

BUSINESS TODAY: CHAMBER

11.30am Prayers

Followed by

QUESTIONS

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Justice

- 1 Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth)
What assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Parole Board reconsideration mechanism. (900794)
- 2 Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth)
What assessment he has made of the potential impact of the time taken to schedule court hearings for historical cases of child sexual exploitation on survivors and their families. (900795)
- 3 Julie Marson** (Hertford and Stortford)
What steps his Department is taking to support victims of crime. (900796)
- 4 Dr James Davies** (Vale of Clwyd)
What steps his Department is taking to support victims of crime. (900797)
- 5 Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith)
What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the prison estate for the rehabilitation of prisoners. (900798)
- 6 Jack Brereton** (Stoke-on-Trent South)
What steps he is taking to increase early access to legal advice. (900799)
- 7 Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East)
What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of human rights legislation. (900801)
- 8 Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington)
What steps his Department is taking to support victims of crime. (900802)
- 9 Steven Bonnar** (Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill)
What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of human rights legislation. (900803)
- 10 Sir Desmond Swayne** (New Forest West)
If he will make a comparative assessment of the effectiveness of short custodial sentences and sentences served in the community. (900804)
- 11 John Stevenson** (Carlisle)
What steps he is taking to improve the effectiveness of the Probate Registry. (900805)
- 12 Eddie Hughes** (Walsall North)
What steps he is taking to reduce the backlog of cases in the Crown Court. (900806)

- 13 Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon)
What steps he is taking to reduce reoffending. (900807)
- 14 Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd)
What steps his Department is taking to help ensure the safety of victims after violent offenders are released. (900808)
- 15 Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood)
What assessment he has made of the sustainability of probation officer caseloads. (900809)
- 16 Kate Osamor** (Edmonton)
Whether he is taking steps to help improve the safeguarding of prisoners with mental health needs. (900810)
- 17 Hannah Bardell** (Livingston)
What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of human rights legislation. (900813)
- 18 Giles Watling** (Clacton)
What steps he is taking to reduce the backlog of cases in the Crown Court. (900814)
- 19 Martin Docherty-Hughes** (West Dunbartonshire)
What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of human rights legislation. (900817)

At 12.15pm

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Justice

- T1 Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East)
If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (900819)
- T2 Alun Cairns** (Vale of Glamorgan) (900820)
- T3 Dr James Davies** (Vale of Clwyd) (900821)
- T4 Kate Osamor** (Edmonton) (900822)
- T5 Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon) (900823)
- T6 Chris Law** (Dundee West) (900824)
- T7 Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth) (900825)
- T8 Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth) (900827)
- T9 Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields) (900828)

URGENT QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

12.30pm

Urgent Questions (if any)

Ministerial Statements (if any)

BUSINESS OF THE DAY

1. Schools (Mental Health Professionals): Ten Minute Rule Motion

Up to 20 minutes (Standing Order No. 23)

Munira Wilson

That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision to require every school to have access to a qualified mental health professional; and for connected purposes.

Notes:

The Member moving and a Member opposing this Motion may each speak for up to 10 minutes.

2. OPPOSITION DAY (2nd ALLOTTED DAY)

Until 7.00pm (Standing Order No. 9(3))

■ **NHS dentistry**

Sir Keir Starmer

Angela Rayner

Wes Streeting

Preet Kaur Gill

Lucy Powell

Sir Alan Campbell

That this House recognises that NHS dentistry is in crisis, with eight in 10 dentists in England not taking on new NHS patients and vast parts of the country considered so-called dental deserts, where no dentists are available; regrets that this has led to people resorting to DIY dentistry or attending A&E to access urgent care; is concerned that tooth decay is the most common reason children aged six to 10 are admitted to hospital; and therefore calls on the Government to provide an extra 700,000 urgent appointments a year, introduce an incentive scheme to recruit new dentists to the areas most in need and a targeted supervised toothbrushing scheme for three to five year-olds to promote good oral health and reform the dental contract to rebuild the service in the long-run.

Amendment(a)

Rishi Sunak

Victoria Atkins

Andrew Stephenson

Helen Whately

Andrea Leadsom

Maria Caulfield

Leave out from “House” to end and add:

“recognises the impact of a once-in-a-generation pandemic on NHS dental services, with 7 million fewer patients seen in England across 2020 and 2021; notes these challenges were reflected in both Scotland and Wales; acknowledges the steps already taken to recover services in England including the introduction of a minimum rate and increased payments for complex dental activity to better reward dentists for their work; welcomes the publication of the Long Term Workforce Plan which committed to expanding dental training places by 40 per cent; and supports the upcoming publication of the Government’s plan to further recover and reform NHS dentistry and promote good oral health throughout life.”

■ **The cost of the Government’s Rwanda plan and administration of the asylum system**

Sir Keir Starmer

Angela Rayner

Yvette Cooper

Stephen Kinnock

Lucy Powell

Sir Alan Campbell

That an Humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that he will be graciously pleased to give direction to the Home Secretary that, no later than 16 January 2024, there be laid before this House:

(a) a list of all payments, either already made or scheduled, to the Government of Rwanda under the Economic Transformation and Integration Fund, including the cost of the fourth- and fifth-year payments due to the Government of Rwanda under the fund;

(b) any document provided by his Department to HM Treasury relating to the per person cost of relocating individuals to Rwanda under the Agreement for the Provision of an Asylum Partnership Agreement to Strengthen Shared International Commitments on the Protection of Refugees and Migrants (CP 994);

(c) an unredacted copy of the confidential memorandum of understanding referred to in response to question 20 at the Public Accounts Committee meeting on 11 December 2023;

(d) any paper setting out the cost per person of relocating individuals to Rwanda and the Government’s assumptions about the number of asylum seekers to be sent to Rwanda per year shared with or provided by HM Treasury between March and July 2022; and

(e) his Department's internal breakdown of the 35,119 non-substantive asylum decisions made between 1 January and 28 December 2023 showing the number of such decisions that were classified as withdrawn asylum applications and the number further sub-classified as either:

(i) non-substantiated withdrawals

(ii) other withdrawals.

Notes:

The selection of the matters to be debated has been made by the Leader of the Opposition (Standing Order No. 14(2)).

3. Financial Services

No debate (Standing Order No. 118(6))

Bim Afolami

That the Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (High-Risk Countries) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 1306), a copy of which was laid before this House on 4 December 2023, be approved.

Notes:

If this item is opposed after 7.00pm, the division will be deferred.

4. Environmental Protection

No debate (Standing Order No. 118(6))

Steve Barclay

That the draft Biodiversity Gain Site Register (Financial Penalties and Fees) Regulations 2024, which were laid before this House on 30 November 2023, be approved.

Notes:

If this item is opposed after 7.00pm, the division will be deferred.

5. Environmental Protection

No debate (Standing Order No. 118(6))

Lee Rowley

That the draft Biodiversity Gain (Town and Country Planning) (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2024, which were laid before this House on 30 November 2023, be approved.

Notes:

If this item is opposed after 7.00pm, the division will be deferred.

6. Disclosure of Information

No debate (Standing Order No. 118(6))

Alex Burghart

That the draft Digital Government (Disclosure of Information) (Identity Verification Services) Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 19 September 2023, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.

Notes:

If this item is opposed after 7.00pm, the division will be deferred.

7. Building and Buildings

No debate (Standing Order No. 118(6))

Lee Rowley

That the draft Higher-Risk Buildings (Keeping and Provision of Information etc.) (England) Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 9 November 2023, be approved.

Notes:

If this item is opposed after 7.00pm, the division will be deferred.

PRESENTATION OF PUBLIC PETITIONS

No debate or decision (Standing Order No. 153)

Boots Pharmacy closures in Hull North: **Dame Diana Johnson**

NHS dental appointments in rural areas: **Tim Farron**

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Until 7.30pm or for half an hour (whichever is later) (Standing Order No. 9(7))

Grangemouth oil refinery and energy security: **Kenny MacAskill**

BUSINESS TODAY: WESTMINSTER HALL

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The first part of the sitting will last for two hours. The second part of the sitting will last for three hours (Standing Order No. 10(1)).

9.30am

That this House has considered the role of the UK in ending malaria and neglected tropical diseases : **Patrick Grady**

Notes:

The subject for this debate was determined by the Backbench Business Committee.

11.00am

That this House has considered the consumer market for financial advice and guidance: **Dame Harriett Baldwin**

Notes:

The sitting will be suspended from 11.30am to 2.30pm.

2.30pm

That this House has considered the matter of increases in anti-Semitic offences : **Nicola Richards**

4.00pm

That this House has considered the cost of living in Scotland: **David Linden**

4.30pm

That this House has considered the future of the Great Western Main Line : **Richard Graham**

Notes:

The debate at 4.30pm will last for up to an hour.

The sitting will be suspended and time added if divisions take place in the main Chamber (Standing Order No. 10(3)).

WRITTEN STATEMENTS

STATEMENTS TO BE MADE TODAY

Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs

1. Diplomatic Passport Policy
2. Global Refugee Forum 2023

Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

3. Social Housing Quality Update

Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero

4. Consultation on Long-Duration Electricity Storage
5. Energy Infrastructure Planning Projects

Notes:

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