within the clinical study around the use of puberty blockers for young people experiencing gender dysphoria or gender incongruence. HL629

**Lord Jamieson** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework, what is the average price per square metre for housing by local authority. HL630

**Lord Jamieson** to ask His Majesty’s Government, further to the proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework, what steps they will take to ensure there is sufficient highways infrastructure to support housing growth given that the proposed reforms would introduce a high bar for refusing development on highways grounds. HL631

**Lord Jamieson** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to ensure that the removal of the presumption of a five-year land supply for local authorities with an up-to-date local plan as part of the proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework does not lead to a significant increase in speculative applications and planners’ workload. HL632

**Lord Jamieson** to ask His Majesty’s Government what additional support and powers they will provide to local authorities to ensure that suitable land is made available by landowners and developers actually build when planning permissions has been granted. HL633

**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the effect of any slowing or collapse of the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation on their economic planning. HL634

**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to encourage local authorities to consult directors of public health when (1) creating local plans, and (2) taking planning decisions. HL635

**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to ensure that routes identified in Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans are considered by local planning authorities when (1) creating local plans, and (2) taking planning decisions. HL636

**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty’s Government what distance they consider to be a “short walk”, as referred to in paragraph 155(c) of the National Planning Policy Framework draft text, published on 30 July. HL637

**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty’s Government on what date they expect to receive the Health and Safety Executive’s final restriction opinion on the risks of using lead in ammunition to human health and the environment, which had been due for submission in March 2023. HL638

**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb** to ask His Majesty's Government whether the 30-day constant rate water quality trial, conducted at the Blackford public water source in South Harefield in April and May by Affinity Water Ltd and HS2 Ltd, found any construction-related changes to the water quality at that site, prior to plans to restart abstraction at Blackford pumping station. HL639

**Lord Kempell** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to maintain the Civil Service work-from-home rules, introduced in November 2023, which require Civil Servants to work in the office or face-to-face 60 per cent of the time, and whether they will publish a copy of those rules. HL640

**Lord Kempell** to ask His Majesty's Government when they will resume publication of Civil Service office attendance data; and how that data is broken down by department for the period between May and July this year. HL641

**Lord Kempell** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support communities in England threatened by coastal erosion, and whether they will publish a national strategy for countering the impacts of coastal erosion. HL642

**Lord Kempell** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to reform council tax banding; and if so, whether they plan to carry out and publish an assessment of the impact of any such changes. HL643

**Lord Kempell** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of UK capabilities in electronic warfare; and what steps they are taking to improve such capability. HL644

**Lord Kempell** to ask His Majesty's Government how many (1) armed forces, and (2) diplomatic families, currently receive support via the Continuity of Education Allowance; and what were the numbers supported each year since 2019. HL645

**Lord Laming** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce the number of children who are taken into the care of local authorities. HL646

**Lord Laming** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve services that aim to prevent children being taken into the care of local authorities. HL647

**Lord Laming** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce the number of children who frequently fail to attend school. HL648

**Lord Laming** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the support given to unpaid carers. HL649

**Lord Leigh of Hurley** to ask His Majesty's Government how many licences for arms export to Israel were granted in (1) July, and (2) August; and how those numbers compare to the number granted in the first half of 2024. HL650

**Lord Lipsey** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they are making with regard to their *River Wye Action Plan*, published on 12 April. HL651

**Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Sherlock on 24 July (HL300), what is their most recent estimate of the cost of abolishing the two-child limit; and how this compares with the external estimates referred to. HL652

**Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask His Majesty's Government when they will announce their decision on the extension of the Household Support Fund beyond 20 September; what assessment they have made of how the current uncertainty over its continuation will affect local authorities' delivery of the fund, should it be continued; and what assessment they have made of the calls from charities and local authorities for a longer-term statutory local crisis support scheme in place of the fund in addition to local welfare assistance schemes. HL653

**Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the findings of the papers (1) *Capped and trapped: how the benefit cap makes it almost impossible to find affordable housing*, and (2) *An impossible move?*, by CASE, published in July. HL654

**Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to encourage and support local authorities to ensure that children in their care with rights to British citizenship have their citizenship rights confirmed or registered, including where necessary by confirming relevant information from records held by the Home Office. HL655

**Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that children with rights to British citizenship can secure their citizenship rights where hostile British or settled fathers are unwilling to support their child's registration or passport applications. HL656

**Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to fulfil the commitments made to Parliament at the time of the creation of British citizenship under the British Nationality Act 1981 that information would be made available to affected individuals. HL657

**Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the current threat of blue tongue in livestock; and what steps they are taking to prevent the spread of the disease. HL658

**Lord Macpherson of Earl's Court** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will make a statement on the future of the system of Prime Minister's trade envoys. HL659

**The Lord Bishop of Manchester** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have, if any, to increase the minimum income threshold for applications for a (1) spousal, and (2) family, visa. HL660

**Lord Moylan** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to make the online self-assessment tax return form SA100 available to download, so that taxpayers wishing to submit paper returns do not have to telephone His Majesty's Revenue and Customs to obtain it. HL661

**Lord Moylan** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have plans to transport Sri Lankan nationals from Diego Garcia to the UK and if so, how many persons, and when; what assessment they have made as to how many such persons were trafficked to Diego Garcia by the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE), an organisation proscribed under the Terrorism Act 2000, or its associates; what security risks may arise as a result of any links to the LTTE; and what consideration they have given to the possibility of returning them to Sri Lanka as a safe country. HL662

**Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government, with reference to section 7 of the Ministerial Code, whether the Paymaster General and Minister for the Cabinet Office made a declaration of interest to (1) the Permanent Secretary of the Cabinet Office or (2) the Independent Adviser on Ministerial Interests, in relation to the ministerial appointment of a Labour staffer from his parliamentary office, funded by Labour Together donors, to the Cabinet Office's Propriety and Constitution Group as a civil servant without open and fair competition. HL663

**Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government how many staff previously working for (1) the Labour Party, (2) Labour Together, and (3) Labour Parliamentarians, have been recruited without open and fair competition to the Civil Service since the general election, other than as special advisers. HL664

**Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government which Treasury Minister or Ministers (1) requested and (2) approved, (a) the appointment of Ian Corfield, (b) the appointment of Oliver Newton, as civil servants, and (c) the promotion to Director for Special Advisers and Chancellor Engagement of Louise Tinsley; which senior individual or individuals in the Treasury authorised the Recruitment Principles exceptions; and whether any Ministerial Code declaration of interest was made by Treasury Ministers to (i) the Permanent Secretary, or (ii) the Independent Adviser on Ministerial Interests. HL665



**Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment the Cabinet Secretary has made of the compatibility of appointing Ms Jessica Sargeant from Labour Together as the new Deputy Director in the Cabinet Office's Propriety and Constitution Group, with (1) propriety, (2) the Nolan principles on standards in public life, and (3) the Civil Service Code's provisions on political impartiality. HL666

**Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer of Baroness Twycross on 13 August (HL548), whether further headquarters occupancy data have been collated since the end of general election purdah; what guidance they have given to the Civil Service on whether such data should continue to be collected and published; and whether they will place in the Library of the House any collated but unpublished data for the period since the election. HL667

**Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Cabinet Office of 30 July (HC923), whether paragraphs 207–208 of the Cabinet Office's Guide to Parliamentary Work (November 2022) on the relationship between the treatment of requests for information under Parliamentary Questions and the Freedom of Information Act 2000 remain their policy when answering Parliamentary Questions. HL668

**Lord Parkinson of Whitley Bay** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have had any discussions with the Metropolitan Police regarding reports that they are not investigating the illegal ignition of fireworks on bridges over the River Thames in central London on Wednesday 7 August, one of which landed in the Globe Theatre. HL669

**Lord Parkinson of Whitley Bay** to ask His Majesty's Government where the portrait of Baroness Thatcher by Richard Stone will hang or be stored following its removal from the study of 10 Downing Street. HL670

**Lord Parkinson of Whitley Bay** to ask His Majesty's Government whether the portrait of Baroness Thatcher by Richard Stone, commissioned by Gordon Brown in 2007, is part of the Government Art Collection; and if not, who owns it. HL671

**Lord Parkinson of Whitley Bay** to ask His Majesty's Government on what date the portrait of Baroness Thatcher by Richard Stone was removed from the study of 10 Downing Street. HL672

**Lord Patten** to ask His Majesty's Government how many (1) men, and (2) women, in England and Wales are currently in paid employment at the age of (a) 75, and (b) 80 years. HL673

**Lord Reid of Cardowan** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they intend to take to ensure effective border control and management of illegal immigration. HL674

**Lord Reid of Cardowan** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of recent immigration levels on public services, including healthcare, education, and housing. HL675

**Lord Reid of Cardowan** to ask His Majesty's Government what data they hold on the economic contributions of immigrants to the UK, including their roles in key sectors such as healthcare, technology, and agriculture. HL676

**Lord Reid of Cardowan** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the efficiency and fairness of the immigration system, particularly in terms of processing times and decision transparency. HL677

**Lord Reid of Cardowan** to ask His Majesty's Government in what ways they are supporting the integration of immigrants into UK society, and what measures are in place to promote community cohesion and reduce discrimination. HL678

**Lord Reid of Cardowan** to ask His Majesty's Government, in light of current labour shortages in various industries, how they are adjusting immigration policies to attract and retain skilled workers from abroad. HL679

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what timelines are in place for the development of a cost-benefit analysis on the centralised procurement and supply of adult flu vaccines, in line with paragraph 4.5.6 of the NHS Vaccination Strategy. HL680

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to engage with external stakeholders in the development of a cost-benefit analysis of the centralised procurement and supply of adult flu vaccines, in line with paragraph 4.5.6 of the NHS Vaccination Strategy. HL681

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the El Niño floods, upon children and families in Somalia. HL682

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Official Development Assistance budget for overseas aid. HL683

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they will give to the Official Development Assistance budget for overseas aid in the forthcoming Autumn Budget statement. HL684

**Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick** to ask His Majesty's Government what is their assessment of the annual survey of hospital inpatients in England and Wales, published by the Care Quality Commission on 21 August. HL685

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the findings set out by UNICEF in their press release 'Almost 300,000 Children Threatened by Severe Acute Malnutrition in Six Drought-Affected Countries in Southern Africa', published on 25 July; and whether they intend to provide additional aid in response to that drought. HL686

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to tackle hare coursing; and what assessment they have made of whether hare coursing is increasing. HL687

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the finding in the report *The State of the Arts*, published by Campaign for the Arts and the University of Warwick on 22 July, that the UK has one of the lowest levels of government spending on arts and culture among European countries; and whether they intend to increase funding to local councils for local arts programmes. HL688

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the number of robbery and shoplifting offences in Hertfordshire; and what steps they plan to take to tackle those crimes in that area. HL689

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to take steps to prevent UK consumers from purchasing goods produced by forced labour; and what assessment they have made of (1) the decision by the government of the United States to add aluminium to its list of priority sectors for the enforcement of the Uyghur Forced Labour Prevention Act, and (2) European Commission plans to publish an online database of regions and sectors where forced labour is a risk. HL690

**The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of whether allowing the use of debit cards and digital payment wallets in land-based gambling venues will prevent (1) their closure, (2) a decline in revenue, or (3) job losses. HL691

**Lord Sharkey** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Vere of Norbiton on 13 May (HL4179), when they expect to publish the summary of responses and details of next steps for the *Tax Simplification for Alternative Finance* consultation, which closed on 9 April. HL692

**Baroness Stedman-Scott** to ask His Majesty's Government how many responses have been received to the call for input on incorrect guidance on single-sex spaces and gender self-identification, published on 1 May; and what is the estimated date for publishing the Government response to the consultation and the summary of responses. HL693

**Baroness Stedman-Scott** to ask His Majesty’s Government what is their policy on (1) Whitehall departments, and (2) arms-length bodies, spending taxpayers’ money on affiliating to Stonewall. HL694

**Lord Stevens of Birmingham** to ask His Majesty’s Government which scientific criteria they apply in deciding whether an educational institution can describe itself as a Health Sciences University; whether these criteria could apply to an institution teaching homeopathy and other alternative therapies; and which peer-reviewed research or externally-assessed teaching the Office for Students relied upon in deciding to allow the Anglo-European College of Chiropractic and University College of Osteopathy to rebrand themselves as the Health Sciences University. HL695

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to ensure Britain remains competitive in AI innovation following cuts to AI investment. HL696

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to protect consumers from highly inflated ticket prices resulting from the use of dynamic pricing software. HL697

**Lord Taylor of Warwick** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to ensure the wellbeing of pensioners this winter, particularly in the light of (1) the forecasted rise of household bills, and (2) the removal of the Winter Fuel Allowance. HL698

**Lord Teverson** to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they plan to ensure that UK citizens have the right to marry or form a civil partnership, other than a marriage of convenience, with whom they wish, and have the freedom to reside with their spouse or partner in the UK whatever their wealth or income. HL699

**Lord Teverson** to ask His Majesty’s Government for what reason the second of the green belt purposes in paragraph 140 of the draft National Planning Policy Framework, “to prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another”, is not replicated in paragraph 155 regarding major development permitted through development management or on land which has been released from the green belt. HL700

**Lord Teverson** to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they intend that the “vision led approach” required by paragraph 112 of the draft National Planning Policy Framework should be based on any or all of (1) local transport plans, (2) local cycling and walking infrastructure plans, (3) rights of way improvement plans, and (4) bus service improvement plans. HL701

**The Lord Bishop of Winchester** to ask His Majesty’s Government what representations they plan to make to the government of Iraq regarding the subversion of regional government by Iranian-backed militia in the Ninevah Plains and the impact of this on the stability of the region and on the safety of the Christian community there. HL702

## 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.*

### **23 July** (6 August)

HL279 Lord Watson of Wyre Forest [Ministry of Defence]

### **30 July** (13 August)

HL479 Lord Alton of Liverpool [Ministry of Defence]

HL536 Lord Scriven [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

HL540 Baroness Smith of Llanfaes [Leader of the House of Lords]

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

Leader of the House of Lords (1)

Defence (2)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (1)

**Bills in Progress**

	<b>Type of Bill</b>	<b>To be considered</b>
<b>Waiting for Second Reading</b>		
Holocaust Memorial Bill	Government	4 September
Support for Infants and Parents etc (Information) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	6 September
Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Lithium-ion Battery Safety Bill [HL]	Private Member's	6 September
Regulated and Other Activities (Mandatory Reporting of Child Sexual Abuse) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Lords Spiritual (Women) Act 2015 (Extension) Bill [HL]	Government	
Marine Protected Areas (Bottom Trawling) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	6 September
Education (Values of British Citizenship) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Statutory Instruments (Amendment) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
<b>Committed to a Grand Committee</b>		
Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]	Government	5 September
<b>Committed to a Committee of the Whole House</b>		
Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill [HL]	Government	
Arbitration Bill [HL]	Government	
Crown Estate Bill [HL]	Government	

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

Draft European Forest Institute (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2024

Draft Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Vehicle Drivers (Certificates of Professional Competence) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Armed Forces Act 2006 (Continuation) Order 2024

Draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Ombudsman Scheme) (Fees) Regulations 2024

Draft Government of Wales Act 2006 (Devolved Welsh Authorities) (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Ivory Act 2018 (Meaning of "Ivory" and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024

Draft Information Sharing (Disclosure by the Registrar) Regulations 2024

Draft Registrar (Identity Verification and Authorised Corporate Service Providers) Regulations 2024

Draft Separation of Waste (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024

Draft Renewable Transport Fuel Obligations (Sustainable Aviation Fuel) Order 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (Disability Assistance) (Consequential Modifications) Order 2024

Draft Human Medicines (Amendments Relating to Naloxone and Transfers of Functions) Regulations 2024

Draft Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 (Juxtaposed Controls) (Amendment) Order 2024

Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024

Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2024

Draft Carbon Dioxide Transport and Storage (Determination of Turnover for Penalties) Regulations 2024

Draft Contracts for Difference (Electricity Supplier Obligations) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Infected Blood Compensation Scheme Regulations 2024

Draft Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024

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

Draft Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure (Security Requirements for Relevant Connectable Products) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Local Digital Television Programme Services (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Magistrates' Courts Fees (Amendment) Order 2024

### **Negative Instruments**

Immigration (Guidance on Detention of Vulnerable Persons) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 25th Report, Session 2023–24. Praying time ended 23 July*

Building (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 1st Report. Praying time ends 9 September*

Sentencing Act 2020 (Special Procedures for Community and Suspended Sentence Orders) Regulations 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 11 September*

Separation of Waste (England) Regulations 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 8 October*

Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Commodity Derivatives and Emission Allowances) (Amendment) Order 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 12 October*

Medicines (Gonadotrophin-Releasing Hormone Analogues) (Emergency Prohibition) (England, Wales and Scotland) Order 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 12 October*

## LEGISLATION

National Health Service (General Medical Services Contracts) (Prescription of Drugs etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *1st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 12 October*

Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment Regulations 2024 *Praying time expires 3 November.*

### **Treaties before the House**

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

Amending Protocol between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Moldova to extend Amending Agreement No. 1 between the two countries to amend the Strategic Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the two countries *Scrutiny period expires: 14 October*

Amendment to the Agreement between the United Kingdom and the United States of America for Cooperation on the Uses of Atomic Energy for Mutual Defense Purposes *Scrutiny period expires: 23 October*

Framework Agreement between the United Kingdom and Ukraine on Official Credit Support for the Development of Ukraine's Defence Capabilities *Scrutiny period expires: 29 October*

Agreement among the United Kingdom, Australia, and the United States of America for Cooperation related to Naval Nuclear Propulsion *Scrutiny period expires: 29 October*

### **Retirement**

*The following member of the House has given notice of her intention to retire.*

Baroness Smith of Gilmorehill (28 February 2025)

## COMMITTEES

### Committees

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

#### **Tuesday 3 September**

Science and Technology Committee	Room 2	10.00am
Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Built Environment Committee	Room 4	10.30am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee	Room 1	10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 1	2.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee	Room 3	3.00pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 2A	3.45pm
European Affairs Committee	Room 4	4.00pm
International Agreements Committee	Room 3A	4.00pm

#### **Wednesday 4 September**

Constitution Committee	Room 2	10.00am
Financial Services Regulation Committee	Room 1	10.00am
Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 3	10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee	Room 4	10.30am
Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee	Room 3A	10.30am
Public Services Committee	Room 2A	11.00am

#### **Thursday 5 September**

Preterm Birth Committee	Room 3	9.30am
Food, Diet and Obesity Committee	Room 1	9.45am

#### **Wednesday 11 September**

Finance Committee	Room 3A	3.45pm
Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm

#### **Thursday 12 September**

Services Committee	Room 3A	12.30pm
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#### **Tuesday 8 October**

Liaison Committee	Room G-32, Millbank House	10.00am
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#### **Wednesday 30 October**

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	10.00am
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## Minutes of Proceedings of Monday 2 September 2024

*The House met at 2.30pm.*

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

1 **Lord Spellar** The Rt Hon John Francis Spellar, having been created Baron Spellar, of Smethwick in the County of the West Midlands for life by Letters Patent dated in the afternoon of 12 August, was introduced between Lord Jordan and Baroness Smith of Basildon, took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

2 **Baroness Winterton of Doncaster** The Rt Hon Dame Rosalie Winterton, DBE, having been created Baroness Winterton of Doncaster, of Doncaster in the County of South Yorkshire for life by Letters Patent dated in the forenoon of 13 August, was introduced between Lord Falconer of Thoroton and Baroness Smith of Basildon, made and subscribed the solemn affirmation and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

3 **Oaths** The following members took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the code of Conduct:

Barbara Lilian Baroness Janke

Parry Andrew Lord Mitchell

Charles David Lord Powell of Bayswater

David William Lord Finkelstein

Martin John Lord Rees of Ludlow

Simon Gordon Jared Lord Russell of Liverpool

4 **Retirements** The Lord Speaker (Lord McFall of Alcluith) informed the House that the following members of the House had retired under section 1 of the House of Lords Reform Act 2014:

Baroness Jolly with effect from 31 July

Lord Warner with effect from 1 August

Lord Owen with effect from 13 August

### Public Business

5 **NHS Continuing Healthcare** A question was asked by Lord Crisp and answered by Baroness Merron.

6 **Social care reform** A question was asked by Lord Young of Cookham and answered by Baroness Merron.

7 **International Anti-Corruption Court** A question was asked by Lord Hain and answered by Baroness Chapman of Darlington.

8 **International Law Enforcement Alerts Platform** A question was asked by Lord Kirkhope of Harrogate and answered by Lord Hanson of Flint.

9 **Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL]** Baroness Hamwee presented a bill to make provision for leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom to be granted to the family members of refugees and of people granted humanitarian protection; to provide for legal aid to be made available in such cases; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 13)

10 **Statutory Instruments (Amendment) Bill [HL]** Lord Thomas of Gresford presented a bill to amend the Statutory Instruments Act 1946; to make provision for the conditional amendment of statutory instruments; and for connected purposes. It was read a first time and ordered to be printed. (HL Bill 14)

11 **Crown Estate Bill [HL]** Lord Livermore moved that the bill be now read a second time. After debate, the motion was agreed to and the bill was committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

12 **Vaping products: usage by children** A question was asked by Lord Storey and, after debate, answered by Baroness Merron.

13 **Oath** Katherine Patricia Irene Baroness Adams of Craigielea took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

*The House adjourned at 8.22pm until Tuesday 3 September at 2.30pm.*

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

## Papers

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

### Paper Withdrawn

The following paper, laid before the House on the date shown, was withdrawn:

- 1 Secretary of State determination of fishing opportunities for British fishing boats, withdrawn on 16 August (*18 March*)

### Command Papers

The following papers were presented to the House by command of His Majesty. Dates in brackets indicate the non-sitting days on which those papers were laid:

- 1 Fisheries—Secretary of State determination of fishing opportunities for British fishing boats (16 August). (1137)
- 2 Trade—Trade Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republics of Colombia, Ecuador and Peru (21 August). (1138)
- 3 Nuclear Weapons—Agreement between the United Kingdom and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the Application of Safeguards in the United Kingdom in Connection with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (21 August). (1139)
- 4 Nuclear Weapons—Protocol Additional to the Agreement between the United Kingdom and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the Application of Safeguards in the United Kingdom in Connection with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (21 August). (1140)
- 5 Justice—Convention on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance (21 August). (1141)
- 6 Transport—Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Moldova on International Road Transport (27 August). (1143)
- 7 Council of Europe—Council of Europe Convention on Cinematographic Co-Production (Revised) (27 August). (1144)
- 8 Trade—Agreement establishing an Association between the United Kingdom and the Republic of Chile (27 August). (1145)
- 9 Trade—Agreement establishing an Association between the United Kingdom and the Arab Republic of Egypt (27 August). (1146)
- 10 Defence—Exchange of Notes on the Agreement between the United States of America and the United Kingdom regarding Defence Trade Cooperation in Support of AUKUS. (1149)
- 11 Contingent Liability—Minute from the Department of Health and Social Care concerning notification of a contingent liability relating to the Covid-19 autumn 2024 vaccination programme. (—)
- 12 Contingent Liability—Minute from the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology concerning notification of a contingent liability relating to the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts Headquarters Project. (—)
- 13 Explanatory Memorandum (Revised)—Replacement Explanatory Memorandum to the Electricity (Class Exemptions from the Requirement for a Licence) (Amendment) Order 2024, originally laid on 26 July. (—)

### **Statutory Instruments laid under Standing Order 70**

The following instruments were laid before the House on the dates shown:

- 1 Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024 (Water Mergers) (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2024 (*Negative Instrument, No. 840, laid on 31 July*)
- 2 Statutory Paternity Pay and Statutory Adoption Pay (Parental Orders and Prospective Adopters) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (*Negative Instrument, No. 843, laid on 31 July*)
- 3 Windsor Framework (Retail Movement Scheme: Plant and Animal Health) (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2024 (*Negative Instrument, No. 853, laid on 9 August*)
- 4 Medicines (Gonadotrophin-Releasing Hormone Analogues) (Emergency Prohibition) (Extension) Order 2024 (*Negative Instrument, No. 868, laid on 22 August*)
- 5 Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment Regulations 2024 (*Negative Instrument, No. 869, laid on 22 August*)
- 6 Infected Blood Compensation Scheme Regulations 2024 (*Affirmative Instrument, No. 872, laid on 23 August*)
- 7 Local Government Pension Scheme (Information) Regulations 2024 (*Negative Instrument, No. 880, laid on 28 August*)

### **Affirmative Instrument**

The following instrument was laid before the House for approval by resolution:

- 1 Draft Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024

### **Negative Instrument**

The following instrument was laid before the House:

- 1 Civil Legal Aid (Standard Civil Contract - Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024 (889)

### **Treaties subject to scrutiny under the Constitutional Reform and Governance Act 2010**

The following papers were laid before the House by command of His Majesty, together with Explanatory Memoranda:

- 1 Foreign Affairs—Framework Agreement between the United Kingdom and Ukraine on Official Credit Support for the Development of Ukraine’s Defence Capabilities (1147)
- 2 Defence—Agreement among the United Kingdom, Australia, and the United States of America for Cooperation related to Naval Nuclear Propulsion (1148)

### **Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings**

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Government Indemnity Scheme: Statement to Parliament on the level of outstanding liabilities under the Scheme for the six-month period ending 31 March 2024
- 2 Government Response to the Animal Sentience Committee’s assessment of Veterinary Medicines Regulations (2013) revisions
- 3 Report and Accounts of Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne and Wear NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 4 Report of the Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration 2023–24