

Monday 14 October 2024 at 2.30pm

Baroness Laing of Elderslie, and

Baroness Cass will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Campbell-Savours** to ask the Leader of the House what plans she has to promote awareness among members of the rules and conventions relating to behaviour and courtesy in the Chamber.

***Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to engage the food and drink industry in reformulating their products to reduce processed sugar in favour of healthier natural alternatives.

***Baroness Benjamin** to ask His Majesty's Government what stage the Independent Pornography Review has reached and what are its findings to date.

***Lord Hain** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of whether current negotiations will end the Gaza crisis.

Crown Estate Bill [HL] Committee [Lord Livermore]

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. (*Dinner break business, 1 hour*)

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

Baroness Lister of Burtersett to move that the Grand Committee 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*

Future Business**Tuesday 15 October 2024 at 2.30pm**

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Neville-Rolfe** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to change procurement guidance and operations under the Procurement Act 2023.

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***Baroness Chakrabarti** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the value of, and the progress towards achieving the aims of the Council of Europe Framework Convention on artificial intelligence and human rights, democracy, and the rule of law, adopted on 17 May.

***Lord Parkinson of Whitley Bay** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to maintain the current rates of Theatre Tax Relief, Orchestra Tax Relief, and Museums and Galleries Exhibition Tax Relief, as announced in the Budget on 6 March, beyond the current Spending Review period.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Friday 11 October.

Procedure and Privileges The Senior Deputy Speaker to move that the Report from the Select Committee *Law Commission bill procedure* (1st Report, HL Paper 14) be agreed to.

Baroness Twycross to move that this House takes note of the response to the Infected Blood Inquiry.

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government what are their priorities for rural communities over the next two years. (*1½ hours*)

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3.45pm

Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Collins of Highbury] *Instrument not yet reported by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments*

Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Lord Collins of Highbury] *Instrument not yet reported by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments*

Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (Disability Assistance) (Consequential Modifications) Order 2024 Consideration in Grand Committee [Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent] *Instrument not yet reported by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments*

Wednesday 16 October 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Thornton** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to give legal recognition to humanist weddings.

***Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what restrictions they are considering placing on the use of biocidal products in over-the-counter hand and body washes.

***Baroness Sugg** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to raise the statutory limitation period for bringing a claim for medical product liability from 10 years to 20.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Monday 14 October.

Lords Spiritual (Women) Act 2015 (Extension) Bill [HL] Committee [Baroness Smith of Basildon]

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).

Thursday 17 October 2024 at 11.00am

Lord Mackinlay of Richborough will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Wilcox of Newport** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to promote equality of opportunity in the education sector, particularly in schools.

***Lord Woodley** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the potential merits of bringing forward the deadline for requiring all new vehicles sold to be 'zero emission' from 2035 to 2030.

***Lord Holmes of Richmond** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to regulate artificial intelligence and, if so, which uses they intend to regulate.

Topical oral question. Ballot opens at 3pm on Friday 11 October, to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 15 October.

Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale to move that this House takes note of the impact of conflict, extreme poverty and climate-related emergencies globally; and of the progress towards achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals. (*Balloted debate*)

Lord Lexden to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the implications of levying VAT on independent schools with effect from 1 January 2025. (*Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour*) [I]

Baroness Featherstone to move that this House takes note of the 40th anniversary of the 1984 Ethiopia famine in the light of the current conflict and food insecurity in the country. (*Balloted debate*)

Friday 18 October 2024 at 10.00am

Education (Values of British Citizenship) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Lord Harries of Pentregarth]

Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Baroness Hamwee]

Statutory Instruments (Amendment) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Lord Thomas of Gresford]

Environmental Targets (Public Authorities) Bill [HL] Second Reading [Lord Krebs]

Monday 21 October 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Sandhurst** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to prevent criminals who have been released under the prisoner early release scheme from reoffending.

***Baroness Barran** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to publish the main findings of Sir David Bell's review of early years provision, commissioned by the Labour Party in October 2023.

***Baroness Warwick of Undercliffe** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to build capacity in councils and housing associations within the next three months to increase the building of new social homes.

***Lord Hacking** to ask His Majesty's Government what estimates they have made of the pupil migration arising out of the proposed VAT on independent school fees, and what is the exact basis of such estimates.

Tuesday 22 October 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Young of Cookham** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce absenteeism in schools.

***Baroness Scott of Bybrook** to ask His Majesty's Government when they plan to introduce legislation to implement 'Awaab's Law'.

***Baroness Lister of Burtersett** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the benefit cap on child poverty.

Wednesday 23 October 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Londesborough** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of working from home on productivity in the public sector.

***Baroness Bryan of Partick** to ask His Majesty's Government how many decommissioned nuclear-powered submarines there are in Scotland; and how many years it will take to safely dismantle them.

***Lord Grocott** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have in respect of land already purchased for HS2 north of Birmingham.

Thursday 24 October 2024 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Addington** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to review the effectiveness of the 'education and healthcare plans' process for identifying and delivering support to those with special educational needs.

***The Earl of Clancarty** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they will take to further protect the rights of EU citizens living in the UK; and what improvements they intend to make to the EU Settlement Scheme.

***Lord Foulkes of Cumnock** to ask His Majesty's Government what meetings have taken place between UK Government Ministers and Scottish Government Ministers in the past month and what matters were discussed.

Lord Lilley to move that this House takes note of the impact of His Majesty's Government's climate agenda on jobs, growth and prosperity.

It is expected that a topical question for short debate will be asked. Ballot opens at 10am on Monday 14 October, to be drawn at 12 noon on Tuesday 15 October.

Baroness Monckton of Dallington Forest to move that this House takes note of the contribution that special needs schools and specialist education colleges make to the education sector.

Monday 28 October 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Tyler of Enfield** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps, if any, they are taking to lower fees being charged by unregistered children's homes.

***Lord Winston** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Medical Research Council's plans to close certain specialised research units; and of the implications of those plans for affected scientists.

***Baroness Kramer** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the current capacity and efficacy of the law to provide confidentiality for whistleblowers and to protect them from retaliation.

***Lord Sikka** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the report *Women's State Pension age: our findings on injustice and associated issues*, published by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman on 21 March, how much compensation they plan to pay to affected women, or to the families of affected women who have died; and on what timescale.

Tuesday 29 October 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions, if any, they have had with the International Olympic Committee, British Olympic Association, or relevant governing bodies for British boxing, about reports of biological males boxing in the female category in the Olympics in Paris; and what discussions they have had with the relevant governing bodies about biological males competing in any female category of sport at the Olympics or Paralympics.

***The Lord Bishop of Newcastle** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce the number of young people not in employment, education, or training.

***Viscount Younger of Leckie** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support pensioners this winter.

Wednesday 30 October 2024 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Wood of Anfield** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to create new opportunities for young people to volunteer abroad.

***Lord Touhig** to ask His Majesty's Government how many unaccompanied migrant children are being accommodated in hotels.

***Lord Rooker** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have any plans to create a legal right for British nationals to access consular assistance in cases of human rights violations.

Thursday 31 October 2024 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Faulkner of Worcester** to ask His Majesty's Government what support they are giving to Railway 200 to celebrate the two-hundredth anniversary of the birth of the modern railway.

***Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Duke of Edinburgh's Award report *Youth Voices 2024*, published on 23 July, what assessment they have made of how young people are represented in Government policy development and decision-making.

***Baroness Kingsmill** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to eliminate the need for foodbanks.

Baroness Morgan of Drefelin to move that this House takes note of the contribution of the community and voluntary sector to society across the United Kingdom.

Viscount Stansgate to move that this House takes note of the contribution of science and technology to the UK economy.

Monday 4 November 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Penn** to ask His Majesty's Government how many people claim the single person discount for council tax, and what the average value of that discount is for a Band D home.

***Lord Bassam of Brighton** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support the continued success of Team GB at the Olympic and Paralympic Games, and to ensure that there is community benefit from such participation.

***Lord Cameron of Lochiel** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to strengthen Scotland's position within the United Kingdom.

***Baroness Stedman-Scott** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure every pensioner who is eligible for Pension Credit receives it.

Tuesday 5 November 2024 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Hughes of Stretford** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have for reducing inequality and closing the early years educational attainment gap for pre-school children.

***Baroness Fox of Buckley** to ask His Majesty's Government, following the downgrading of data gathered from the 2021 Census question on gender identity, what steps they are taking to ensure accurate and consistent data on sex and gender are collected to ensure robust official data.

***Lord Wigley** to ask His Majesty's Government what representations they have received from the Welsh Government concerning the Barnett Formula to fund public services in Wales.

Wednesday 6 November 2024 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Bakewell of Hardington Mandeville** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure the provision of adequate and culturally appropriate accommodation for Gypsy and Traveller communities.

***Lord Lexden** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in implementing the measures set out in the Command Paper *Safeguarding the Union* (CP 1021), published in January.

***Baroness Parminter** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effectiveness of the implementation of the biodiversity net gain provisions.

Motions for Balloted Debate

The ballot to select two motions for debate closes on Tuesday 29 October to be drawn on Wednesday 30 October, for debate on Thursday 14 November. Combined time limit of 5 hours.

Baroness Coussins to move that this House takes note of short and long-term Government funding for the BBC World Service.

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

The Earl of Clancarty to move that this House takes note of the effect of the United Kingdom leaving the European Union on the arts and creative industries.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to move that this House takes note of Government policy towards China especially in relation to human rights and security issues arising from China's actions in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Tibet, and the South China Sea, and against the Uyghurs in Xinjiang.

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to move that this House takes note of the importance of growing the rural economy.

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*

Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

Baroness Hoey to move that an Humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying that the Windsor Framework (Retail Movement Scheme: Plant and Animal Health) (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2024 (SI 2024/853), laid before the House on 9 August, be annulled.

Lord Davies of Brixton to move that this House takes note of the draft Pensions Regulator's Defined Benefit Funding Code of Practice 2024, laid before the House on 29 July. *2nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

†**Baroness Brinton** to move that this House, while welcoming the progress made to compensate eligible infected persons, regrets that close family members and carers affected by the infected blood scandal are not included in the Infected Blood Compensation Scheme Regulations 2024, laid before the House on 23 August (SI 2024/872), as recommended by the Inquiry. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd Report*

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 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 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 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 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*)

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*)

Baroness McIntosh of Pickering to ask His Majesty's Government what are their priorities for rural communities for the next two years. (*Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs*)

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to provide assistance to Rohingya refugees in Cox's Bazar and other parts of Bangladesh. (*Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*)

Baroness Fraser of Craigmaddie to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to support children with special educational needs and disabilities. (*Department for Education*)

Baroness Monckton of Dallington Forest to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to address the declining numbers of learning disability nurses, and provide opportunities for their training. (*Department for Health and Social Care*)

Baroness Helic to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of establishing a close season during which the killing or taking of hares is prohibited. (*Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs*)

Lord Black of Brentwood to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they are making towards universal provision of fracture liaison services in England by 2030. (*Department for Health and Social Care*)

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

†**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 Bird** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to address the correlation between coronary heart disease and food poverty. (*Department of Health and Social Care*)

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 10 October and due for answer by 24 October.

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to Lithuania's referral of Belarus to the International Criminal Court, and whether they support the referral.
HL1484

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government whether they intend to join Germany, Australia, Canada and the Netherlands in bringing proceedings against the Taliban as the *de facto* government of Afghanistan for the violations of Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women.
HL1485

Lord Browne of Ladyton to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Prime Minister's speech at the UN General Assembly on 26 September, whether they are supportive of an international treaty on Autonomous Weapon Systems.
HL1486

Lord Caine to ask His Majesty's Government whether they carried out an impact assessment prior to the decision not to proceed with UK-wide implementation of "Not for EU" labelling with regard to the availability of goods in Northern Ireland; and if so, whether they plan to publish that assessment.
HL1487

Lord Cashman to ask His Majesty's Government, in view of the advancing mpox epidemic, especially clade Ib, and given that a recent study has found that the effect of Imvanex wanes to undetectable levels after one year, to what extent His Majesty's Government hold a mixed stockpile of the three globally approved vaccines.
HL1488

Lord Cashman to ask His Majesty's Government whether, since the PALM007 study has shown the antiviral ingredient tecovirimat does not always reduce the duration of mpox lesions, a mixed stockpile of antiviral agents for mpox is being considered.
HL1489

Lord Farmer to ask His Majesty's Government why the Genomics England and NHS England 'Generation Study', offering 100,000 newborns whole genome sequencing after birth to diagnose and support a number of genetic conditions, does not include 22q11.2 deletion syndrome which meets the four requisite principles for inclusion.
HL1490

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government what support they have given to the International Ministerial Conference on Freedom of Religion and Belief in Berlin on 10 October.
HL1491

Lord Jackson of Peterborough to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Collins of Highbury on 31 July (HL154), when they expect to announce whether they will appoint a Special Envoy for Freedom of Religion and Belief.
HL1492

Lord McColl of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the written answer by Lord Markham of 17 May (HL4521), whether the recommended limit of 30g a day of fat contained in the Eatwell Guide is also based on the Committee on Medical Aspects of Nutrition Policy (COMA) 1994 report, and if so whether the guidance should be updated in the light of further, more up-to-date research.
HL1493

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Cabinet Office on 17 September (HC4644), what assessment they have made of the risks associated with former Labour Party staffers who are now working as civil servants having access to papers relating to the work of the previous Administration
HL1494

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Livermore on 24 September, which specific Minister requested the appointment of Ian Corfield as a civil servant in July.
HL1495

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Livermore on 24 September, whether the Treasury holds a Ministerial Code declaration made to the Permanent Secretary when Ian Cofield was appointed as a civil servant; and if so, whether they will place a copy of the declaration in the Library of the House. HL1496

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 19 September, whether the Cabinet Office holds a Ministerial Code declaration made to the Permanent Secretary when Jessica Sarjeant was appointed as a civil servant; and if so, whether they will place a copy of the declaration in the Library of the House. HL1497

Baroness Neville-Rolfe to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Twycross on 4 October, what estimate they have made of the cost to business of imposing the mission-led measures in public procurement, and any associated increase in public procurement costs to taxpayers; and what estimate they have made of the cost to business of delaying the commencement of the Procurement Act 2023 to 2025. HL1498

The Lord Bishop of Newcastle to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the financial impact that the five-week wait has on those awaiting their first Universal Credit payment. HL1499

The Lord Bishop of Newcastle to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to extend the provision of free school meals to all children living in households in receipt of Universal Credit. HL1500

The Lord Bishop of Newcastle to ask His Majesty's Government how they plan to consult and engage with local groups and schools as part of the child poverty taskforce. HL1501

The Lord Bishop of Newcastle to ask His Majesty's Government with which external experts from the region of the North East they plan to engage as part of their child poverty taskforce. HL1502

Baroness Pidgeon to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the remarks by Baroness Blake of Leeds on 7 October that savings of between £110 million and £150 million would accrue from the public ownership of the railway (HL Deb col 1833), how this figure was calculated. HL1503

Baroness Quin to ask His Majesty's Government whether they have had, or will have, discussions with the Scottish Government about shared responsibilities for the water quality of the River Tweed. HL1504

Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to collect data from local authorities on the condition of cycleways and footpaths; whether they intend to allocate funding for maintenance; and what assessment they have made of the impact that this would have on active travel. HL1505

Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government how they monitor the condition of bridges; and when they last received a request for data collection from local authorities concerning bridge conditions. HL1506

Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they have given to expanding transport funding for local authorities from annual allocations to five-year periods, in line with the City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement, to encourage long-term maintenance regimes; and what assessment they have made of the cost-effectiveness of this. HL1507

Baroness Randerson to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the effectiveness of funding allocations made so far for the Turing Scheme; and whether they have any plans to change the criteria used for the scheme to increase its effectiveness. HL1508 [I]

Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of (1) educational buildings, (2) mosques, (3) churches, (4) hospitals, and (5) synagogues, have been destroyed or damaged by war in Gaza since October 2023. HL1509

Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask His Majesty's Government what percentage of knife-related homicides between 2000 and 2024 were by machete. HL1510

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government whether any underspend in the 2023–24 budget for the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs will be rolled forward to enhance future years' budgets. HL1511

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government what percentage of wild badgers need to be vaccinated to achieve the same efficacy in reducing bovine tuberculosis as culling badgers; and what assessment they have made of the feasibility of this. HL1512

Lord Roborough to ask His Majesty's Government whether they aim to ensure that the Land Use Framework merely informs decisions by land owners and does not set prescriptive requirements. HL1513

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government, with regard to the finding in the Christians Against Poverty report *Under the rubble of debt and poverty*, published in May, that 59 per cent of their new clients had incomes below the poverty line, what steps they will take to reduce the number of individuals living below this threshold. HL1514

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Christians Against Poverty briefing paper *Deficit budgets: The cost to stay alive*, published in September, what steps they are taking to address the impact of deficit budgets on the mental and physical health of those affected. HL1515

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Christians Against Poverty briefing paper *Deficit budgets: The cost to stay alive*, published in September, what steps they are taking to increase access to financial advice and debt management services for those experiencing deficit budgets. HL1516

The Lord Bishop of St Albans to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Christians Against Poverty briefing paper *Deficit budgets: The cost to stay alive*, published in September, what assessment they have made of the finding in that paper that 82 per cent of Christians Against Poverty coaches have seen an increase in the number of clients with deficit budgets in the past year; and what steps they are taking in response. HL1517

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect renters as availability of rental properties decreases. HL1518

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the use of technology in addressing the rise of vehicle-related incidents due to potholes. HL1519

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to reduce the impact of AI deep fake videos, particularly in relation to politicians. HL1520

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government what proportion of the adult education budget was, or has been, allocated to Combined Mayoral Authorities in (1) 2023–24, (2) 2024–25, and (3) 2025–26, under devolution agreements. HL1521

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government how many people were enrolled on courses funded under the 'Free courses for jobs' scheme in 2022–23; and how many of them were earning more than £25,000. HL1522

Baroness Wolf of Dulwich to ask His Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the effect of restricting eligibility to the 'Free courses for jobs' to those earning under £25,000 on the number of courses offered which deliver qualifications covered by the initiative. HL1523

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.

30 July (13 August)

HL536 Lord Scriven [Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office]

12 September (26 September)

HL1055 Lord Lucas [Department of Health and Social Care]

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

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (1)

Health and Social Care (1)

Bills in Progress

	Type of Bill	To be considered
Waiting for Second Reading		
Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Regulated and Other Activities (Mandatory Reporting of Child Sexual Abuse) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Education (Values of British Citizenship) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	18 October
Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	18 October
Statutory Instruments (Amendment) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	18 October
Environmental Targets (Public Authorities) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	18 October
Complications from Abortions (Annual Report) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Imprisonment for Public Protection (Re-sentencing) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Women, Peace and Security Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Home School Education Registration and Support Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Listed Investment Companies (Classification etc) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Asylum Support (Prescribed Period) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Non-Consensual Sexually Explicit Images and Videos (Offences) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Public Authority Algorithmic and Automated Decision-Making Systems Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Permitted Development Rights (Extension) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Crown Estate (Wales) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Universal Credit (Standard Allowance Entitlement of Care Leavers) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] (<i>Law Commission Bill</i>)	Government	
Consumer Products (Control of Biocides) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Mortgage Prisoners Inquiry Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Education (Assemblies) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
House of Lords (Peerage Nominations) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Palestine Statehood (Recognition) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (Transfer of Functions etc) Bill [HL]	Government	
Committed to a Select Committee		
Holocaust Memorial Bill	Government	15 October, at 1.30pm
Committed to a Grand Committee		
Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Committed to a Committee of the Whole House		
Crown Estate Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Government	14 October
Support for Infants and Parents etc (Information) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Lithium-ion Battery Safety Bill [HL]	Private Member's	

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Lords Spiritual (Women) Act 2015 (Extension) Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Government	16 October
Passenger Railway Services (Public Ownership) Bill (<i>Scottish and Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Water (Special Measures) Bill [HL] (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Waiting for Report		
Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]	Government	
Arbitration Bill [HL] (<i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Waiting for Third Reading		
Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL]	Private	
Sent to the Commons		
Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) 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 *2nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*
- 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*
- 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 (*15 October*)
- Draft Human Medicines (Amendments Relating to Naloxone and Transfers of Functions) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd Report*

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

Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024 *(15 October)*

Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2024 *(15 October)*

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

Draft Contracts for Difference (Electricity Supplier Obligations) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *2nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Infected Blood Compensation Scheme Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd Report*

Draft Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024 *3rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2024 *3rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Insurance and Reinsurance Undertakings (Prudential Requirements) (Amendment and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2024

Draft Communications Act 2003 (Disclosure of Information) Order 2024

Draft Franchising Schemes (Franchising Authorities) (England) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

Draft Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes (Amendment) Order 2024

Draft Scotland Act 1998 (Specification of Devolved Tax) (Building Safety) Order 2024

Iran (Sanctions) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (944)

Draft Animal Welfare (Livestock Exports) Enforcement Regulations 2024

Draft Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) Order 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report*

Draft Online Safety Act 2023 (Priority Offences) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Barnsley and Sheffield (Boundary Change) Order 2024

Draft Packaged Retail and Insurance-based Investment Products (Retail Disclosure) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Prudential Regulation of Credit Institutions (Meaning of CRR Rules and Recognised Exchange) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Reporting on Payment Practices and Performance (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024

Draft Securitisation (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2024

Draft Persistent Organic Pollutants (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Radio Equipment (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2024

Draft Consumer Composite Investments (Designated Activities) Regulations 2024

Draft Windsor Framework (Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals) Regulations 2024

Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution

Draft Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure (Security Requirements for Relevant Connectable Products) (Amendment) Regulations 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 (14 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*

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*

Windsor Framework (Retail Movement Scheme: Plant and Animal Health) (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 3rd Report. Praying time ends 3 November*

Illegal Migration Act 2023 (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 2nd Report. Praying time ends 26 October*

Draft Pensions Regulator's Defined Benefit Funding Code of Practice 2024 *2nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 1 November*

Human Medicines (Amendments relating to the Windsor Framework) Regulations 2024 *2nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 1 November*

M6 Motorway (Junctions 21a to 26) (Variable Speed Limits) Regulations 2024 *2nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 2 November*

Medicines (Gonadotrophin-Releasing Hormone Analogues) (Emergency Prohibition) (Extension) Order 2024 *2nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 3 November*

Draft Code of Audit Practice *3rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 10 November*

Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules *3rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 11 November*

Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *3rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 November*

Accounts and Audit (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *3rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 10 November*

Police Pensions (Employer Contributions) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *3rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 11 November*

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Immigration (Passenger Transit Visa) (Amendment) Order 2024 *3rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 11 November*

Central Counterparties (Transitional Provision) (Extension and Amendment) Regulations 2024 *3rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 11 November*

Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *3rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 11 November*

Social Security (Infected Blood Capital Disregard) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *3rd Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 15 November*

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

Electricity Capacity Mechanism (Amendment) Regulations 2024 *Sifting period expires 23 October*

Treaties before the House

Treaties not yet considered by a Select Committee

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*

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

Treaties 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 *Noted by the International Agreements Committee on 3 September. Scrutiny period expires: 14 October*

Framework Agreement between the United Kingdom and Ukraine on Official Credit Support for the Development of Ukraine's Defence Capabilities *1st Report of the International Agreements Committee. Scrutiny period expires: 29 October*

Retirements

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

Baroness Quin (19 December)

Baroness Smith of Gilmorehill (28 February 2025)

Lord Maxton (5 May 2025)

COMMITTEES

Committees

Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below.

Monday 14 October

Preterm Birth Committee	Room 3	3.00pm
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Tuesday 15 October

Science and Technology Committee	Room 4	10.00am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee	Room 1	10.30am
Built Environment Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 2A	10.30am
Holocaust Memorial Bill Select Committee	Room 3A	1.30pm
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 4	2.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee	Room 2A	3.00pm
European Affairs Committee	Room 3	4.00pm
International Agreements Committee	Room 1	4.00pm

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Financial Services Regulation Committee	Room 4	10.00am
Environment and Climate Change Committee	Room 4A	10.00am
Constitution Committee	Room 1	10.00am
International Relations and Defence Committee	Room 2A	10.30am
Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee	Room 3	10.45am
Public Services Committee	Room 3A	11.00am
Conduct Committee	Room 2A	4.00pm

Monday 28 October

Liaison Committee	Room G-32, Millbank House	4.00pm
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Wednesday 30 October

House of Lords Commission	The Lord Speaker's Room	10.00am
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Thursday 31 October

Services Committee	Room 3A	12.30pm
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Tuesday 5 November

Finance Committee	Room 3A	10.00am
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Monday 9 December

Restoration and Renewal Client Board	The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House	4.30pm
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Minutes of Proceedings of Thursday 10 October 2024

The House met at 11.00am.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Oxford.

1 **Baroness Smith of Cluny** The Hon. Catherine Anne Smith, KC, having been created Baroness Smith of Cluny, of Cluny in the City of Edinburgh, for life by Letters Patent dated 9 October, was introduced between Baroness Smith of Gilmorehill and Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws, made and subscribed the solemn affirmation and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

2 **Oath** David Geoffrey Nigel Lord Filkin took and subscribed the oath and signed an undertaking to abide by the Code of Conduct.

Public Business

3 **Combat air capability** A question was asked by Baroness Goldie and answered by Lord Coaker.

4 **Somaliland** A question was asked by Baroness Hoey and answered by Baroness Chapman of Darlington.

5 **School fees: VAT** A question was asked by Lord Black of Brentwood and answered by Lord Livermore.

6 **London Underground** A question was asked by Lord Moylan and answered by Baroness Blake of Leeds.

7 **Holocaust Memorial Bill** The Senior Deputy Speaker (Lord Gardiner of Kimble) moved that a Select Committee be appointed to consider the Holocaust Memorial Bill and that, as proposed by the Committee of Selection, the following members be appointed to the Committee:

Etherton, L. (<i>Chair</i>)	Jamieson, L.
Faulkner of Worcester, L.	Scott of Needham Market, B.
Hope of Craighead, L.	

That the Committee have power to adjourn from place to place;

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

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

That the order of appointment of the Committee remain in force notwithstanding any prorogation of Parliament.

The motion was agreed to.

8 **Northern Ireland city deals** Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent answered questions on the answer to an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Wednesday 9 October.

9 **Freedom of speech in universities** Baroness Smith of Malvern repeated the answer to an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons.

10 **Film industry** Baroness Twycross repeated a statement made in the House of Commons on Wednesday 9 October.

11 **Social care strategy** (2½-hour debate) Baroness Tyler of Enfield moved that this House takes note of the state of social care in England, and the case for a comprehensive social care strategy and further support for unpaid carers. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

12 **Flood prevention: farmers** A question was asked by the Lord Bishop of St Albans and, after debate, answered by Baroness Hayman of Ullock.

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13 **Relations with Europe** (2½-hour debate) Baroness Smith of Newnham moved that this House takes note of the relations between the United Kingdom and Europe, particularly on issues of culture, diplomacy and security. After debate, the motion was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 6.28pm until Monday 14 October 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.

Command Paper

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

- 1 Finance—Office for Budget Responsibility: Welfare trends report. (1161)

Affirmative Instruments

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

- 1 Draft Consumer Composite Investments (Designated Activities) Regulations 2024
- 2 Draft Windsor Framework (Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals) Regulations 2024

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the House:

- 1 Parole Board (Amendment) Rules 2024 (1011)
- 2 Seafarers' Wages Regulations 2024 (1015)
- 3 Architects (Fees, Electronic Communications and Miscellaneous Amendments) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (1017)

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 Consultation Draft of proposed amendments to Annex A of the Joint Fisheries Statement
- 2 Office for Budget Responsibility: Forecast evaluation report
- 3 Report and Accounts of Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 4 Report and Accounts of King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 5 Report and Accounts of Lancashire and South Cumbria NHS Foundation Trust 2023–24
- 6 Report and Accounts of NHS England 2023–24
- 7 Report of the Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee 2023–24
- 8 Report of the Forensic Information Databases Strategy Board 2023–24
- 9 Sixteenth Report of the Independent Reviewer of the Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Act 2007

