

Tuesday 29 April 2025 at 2.30pm*Oral questions (40 minutes)*

***Lord Holmes of Richmond** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to introduce cross-sector legislation on artificial intelligence in 2025.

***Lord Jones of Penybont** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to develop nuclear power generation in Wales.

***Baroness Curran** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact in Scotland of increased defence spending.

***Lord Leigh of Hurley** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the loss of tax revenue from wealthy individuals leaving the country following recent tax changes.

†**Bus Services (No. 2) Bill [HL]** Third Reading [Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill] *Welsh Legislative Consent sought, 13th and 19th Reports from the Delegated Powers Committee*

Employment Rights Bill Committee [Baroness Jones of Whitchurch] *Northern Ireland Legislative Consent granted, Welsh and Scottish Legislative Consent sought. 7th Report from the Constitution Committee, 20th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

Future Business**Wednesday 30 April 2025 at 3.00pm***Oral questions (40 minutes)*

***Lord Austin of Dudley** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to help young adults who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

***Lord Beamish** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the National Shipbuilding Strategy.

***Lord Lexden** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in implementing the LGBT Veterans Financial Recognition Scheme announced on 12 December 2024.

†***Baroness Berger** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Internet Watch Foundation's *Annual Data and Insights Report 2024*, published on 23 April, particularly with regard to child sexual abuse material generated by artificial intelligence.

Great British Energy Bill Consideration of Commons Reason [Lord Hunt of Kings Heath] *Welsh, Scottish and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent granted, 4th Report from the Constitution Committee*

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



Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (Transfer of Functions etc) Bill [HL]
Consideration of Commons Amendments [Baroness Smith of Malvern]

Armed Forces Commissioner Bill Report [Lord Coaker] *17th Report from the Delegated Powers Committee*

Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] Report [Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede] (*Law Commission Bill*)
Northern Ireland Legislative Consent granted

Agriculture (Delinked Payments) (Reductions) (England) Regulations 2025 Baroness Hayman of Ullock to move that the draft Regulations laid before the House on 13 February be approved. *18th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Baroness Grender to move, as an amendment to the above motion, to leave out from “that” and insert “this House declines to approve the draft Regulations as they accelerate the reduction of delinked payments made to British farmers; regrets the failure to establish alternative funding schemes; and calls on the Government to reinstate applications to the Sustainable Farming Incentive scheme.”

Lord Roborough to move, as an amendment to the motion in the name of Baroness Hayman of Ullock, at end to insert “but that this House regrets that they reduce the delinked payments to farmers at a faster rate than previously expected, undermining the viability of farm businesses and harming rural communities.” [1]

Thursday 1 May 2025 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Evans of Rainow** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to advance the development of dementia and Alzheimer’s treatments.

***Baroness Rock** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the impact of changes to inheritance tax rules on rural businesses and economic growth.

***Lord Booth** to ask His Majesty’s Government, following the announced abolition of NHS England, whether they propose to abolish any other arm’s-length bodies and if so which ones.

Topical oral question. Ballot to be drawn at 1pm on Tuesday 29 April.

Children’s Wellbeing and Schools Bill Second Reading [Baroness Smith of Malvern] *Welsh Legislative Consent sought, 21st Report of the Delegated Powers Committee*

If the bill is read a second time, Baroness Smith of Malvern to move that the bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House, and that it be an instruction to the Committee of the Whole House that they consider the bill in the following order:

Clauses 1 to 21	Schedule 3
Schedule 1	Clauses 52 to 60
Clauses 22 to 35	Schedule 4
Schedule 2	Clauses 61 to 67
Clauses 36 to 51	Title.

Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1.00pm

Lord Arbuthnot of Edrom to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to ensure all NHS staff have sufficient access to single-sex spaces. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

Baroness Hoey to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they will consider using frozen Libyan assets to provide compensation to victims of IRA terrorism. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

Lord Mackinlay of Richborough to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that amputees receive appropriate prosthetics at an appropriate time. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

Lord Sharkey to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve access to banking and finance for small businesses. *Balloted Question for Short Debate (1 hour)*

Tuesday 6 May 2025 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Paddick** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that the police act proportionately in stop and search.

***Baroness Brown of Silvertown** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to tackle knife crime.

***Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to use artificial intelligence to improve public services.

Wednesday 7 May 2025 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Jackson of Peterborough** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support teachers and schools to reduce pupil absenteeism.

***Baroness Smith of Llanfaes** to ask His Majesty's Government what meetings the Prime Minister has had with the First Minister of Wales in the past month, and what matters were discussed in those meetings.

***Lord Garnier** to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to reform the Criminal Cases Review Commission.

Thursday 8 May 2025 at 11.00am

The House is expected to adjourn after prayers to commemorate VE Day before resuming.

Oral questions at 12 noon (40 minutes)

***Earl Russell** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the increased risk of wildfires caused by climate change; and when they will publish a Wildfire Strategy and Action Plan.

***Lord Davies of Brixton** to ask His Majesty's Government how they intend to respond to the results of the survey undertaken by the Care Quality Commission, showing that people are waiting too long for mental health care.

***The Earl of Clancarty** to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to negotiate a visa waiver agreement for creative professionals touring the EU; and whether this will be on the agenda at the EU-UK summit on 19 May.

Monday 12 May 2025 at 2.30pm

Amanda Spielman will be introduced as a Baroness, and

The Rt Hon. Sir Alister Jack KBE will be introduced as a Baron.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Touhig** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in implementing the recommendations of the Buckland Review of Autism Employment, published on 28 February 2024.

***Lord Lamont of Lerwick** to ask His Majesty's Government what further action they plan to take to protect and increase trade between the United Kingdom and the United States.

***The Lord Bishop of Sheffield** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of the conditions at Doncaster Royal Infirmary on patient care.

***Baroness Laing of Elderslie** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure mobile phones are kept out of schools.

Tuesday 13 May 2025 at 2.30pm

The Rt Hon. Mark Harper, and

Stephen Massey will be introduced as Barons.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Woodley** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve the morale, recruitment and retention of police, prison and probation officers.

***Baroness Levitt** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to deal with uncollected financial penalties such as fines, costs and confiscation orders.

***Viscount Stansgate** to ask His Majesty's Government what action they are taking to encourage scientists from around the world to do their research and associated work in the United Kingdom.

Wednesday 14 May 2025 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Vaux of Harrowden** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they intend to take to ensure that technology and telecommunication firms contribute to the cost of fraud prevention and the reimbursement of victims of fraud that arises on their platforms.

***Baroness McIntosh of Pickering** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the insurance sector about the cost of illegally operated e-scooters.

***Lord Blunkett** to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the BBC about its decision to deny access to BBC Sounds for people travelling or living abroad; and what the outcome of any such discussions was.

Thursday 15 May 2025 at 11.00am

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***The Lord Bishop of Lichfield** to ask His Majesty's Government what support they are providing for ex-offenders to support their transition from life in prison and their reintegration into society.

***Lord Black of Brentwood** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the potential value of the global market for creative content from the United Kingdom for use in training artificial intelligence models.

***Lord Pitkeathley of Camden Town** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the potential impact of their proposed planning reforms on productivity in the United Kingdom, specifically in relation to the impact of the reforms on the cost of energy and housing.

Monday 19 May 2025 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Teverson** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to enable the expansion and electrification of public transport networks to meet their net-zero emissions target.

***Lord Spellar** to ask His Majesty’s Government when they expect to make an announcement on the award of contracts for small modular nuclear reactors.

***Lord Clement-Jones** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to strengthen science and innovation following reports that the Alan Turing Institute is cutting research projects.

***Baroness Hayter of Kentish Town** to ask His Majesty’s Government, following the decision of the Supreme Court in *For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers* [2025] UKSC 16 on 16 April, what discussions they have had with Sports England on the meaning of “sex” in the Equality Act 2010.

Tuesday 20 May 2025 at 2.30pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Addington** to ask His Majesty’s Government whether they have a plan to support the use of assistive technology throughout an individual’s education and adult life.

***Baroness Alexander of Clevedon** to ask His Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to reverse recent declines in healthy life expectancy, and to address poverty-related inequalities in life expectancy.

***Baroness Anelay of St Johns** to ask His Majesty’s Government what progress they have made in establishing a Contact Group for Sudan ceasefire talks.

Wednesday 21 May 2025 at 3.00pm

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Blower** to ask His Majesty’s Government what plans they have to improve young people’s media literacy by providing additional resources to schools, in terms of IT equipment, staffing, training and appropriate curriculum materials.

***Baroness Carberry of Muswell Hill** to ask His Majesty’s Government what progress they have made on plans to expedite and streamline armed forces recruitment processes.

***Baroness Berger** to ask His Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the challenges facing young people from online harms, as raised in the Netflix drama series *Adolescence*.

Thursday 22 May 2025 at 11.00am

The Rt Hon. Michael Gove will be introduced as a Baron.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Lord Elliott of Ballinamallard** to ask His Majesty's Government, following the declassification of files which stated that the Government "turned a blind eye" to serious crimes of the IRA in 2001, whether they will refer any murder cases to the Independent Commission for Reconciliation and Information Recovery.

***The Lord Bishop of St Albans** to ask His Majesty's Government what recent steps they have taken towards securing the release of Jimmy Lai.

***Baroness Pitkeathley** to ask His Majesty's Government what progress has been made in cross-party talks on the reform of social care.

Select Committee Reports

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

Lord Patel to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Preterm Birth Committee *Preterm birth: reducing risks and improving lives* (HL Paper 30). *14 November 2024*

Lord Gascoigne to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Built Environment Committee *High Streets: Life Beyond Retail?* (HL Paper 42). *28 November 2024*

Baroness Sheehan to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Environment and Climate Change Committee *Methane: keep up the momentum* (HL Paper 45). *10 December 2024*

Baroness Stowell of Beeston to move that this House takes note of the Report from the Communications and Digital Committee *AI and creative technology scaleups: less talk, more action* (2nd Report, HL Paper 71). *3 February*

Motions Relating to Delegated Legislation

Lord Frost to move that this House regrets the Official Controls (Plant Health) and Phytosanitary Conditions (Amendment) Regulations 2025, laid before the House on 8 January (SI 2025/13), because they provide for further constitutional separation between Northern Ireland and the rest of the United Kingdom. *15th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Lord Fox to move that this House regrets that His Majesty's Government did not follow established processes when laying the National Procurement Policy Statement and accompanying documents before Parliament for scrutiny and has not provided adequate information on the consultation and the responses received; and calls on the Government to ensure that there is greater transparency for any future national procurement policy statements. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 19th Report*

Lord Moylan to move that this House regrets that the draft Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2025 do not extend, and in some circumstances restrict, competence to drive alternatively fuelled vehicles which are not zero-emission vehicles.

Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle to move that this House regrets that the draft Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Regulations 2025 fail to provide consumers, farmers and landowners with sufficient information on genetically modified precision bred organisms, and fail to allow devolved authorities to implement their policy choices in areas where responsibility has been devolved to them. *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 20th Report*

Questions for Short Debate

These Questions for Short Debate were drawn in the ballot on Wednesday 23 April as the reserve list, which may be used as lunch, dinner break, or last business.

Lord Cryer to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to eliminate antisemitism on university campuses.

Baroness Bull to ask His Majesty's Government what provision is in place in schools for identifying and supporting students who have special educational needs, particularly dyscalculia.

Lord Goldsmith of Richmond Park to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to secure cavity-nesting habitats in new buildings.

Lord Shinkwin to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to support people with disabilities into work.

Lord Sahota to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to regulate the private car parking sector.

Baroness Deech to ask His Majesty's Government, in the light of the Law Commission's *Financial remedies on divorce and dissolution: a scoping report*, published 18 December 2024, what consideration they are giving to the reform of the law relating to financial provision on divorce.

Lord Mendoza to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to control, and prevent deaths caused by, the use of fentanyl.

The Earl of Clancarty to ask His Majesty's Government what support they intend to give to the British Council; and what steps they are taking to ensure that the British Council's art collection is not sold off.

Baroness Jenkin of Kennington to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made with the implementation of the recommendations of the Cass Review.

Baroness Nicholson of Winterbourne to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the case for a national statutory inquiry into grooming gangs.

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the adequacy of the respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccination programme in ensuring that all infants are able to receive an equitable offer of protection from RSV.

Lord Mott to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to ensure that GPs proactively discuss prostate cancer with men at the highest risk; and inform them of their right to a free prostate-specific antigen test.

Baroness Monckton of Dallington Forest to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to improve provision for children with special educational needs or disabilities in schools.

Baroness Levitt to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the retention and recruitment of the judiciary in the light of the Judicial Attitude Survey published on 24 February.

Questions for Written Answer

Tabled on 28 April and due for answer by 13 May.

Lord Agnew of Oulton to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent on 7 April (HL6018), and to the Written Answer by the Parliamentary Secretary at the Cabinet Office on 21 October 2019 (HC463), why it was possible, in the case of the latter, to provide a full list of Permanent Secretary-level appointments, but not in the case of the former; and whether they will now provide a corresponding list of current Permanent Secretary-level appointments, including whether each appointment is fixed-term and its expiry date. HL6915

Lord Agnew of Oulton to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent on 15 April (HL6395), whether the Cabinet Office holds a central record of the names of the secretaries assigned to support each Cabinet committee listed in the *List of Cabinet Committees*, published on 21 October 2024; and, if so, whether they will place a copy of that record in the Library of the House. HL6916

Lord Agnew of Oulton to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent on 7 April (HL6019), whether the Cabinet Office holds unpublished internal guidance on the performance management process for Permanent Secretaries; and, if so, whether they will place a copy of that guidance in the Library of the House. HL6917

Lord Agnew of Oulton to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent on 17 February (HL4611), which central government organisations have submitted business cases for pay flexibility under the Civil Service Pay Remit Guidance 2024–25, and which of those cases have been approved. HL6918

Lord Agnew of Oulton to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent on 18 February (HL4612), how many non-statutory public inquiries have been established since 2005; what were the names of each inquiry; what were the projected costs of each inquiry at the time of its establishment; and, for those that have concluded, what was the final cost of each inquiry upon its conclusion. HL6919

Lord Agnew of Oulton to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent on 6 March (HL5057), whether they will place in the Library of the House a copy of the comprehensive fraud risk assessments undertaken for the Infected Blood Compensation Scheme. HL6920

Baroness Alexander of Clevedon to ask His Majesty's Government what progress they have made in helping to achieve a peaceful resolution to the conflict in Sudan. HL6921

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Chapman of Darlington on 29 January (HL4271), what steps they have taken to ensure that humanitarian aid is received by the Rohingya in Bangladesh; when they will publish the outcomes of this funding; and whether they will make regular updates on funded projects publicly available. HL6922

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what is their policy on whether to extend the mandate of the UN Mission in South Sudan. HL6923

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government, following the answer by Lord Collins of Highbury on 25 February (HL Deb col 1578), what actions have they taken to hold those responsible for crimes against humanity to account, in relation to the execution of Christians by Islamic State in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. HL6924

Lord Alton of Liverpool to ask His Majesty's Government what estimates they made of the cost of legal assistance and representation for bereaved survivors in relation to their proposals for a 'Hillsborough Law', and on what data they based any such estimate on. HL6925

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government how much money is raised annually from the victim surcharge. HL6926

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government how much of the total annual victim surcharge is raised from traffic offences. HL6927

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government how much the annual revenue raised from the victim surcharge is given to organisations that support road crash victims and their families. HL6928

Lord Berkeley to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to introduce roadside cameras, following trials carried out between October 2022 and February 2023. HL6929

Lord Berkeley to ask the Senior Deputy Speaker what was the cost of supply and repair of the front door system to Peers' Entrance, and what action he is taking to ensure that the system operates efficiently and reliably at all times. HL6930

Lord Blencathra to ask His Majesty's Government, following the decision of the Supreme Court in *For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers* [2025] UKSC 16 on 16 April, whether they will review Census 2021 data and publish data based on male and female biological sex. HL6931

Lord Blencathra to ask His Majesty's Government, following the decision of the Supreme Court in *For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers* [2025] UKSC 16 on 16 April, what guidance they will issue to (1) the Office for National Statistics, (2) the Office for Statistics Regulations, and (3) the Government Statistical Service, to ensure that they reflect the decision of the Supreme Court. HL6932

Lord Blencathra to ask His Majesty's Government, following the decision of the Supreme Court in *For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers* [2025] UKSC 16 on 16 April, whether they plan to issue guidance to public bodies to ensure that application forms for appointments to public bodies ask for biological sex rather than gender. HL6933

Lord Blencathra to ask His Majesty's Government, following the decision of the Supreme Court in *For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers* [2025] UKSC 16 on 16 April, what plans they have to include the biological sex of civil servants in reports about those employed by the Cabinet Office and its agencies and public bodies. HL6934

Lord Blencathra to ask His Majesty's Government, following the decision of the Supreme Court in *For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers* [2025] UKSC 16 on 16 April, what guidance they will issue about the use of pronouns in email signatures. HL6935

Lord Blencathra to ask His Majesty's Government, following the decision of the Supreme Court in *For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers* [2025] UKSC 16 on 16 April, what plans they have to review training and awareness courses about biological sex across departments. HL6936

Lord Carlile of Berriew to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to reduce the projected cost of clinical negligence claims over the course of the Parliament. HL6937

Lord Carlile of Berriew to ask His Majesty's Government what discussions they have had with the Care Quality Commission about the estimated timeframe for the elimination of the backlog for registering new healthcare providers. HL6938

Lord Carlile of Berriew to ask His Majesty's Government what recent discussions they have had with the Care Quality Commission (CQC) about the steps the CQC is taking to reduce the waiting time for (1) initial inspections, and (2) re-inspections, of healthcare providers. HL6939

Lord Carlile of Berriew to ask His Majesty's Government what recent discussions they have had with the Care Quality Commission about improving the consistency of the quality of reports about healthcare providers. HL6940

Lord Carlile of Berriew to ask His Majesty's Government whether they plan to reform regulatory procedures for doctors and dentists by utilising or amending powers pursuant to section 60 of the Health Act 1999. HL6941

Lord Carlile of Berriew to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the use of interim suspensions of doctors subject to fitness to practice investigations; and what plans they have to improve the interim suspension procedure for patients and doctors. HL6942

Lord Clement-Jones to ask His Majesty's Government what lessons they learned from GOV.UK Verify, and how they will apply those lessons to the development and governance of the One Login digital identification system. HL6943

Lord Clement-Jones to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they have taken to establish minimum standards for battery back-up of Digital Voice services during power outages; and what assessment they have made of whether these minimum standards are sufficient for rural areas. HL6944

Lord Clement-Jones to ask His Majesty's Government what requirements they have placed on BT to consult customers about the implementation of the Digital Voice rollout, particularly for vulnerable customers or those in rural areas. HL6945

Lord Clement-Jones to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact on private digital identification service providers of the free use of One Login by Companies House; and whether they will refer this to the Competition and Markets Authority to ensure there is no market distortion. HL6946

Lord Freyberg to ask His Majesty's Government which ministers, officials, and external experts attended the meeting held at 10 Downing Street on Wednesday 16 April regarding the establishment of UK sovereign AI capacity; and what criteria were used to select the expert participants. HL6947

Lord Godson to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the risk of legal challenges when relying on the provision in Article 21 of the Cluster Munitions Convention allowing the United Kingdom to fight alongside states that are not party to that Convention. HL6948

Lord Gold to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of Turkey's financial, military, and political ties with the proscribed terrorist organisation Hamas; and what plans they have to address concerns about a member of NATO financing Hamas. HL6949

Lord Leigh of Hurley to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent on 22 April (HL6565), how, if at all, the policy of salary transparency applies to transparency on (1) severance payments, and (2) cash equivalent transfer value pension amounts, with respect to (a) senior civil servants and (b) special advisers. HL6950

Baroness Pidgeon to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to continue the door-to-door Luggage Buddy scheme currently operated by South Western Railway after the rail service comes under public ownership in May. HL6951

Baroness Pidgeon to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to provide a catering trolley on the London Waterloo to Exeter line after South Western Railway comes under public ownership in May. HL6952

Baroness Redfern to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the link between online misinformation about health, and poor media literacy; and how they are taking this into account in public health policy. HL6953

Baroness Redfern to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the impact of mandatory animal welfare labelling on consumer purchasing decisions. HL6954

Baroness Redfern to ask His Majesty's Government what consideration they will give to flooding, drought, healthy soil, and clean water in their 25-year farming roadmap. HL6955

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the findings of the BBC Panorama programme *The Truth about Baby Food Pouches* which was aired on 28 April; and whether they will issue guidance to parents on baby food pouches and on healthy alternatives for babies. HL6956

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will bring forward legislative proposals to require imports of (1) meat, (2) dairy, and (3) eggs, to meet UK animal welfare standards. HL6957

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government whether they will convene a cross-government working group on tackling anti-Palestinian racism. HL6958

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government which department is responsible for policy on tackling (1) anti-Palestinian racism, and (2) the dehumanisation of Palestinians. HL6959

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what is the role of the Home Office on policy for tackling (1) anti-Palestinian racism, and (2) the dehumanisation of Palestinians. HL6960

Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick to ask His Majesty's Government what is the role of the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office on policy for tackling (1) anti-Palestinian racism, and (2) the dehumanisation of Palestinians. HL6961

Baroness Scott of Needham Market to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to ensure that imports of (1) meat, (2) dairy, and (3) eggs meet animal welfare standards. HL6962

Lord Shinkwin to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to appoint a veterans' commissioner for England to work alongside (1) the Veterans' Commissioners for Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, and (2) the Armed Forces Commissioner who is expected to be appointed in 2026. HL6963

Baroness Stedman-Scott to ask His Majesty's Government how many men aged 16 to 24 years old were employed in the construction sector in April. HL6964

Baroness Stedman-Scott to ask His Majesty's Government how many men aged 16 to 24 years old were employed in the manufacturing sector in April. HL6965

Baroness Stedman-Scott to ask His Majesty's Government how many men aged 16 to 24 years old were employed in the agriculture sector in April. HL6966

Lord Storey to ask His Majesty's Government what are the names of the further education providers who have been subject to a concluded financial investigation since 2017; when each of those investigations was opened; what was the nature of the concerns raised in each investigation; and when each investigation concluded. HL6967

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government, what assessment they have made of the rising number of people aged 16 to 24 currently not in education, employment or training; and what steps they are taking to increase the number of young people entering education or employment. HL6968

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what is their response to the recommendation by the Children's Commissioner for England to ban 'nudification' apps that enable users to generate sexually explicit images of real people. HL6969

Lord Taylor of Warwick to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the level of overseas demand for UK goods in April, and the consequential impact on private sector output. HL6970

Lord Verdirame to ask His Majesty's Government, further to the answer by Baroness Twycross on 13 February (HL Deb col 1358) about the UK–EU relationship, whether they expect to set out their objectives in negotiations with the EU in a Command Paper and, if so, by when. HL6971

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to work with the United Nations to strengthen protections for freedom of religion or belief, in response to restrictions placed on faith communities in authoritarian states. HL6972

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what is the total annual spend on free and subsidised milk schemes for schools. HL6973

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to fund the free and subsidised milk schemes for schools through a multi-year guaranteed budget rather than through annual renewal. HL6974

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what arrangements are in place to monitor schools to ensure that they provide free milk to pupils who receive free school meals. HL6975

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what percentage of pupils who receive free school meals receive free milk daily. HL6976

Lord Weir of Ballyholme to ask His Majesty's Government what plans they have to extend entitlement for children who are under five to receive free milk in nurseries and schools to the end of the academic year in which they turn five. HL6977

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.

11 March (25 March)

HL5662 Baroness Fox of Buckley [Department of Health and Social Care]

12 March (26 March)

HL5721 Lord Empey [Department for Business and Trade]

17 March (31 March)

HL5835 Baroness Finn [Cabinet Office]

19 March (2 April)

HL5947 Lord Agnew of Oulton [Cabinet Office]

24 March (7 April)

HL6093 Lord Young of Acton [Women and Equalities]

25 March (8 April)

HL6152 Baroness Smith of Llanfaes [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

26 March (9 April)

HL6184 Lord Lancaster of Kimbolton [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL6188 Baroness Redfern [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

27 March (10 April)

HL6236 Lord Grantchester [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

HL6246 Baroness Hoey [Department for Education]

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

HL6268 Lord Scriven [Department of Health and Social Care]

HL6278 Lord Weir of Ballyholme [Department for Education]

2 April (16 April)

HL6521 Lord Watson of Invergowrie [Department for Education]

HL6522 Lord Watson of Invergowrie [Department for Education]

HL6523 Lord Watson of Invergowrie [Department for Education]

HL6524 Lord Watson of Invergowrie [Department for Education]

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

Business and Trade (1)

Cabinet Office (2)

Education (6)

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (4)

Health and Social Care (2)

Women and Equalities (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	
Still-Birth (Definition) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Schools (Mental Health Professionals) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Hares (Close Season) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Road Traffic Offences (Cycling) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Public Service (Ethics, Integrity and Independence) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Ministry for Poverty Prevention Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Regulation of Cycling Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Artificial Intelligence (Regulation) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	1 May
Malvern Hills Bill [HL]	Private	
Committed to an Unopposed Bill Committee		
General Cemetery Bill [HL]	Private	
Committed to a Committee of the Whole House		
Lithium-ion Battery Safety Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Refugees (Family Reunion) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Environmental Targets (Public Authorities) Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Private Member's	
Imprisonment for Public Protection (Re-sentencing) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Home School Education Registration and Support Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Complications from Abortions (Annual Report) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Asylum Support (Prescribed Period) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Regulated and Other Activities (Mandatory Reporting of Child Sexual Abuse) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Consumer Products (Control of Biocides) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Renters' Rights Bill (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>) (<i>Scottish Legislative Consent granted, Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Crown Estate (Wales) Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Private Member's	
Education (Assemblies) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Permitted Development Rights (Extension) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
House of Lords (Peerage Nominations) Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Private Member's	
Palestine Statehood (Recognition) Bill [HL] (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Private Member's	
Employment Rights Bill (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>) (<i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent granted, Welsh and Scottish Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	29 April
Tobacco and Vapes Bill (<i>Welsh, Scottish and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	

Waiting for Report

Property (Digital Assets etc) Bill [HL] (<i>Law Commission Bill</i>) (<i>Northern Ireland Legislative Consent granted</i>)	Government	30 April
Statutory Instruments (Amendment) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Armed Forces Commissioner Bill	Government	30 April
Holocaust Memorial Bill	Government	
House of Lords (Hereditary Peers) Bill (<i>King's consent to be signified</i>)	Government	

Waiting for Third Reading

Mortgage Prisoners Inquiry Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Bus Services (No. 2) Bill [HL] (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	29 April
Norwich Livestock Market Bill [HL]	Private	

Sent to the Commons

Support for Infants and Parents etc (Information) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Education (Values of British Citizenship) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Women, Peace and Security Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Listed Investment Companies (Classification etc) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Data (Use and Access) Bill [HL] (<i>Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought, Scottish Legislative Consent granted</i>)	Government	
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	
Product Regulation and Metrology Bill [HL] (<i>Scottish, Welsh and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Universal Credit (Standard Allowance Entitlement of Care Leavers) Bill [HL]	Private Member's	
Football Governance Bill [HL]	Government	
Mental Health Bill [HL] (<i>Welsh Legislative Consent sought</i>)	Government	
Royal Albert Hall Bill [HL]	Private	

Waiting for Consideration of Commons Reasons and Amendments

Great British Energy Bill (<i>Welsh, Scottish and Northern Ireland Legislative Consent granted</i>)	Government	30 April
Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (Transfer of Functions etc) Bill [HL]	Government	30 April
Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [HL]	Government	

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

Draft National Security Act 2023 (Foreign Activities and Foreign Influence Registration Scheme: Exemptions for Certain Foreign Power Investment Funds, Education, Government Administration and Public Bodies) Regulations 2025

Draft National Security Act 2023 (Foreign Activities and Foreign Influence Registration Scheme: Publication) Regulations 2025

Draft National Security Act 2023 (Foreign Activities and Foreign Influence Registration Scheme: Specified Persons) (Iran) Regulations 2025

Draft National Security Act 2023 (Foreign Activities and Foreign Influence Registration Scheme: Specified Persons) (Russia) Regulations 2025

Draft Contracts for Difference (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 2) Regulations 2025

Draft Investigatory Powers (Communications Data) (Relevant Public Authorities and Designated Senior Officers) Regulations 2025

Draft Medical Devices and Blood Safety and Quality (Fees Amendment) Regulations 2025

Draft Pollution Prevention and Control (Fees) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2025

Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2025

Draft Licensing Act 2003 (Victory in Europe Day Licensing Hours) Order 2025

Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2025

Draft Payment Services and Payment Accounts (Contract Termination) (Amendment) Regulations 2025

Affirmative Instruments waiting for Affirmative Resolution

Draft Agriculture (Delinked Payments) (Reductions) (England) Regulations 2025 *18th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (30 April)*

Draft Cornwall Council (Adult Education Functions) Regulations 2025 *19th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft East Midlands Combined County Authority (Adult Education Functions) Regulations 2025 *19th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority (Adult Education Functions) Order 2025 *19th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Regulations 2025 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 20th Report*

Draft Medical Devices (Amendment) (Great Britain) Regulations 2025

Draft Infrastructure Planning (Onshore Wind and Solar Generation) Order 2025 *20th Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Fair Dealing Obligations (Pigs) Regulations 2025 *21st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 (Legal Aid: Domestic Abuse) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2025

Draft Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2025 *21st Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Draft Pension Fund Clearing Obligation Exemption (Amendment) Regulations 2025

Draft Whiplash Injury (Amendment) Regulations 2025 *22nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee*

Forensic Science Regulator Draft Code of Practice 2025 (Version 2)

Draft Health and Social Care Information Standards (Procedure) Regulations 2025

Draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Offensive Weapons) (Amendment, Surrender and Compensation) (England and Wales) Order 2025

Draft Investigatory Powers (Codes of Practice, Review of Notices and Technical Advisory Board) Regulations 2025

Negative Instruments

Official Controls (Plant Health) and Phytosanitary Conditions (Amendment) Regulations 2025 *15th Report from Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ended 26 February*

Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules (HC 733) *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 21st Report. Praying time ends 29 April*

Court and Tribunal Fees (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2025 *22nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 May*

Social Security Benefits Up-rating Regulations 2025 *22nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 May*

Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2025 *22nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 4 May*

Immigration, Nationality and Passport (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 *22nd Report from the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee. Praying time ends 6 May*

Online Safety (CSEA Content Reporting by Regulated User-to-User Service Providers) Regulations 2025 *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 22nd Report. Praying time ends 7 May*

National Policy Statement

Proposed National Policy Statement for Nuclear Energy Generation *Scrutiny period expires: 23 June*

National Procurement Policy Statement *Special attention drawn to the instrument by the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee, 19th Report. Scrutiny period expired: 3 April*

Treaties before the House

Treaties not yet considered by the International Agreements Committee

International Labour Convention No. 191: Concerning Amendments to Standards Consequential to the Recognition of a Safe and Healthy Working Environment as a Fundamental Principle (with Recommendation 207) *Scrutiny period expires: 4 June*

Agreement between the United Kingdom and the French Republic on Safety and Interoperability Requirements in the Channel Fixed Link *Scrutiny period expires: 10 June*

Treaties considered by the International Agreements Committee

One Hundred Year Partnership Agreement between the United Kingdom and Ukraine *Special attention drawn by the International Agreements Committee, 8th Report. Scrutiny period expires: 1 May*

Retirement

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

Lord Maxton (5 May)

Committees

Only the next meeting of each Committee is listed below.

Tuesday 29 April

Industry and Regulators Committee	Room 3	10.30am
Justice and Home Affairs Committee	Room 2	10.30am
Built Environment Committee	Room 4	10.30am
Communications and Digital Committee	Room 2	2.00pm
Economic Affairs Committee	Room 4	3.00pm
Services Committee	Room 2A	3.30pm
Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee	Room 3	3.45pm
Parliamentary Works Estimates Commission	Chairman of Ways and Means Study	4.00pm

Wednesday 30 April

Financial Services Regulation Committee	Room 3	10.00am
Constitution Committee	Room 4	10.15am
Northern Ireland Scrutiny Committee	Room 2	10.30am
Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee	Room 3A	10.30am
Human Rights (Joint Committee)	Room 5	2.00pm
International Relations and Defence Committee	Room 4	2.00pm
Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)	Virtual meeting	3.40pm
Science and Technology Committee	Room 3	4.00pm

Thursday 1 May

Autism Act 2009 Committee	Virtual meeting	10.00am
Social Mobility Policy Committee	Room 3	10.05am

Tuesday 6 May

International Agreements Committee		2.15pm
European Affairs Committee		3.30pm

Wednesday 7 May

House of Lords Commission	Room 1	10.00am
Environment and Climate Change Committee		10.00am
Public Services Committee		11.00am
Conduct Committee	2-03 Millbank House	4.00pm

Thursday 8 May

Home-based Working Committee		10.00am
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Friday 9 May

UK Engagement with Space Committee	Harwell Space Cluster, Harwell OX11 0RL, United Kingdom	9.30am
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Tuesday 13 May

Procedure and Privileges Committee	Room 1	12.00pm
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Monday 30 June

Restoration and Renewal Client Board		4.30pm
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Thursday 11 September

Liaison Committee		11.00am
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Minutes of Proceedings of Monday 28 April 2025

The House met at 2.30pm.

Prayers were read by the Lord Bishop of Derby.

Select Committee Report

1 House of Lords Commission

The following Report from the Select Committee was made and ordered to be printed on Friday 25 April:

Supplementary Daily Allowance for non-salaried domestic committee chairs. (1st Report, HL Paper 113)

Public Business

2 **Self-harm: young people** A question was asked by Lord Lemos and answered by Baroness Merron.

3 **Tackling violence against women and girls: funding** A question was asked by Baroness Gohir and answered by Lord Hanson of Flint.

4 **Farming: 25-year roadmap** A question was asked by Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick and answered by Baroness Hayman of Ullock.

5 **Thames Water: bids** A question was asked by Lord Sikka and answered by Baroness Hayman of Ullock.

6 **London Sudan conference** Baroness Chapman of Darlington answered questions on the answer given to an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Thursday 24 April.

7 **Ukraine war: London talks** Baroness Chapman of Darlington answered questions on the answer given to an Urgent Question asked in the House of Commons on Thursday 24 April.

8 **Renters' Rights Bill** The bill was further considered in Committee, beginning with amendment 69. The House resumed after clause 11 was agreed to.

The House adjourned at 10.26pm until Tuesday 29 April at 2.30pm.

Simon Burton
Clerk of the Parliaments

Grand Committee Business

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

Governance of the Union (Constitution Report) Baroness Drake moved that the Grand Committee takes note of the Report from the Constitution Committee *The Governance of the Union: Consultation, Co-operation and Legislative Consent* (1st Report, HL Paper 13). After debate, the motion was agreed to.

Engineering Biology (Science and Technology Report) Baroness Brown of Cambridge moved that the Grand Committee takes note of the Report from the Science and Technology Committee *Don't fail to scale: seizing the opportunity of engineering biology* (1st Report, HL Paper 55). After debate, the motion was agreed to.

The Committee adjourned at 7.34pm.

Papers

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

Affirmative Instrument

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

- 1 Draft Payment Services and Payment Accounts (Contract Termination) (Amendment) Regulations 2025

Papers not subject to Parliamentary Proceedings

The following papers were laid before the House:

- 1 King's Regulations for the Royal Air Force (Seventh Edition) (Amendment List 4)
- 2 Report of the Domestic Abuse Commissioner: Victims in their own right? Babies, children and young people's experiences of domestic abuse

