

THURSDAY 25 APRIL 2024

Order Paper: Business Today

Summary Agenda: Chamber

9.30am Prayers

Afterwards | Oral Questions: Cabinet Office

10.30am Urgent Questions (if any)

Afterwards Business Question

Ministerial Statements (if any)

Select Committee Statement on:

Third Special Report of the Education Committee, Ofsted's work with schools: Government Response to the Committee's First Report, HC 689

Until 5.00pm

Backbench Business:

■ Motion: Lesbian Visibility Week

Motion: Buckland Review of Autism Employment

Until 5.30pm or for half an hour

Adjournment Debate: Tackling the use of single-use plastics (Sarah Dyke)

Westminster Hall

12.30pm Health inequalities in liver disease and liver cancer

2.00pm Ratification of the Global Ocean Treaty

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Item marked [R] indicates that a member has declared a relevant interest.

BUSINESS TODAY: CHAMBER

9.30am Prayers

Followed by

QUESTIONS

Oral Questions to the Minister for the Cabinet Office

1 Christian Wakeford (Bury South)

What recent assessment he has made of trends in the level of compliance with the Ministerial Code. (902477)

2 Dr Rupa Huq (Ealing Central and Acton)

What recent assessment he has made of trends in the level of compliance with the Ministerial Code. (902479)

3 Nick Smith (Blaenau Gwent)

What steps his Department is taking to protect public institutions and services from cyber threats. (902480)

4 Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale)

What steps his Department is taking to strengthen national security. (902482)

5 Sarah Atherton (Wrexham)

What steps he is taking to improve support for female veterans. (902486)

6 Ruth Cadbury (Brentford and Isleworth)

What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of his Department's processes for scrutinising nominations for honours. (902491)

7 Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck (South Shields)

What steps he is taking to support veterans with the cost of living. (902492)

8 John Cryer (Leyton and Wanstead)

What steps his Department is taking to protect public institutions and services from cyber threats. (902493)

9 Sir Chris Bryant (Rhondda)

What recent assessment he has made of trends in the level of compliance with the Ministerial Code. (902495)

10 Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough)

What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of his Department's processes for scrutinising nominations for honours. (902497)

11 Gerald Jones (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney)

What progress he has made on considering the recommendations of the Second Interim Report of the Infected Blood Inquiry. (902498)

12 Sarah Dyke (Somerton and Frome)

What steps he is taking to support armed forces veterans. (902500)

13 Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central)

What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of public sector procurement of digital goods and services. (902501)

At 10.15am

- Topical Questions to the Minister for the Cabinet Office
- T1 Christine Jardine (Edinburgh West)

 If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (902502)
- **T2** Kerry McCarthy (Bristol East) (902504)
- T3 Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife) (902505)
- **T4** Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North) (902506)
- **T5** Nick Smith (Blaenau Gwent) (902508)
- T6 George Galloway (Rochdale) (902511)

URGENT QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

Urgent Questions (if any)

Business Question to the Leader of the House

Ministerial Statements (if any)

Select Committee Statement on the Third Special Report of the Education Committee, Ofsted's work with schools: Government's Response to the Committee's First Report, HC 689

Mr Robin Walker

BUSINESS OF THE DAY

1. BACKBENCH BUSINESS

Until 5.00pm (Standing Order No. 9(3))

■ Lesbian Visibility Week

Kate Osborne

That this House has considered the importance of Lesbian Visibility Week; and believes LGBTQIA women and non-binary people should be recognised for the work they do and the joy they bring.

Buckland Review of Autism Employment

Sir Robert Buckland

That this House has considered the recommendations of the Buckland Review into Autism and Employment; and urges the Government, businesses and the wider economy to implement them.

Notes:

The subjects for these debates were determined by the Backbench Business Committee.

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Until 5.30pm or for half an hour (whichever is later) (Standing Order No. 9(7))

Tackling the use of single-use plastics: Sarah Dyke

BUSINESS TODAY: WESTMINSTER HALL

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The sitting will last for up to three hours (Standing Order No. 10(1)).

12.30pm

That this House has considered health inequalities in liver disease and liver cancer: **Navendu**Mishra

2.00pm

That this House has considered the ratification of the Global Ocean Treaty: Kevin Foster

Notes:

The subjects for these debates were determined by the Backbench Business Committee. These debates will begin at 12.30pm and 2.00pm (Order of 25 March on Westminster Hall: Sitting Times). The sitting will be suspended and time added if divisions take place in the main Chamber (Standing Order No. 10(3)).

Relevant Documents:

Sixth Report of the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee of Session 2022-23, Protecting Marine Mammals in the UK and Abroad, HC 697, and the Government response, HC 1942

WRITTEN STATEMENTS

STATEMENTS TO BE MADE TODAY

Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

1. Update: Deposit Return Scheme for Drinks Containers

Secretary of State for the Home Department

2. Update on the UK-Rwanda Partnership

Secretary of State for Transport

3. Aviation Update

Notes:

Texts of Written Statements are available from the Vote Office and on the internet at https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/ .

COMMITTEES MEETING TODAY

JOINT COMMITTEES

Parliamentary Works Estimates Commission

Chairman of Ways and Means Study 3.00pm (private)

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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 the day after the deadline. Members who are successful will be contacted by the Speaker's Office.

Tuesday 30 April to Thursday 2 May (ballot closed)

The ballot for Tuesday 30 April to Thursday 2 May is closed and will take place today.

Tuesday 7 to Monday 13 May (deadline Wednesday 1 May 7.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

Tuesday 14 to Monday 20 May (deadline Wednesday 8 May 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 the day after the deadline. Members who are successful will be contacted by the Speaker's Office.

Tuesday 7 and Wednesday 8 May (deadline Monday 29 April 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

The following Departments will answer:

Business and Trade; Culture, Media and Sport; Education; Energy Security and Net Zero; Foreign, Commonwealth and Development; Home Office; Science, Innovation and Technology; Scotland; Transport; Women and Equalities; Work and Pensions

Tuesday 14 and Wednesday 15 May (deadline Tuesday 7 May 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

The following Departments will answer:

Attorney General; Business and Trade; Culture, Media and Sport; Defence; Energy Security and Net Zero; Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; Foreign, Commonwealth and Development; Levelling Up, Housing and Communities; Science, Innovation and Technology; Scotland; Treasury

Tuesday 21 and Wednesday 22 May (deadline Monday 13 May 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

The following Departments will answer:

Cabinet Office; Education; Health and Social Care; Home Office; Justice; Northern Ireland; Transport; Wales; Women and Equalities; Work and Pensions

Tuesday 4 and Wednesday 5 June (deadline Monday 20 May 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

The following Departments will answer:

Attorney General; Business and Trade; Culture, Media and Sport; Defence; Energy Security and Net Zero; Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; Foreign, Commonwealth and Development; Levelling Up, Housing and Communities; Science, Innovation and Technology; Scotland; Treasury

Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 June (deadline Monday 3 June 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

The following Departments will answer:

Cabinet Office; Education; Health and Social Care; Home Office; Justice; Northern Ireland; Transport; Wales; Women and Equalities; Work and Pensions

ELECTION OF THE CHAIR OF THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS 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 7 May. 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.

If there is more than one candidate, the ballot will take place between 11.00am and 2.30pm on Wednesday 8 May 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 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

Up to and including 24 April 2024.

New nominations are marked thus *

Candidate: Dame Jackie Doyle-Price

Nominated by (own party): Siobhan Baillie, Adam Afriyie, Nick Fletcher, Sir Alec Shelbrooke, Dr Lisa Cameron, Dame Caroline Dinenage, Caroline Nokes, Andrew Jones, Sir David Evennett, Angela Richardson, Sara Britcliffe, Craig Whittaker, Steve Tuckwell, David Mundell, Robert Halfon

Nominated by (other parties or no party): Neale Hanvey, Rosie Duffield, Carolyn Harris, Judith Cummins, Grahame Morris

Relevant interests declared: none

Candidate: Tom Randall

Nominated by (own party): Michael Fabricant, Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown, Robert Jenrick, Darren Henry, Gary Sambrook, Nicola Richards, Sir Graham Brady, Jane Hunt, Dr James Davies, Richard Graham, Henry Smith, Sarah Atherton, Dr Caroline Johnson, Maggie Throup, Brendan Clarke-Smith

Relevant interests declared: none

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MEMBERS' GUIDE TO CHAMBER PROCEEDINGS

The Members' Guide to Chamber proceedings is available on the Parliamentary website

BUSINESS OF THE DAY

Documents and reports relating to the business being held in the Chamber are available on the Commons Business Briefings webpage: www.parliament.uk/business/publications/research/commons-business-briefings/

WRITTEN STATEMENTS

Text of today's Written Statements: https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/

SELECT COMMITTEES

Select Committees Webpage: https://committees.parliament.uk/

STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PUBLIC BUSINESS

Text of Standing Orders relating to public business: https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm5803/cmstords/so-1932-23102023/so-2023i.pdf

CHAMBER ENGAGEMENT

Information about engaging the public with debates is available on the parliamentary website: https://www.parliament.uk/get-involved/have-your-say-on-laws/chamber-engagement/.

All business papers are available via the HousePapers app on mobile devices

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Order Paper: Future Business

Calendar of Business

Business in either Chamber may be changed, and further business added, up to the rising of the House on the day before it is to be taken, and is therefore provisional.

Government items of business in this section have nominally been set down for today, but are expected to be taken on the dates stated.

Remaining Orders and Notices

Business in this section has not yet been scheduled for a specific date. It has been nominally set down for today but is not expected to be taken today.