

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FORTHCOMING END OF DAY ADJOURNMENT DEBATES

Applications for 30-minute end of day adjournment debates should be made to the Table Office by 7.00pm or rise of the House, whichever is the earlier, on the Wednesdays listed below. Members can submit their application via MemberHub, from their own email account or in hard copy. Application forms are available on the Table Office page on ParliNet. The ballot takes place on the day following the deadline. Members who are successful will be contacted by the Speaker's Office.

Tuesday 16 to Monday 22 January (deadline Wednesday 10 January 7.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

Tuesday 23 to Monday 29 January (deadline Wednesday 17 January 7.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

Tuesday 30 January to Monday 5 February (deadline Wednesday 24 January 7.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

Tuesday 6 to Thursday 8 February (deadline Wednesday 31 January 7.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

FORTHCOMING WESTMINSTER HALL DEBATES

The rota for answering Departments is listed below. Applications for 90, 60 and 30-minute debates should be made to the Table Office by 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is the earlier, on the Mondays listed below. Members can submit their application via MemberHub, from their own email account or in hard copy. Application forms are available on the Table Office page on ParliNet. The ballot takes place on the day following the deadline. Members who are successful will be contacted by the Speaker's Office.

Tuesday 16 and Wednesday 17 January (ballot closed)

The ballot for Tuesday 16 and Wednesday 17 January will take place today. The deadline for making an application to this ballot has now passed. Members who are successful will be contacted by the Speaker's Office.

Tuesday 23 and Wednesday 24 January (deadline Monday 15 January 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

The following Departments will answer:

Attorney General; Cabinet Office; Education; Energy Security and Net Zero; Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; Foreign, Commonwealth and Development; Home Office; Northern Ireland; Science, Innovation and Technology; Wales

Tuesday 30 and Wednesday 31 January (deadline Monday 22 January 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

The following Departments will answer:

Business and Trade; Culture, Media and Sport; Defence; Health and Social Care; Justice; Levelling Up, Housing and Communities; Scotland; Transport; Treasury; Women and Equalities; Work and Pensions

Tuesday 6 and Wednesday 7 February (deadline Monday 29 January 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

The following Departments will answer:

Attorney General; Cabinet Office; Education; Energy Security and Net Zero; Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; Foreign, Commonwealth and Development; Home Office; Northern Ireland; Science, Innovation and Technology; Wales

ELECTION OF THE CHAIR OF THE DEFENCE COMMITTEE

Nominations and ballot

Nominations must be handed in to the Table Office or Public Bill Office on days when the House is sitting and at the latest by 12 noon on Tuesday 16 January. Nomination forms are available in those offices and in the Vote Office.

Only members of the Conservative Party may be candidates in this election.

Each nomination shall consist of a signed declaration made by the candidate declaring their willingness to stand for election, accompanied by the signatures of 15 Members elected to the House as members of the same party as the candidate. Nominations may (optionally) be accompanied by signatures of up to five Members elected to the House as members of any party other than that to which the candidate belongs, or members of no party.

No Member may sign more than one candidate's nomination paper; if any Member does so, their signature will be invalidated for all nominations. Nominations may (optionally) be accompanied by a supporting statement of no more than 500 words: supporting statements are published online and in an election day booklet.

The ballot will take place between 11.00am and 2.30pm on Wednesday 17 January in the Aye division lobby.

As soon as practicable after the votes have been counted the Speaker will announce to the House the results of the ballot.

Members nominated for election as Chair of the Defence Committee

Up to and including Monday 8 January

New nominations are marked thus *

Candidate: **Rehman Chishti**

Nominated by (own party): James Morris, Jonathan Gullis, Kelly Tolhurst, Royston Smith, Ian Levy, Giles Watling, Dr Matthew Offord, Henry Smith, Tom Hunt, Mark Logan, Paul Bristow, Kwasi Kwarteng, Daniel Kawczynski, Jack Brereton, Martin Vickers

Relevant interests declared: British Army Reservist (2020–2022) as per Register of Members' Financial Interests

Candidate: **Jeremy Quin**

Nominated by (own party): Harriett Baldwin, Sir Robert Goodwill, Dr Thérèse Coffey, Mr Ben Wallace, Mr Robin Walker, Angela Richardson, Karen Bradley, Greg Clark, Philip Dunne, Simon Jupp, Nickie Aiken, Steve Brine, Iain Stewart, Tim Loughton, Mrs Heather Wheeler

Nominated by (other parties or no party): John Spellar, Valerie Vaz, Dave Doogan, Mr Kevan Jones, Sir Stephen Timms

Relevant interests declared: I served as Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence from February 2020 to September 2022. I am Honorary President of the Air Cadet Squadron in my Horsham constituency. Defence manufacturers Thales and Boeing are employers in a neighbouring constituency and Chess Dynamics, a subsidiary of defence manufacturer Cohort PLC, is based in Horsham.