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Weekly Information Bulletin

The next Bulletin will be published on Saturday 20 January 2007

Private Members' Bill Fridays

The Leader of the House has announced that the following Fridays have been allocated for the consideration of Private Members' Bills during the 2006/07 session:

2007: 19th & 26th January, 2nd and 23rd February, 2nd, 9th and 23rd March, 20th and 27th April, 18th May, 15th and 29th June, 19th October.

General Committees

There has been a substantial change to committees in the House. Standing Committees now come under the heading of General Committees. Standing Committees that would have considered public bills are now a form of General Committee called Public Bill Committees. They will be named after the Bill that they consider, e.g., the Welfare Reform Bill Committee. These committees will have the power to take evidence from bodies outside of Parliament.

These changes have required some changes to the pages formerly titled Standing Committees. We have tried to make these changes as clear as possible. Please let us know if you encounter any difficulty in following the information provided.

House of Commons Calendar for 2006/2007 session

The Leader of the House has announced the following provisional recess dates for the 2006/2007 session:

Christmas recess 2006
The House will rise on Tuesday 19 December 2006 and return on Monday 8 January 2007

Spring half term recess 2007
The House will rise on Thursday 8 February 2007 and return on Monday 19 February 2007

Easter recess 2007
The House will rise on Thursday 29 March 2007 and return on Monday 16 April 2007

Whitsun recess 2007
The House will rise on Thursday 24 May 2007 and return on Monday 4 June 2007

Summer recess 2007
The House will rise on Thursday 26 July 2007 and return on Monday 8 October 2007

http://www.parliament.uk
The Parliament website provides information on parliamentary proceedings, membership of both Houses and general information on a wide range of parliamentary matters. See index for material available on the website.
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**The Week Ahead: 15 – 19 January 2007**

**Date Commons Chamber Select Committees Lords Chamber Lords Select Committees**

**Mon 15 Jan**
- OPQ – Home Office
- OPQ – Planning (Preparations) Bill (Committee stage 3rd day)
- Adj - Helicopter flights over London

**Tues 16 Jan**
- OPQ – Foreign and Commonwealth Office
- OPQ – Environmental Audit Commission
- Adj - Adapting to the effects of climate change

**Weds 17 Jan**
- OPQ – Trade and Industry
- OPQ – Adj - Islington North (adjournment)
- Adj - Adjournment motion on a motion for the adjournment of the House

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- OPQ – Trade and Industry
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**Fri 19 Jan**
- Private Members Bills
- OPQ – Adj - Eurotunnel freight route
Order of Oral Questions
(N.B. All dates are provisional)

Monday 8th January – Thursday 8th February 2007

|-------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| • Work and Pensions  
  • Leader of the House  
  • House of Commons Commission | • Health | • Northern Ireland  
  • Prime Minister | • Education and Skills  
  • Solicitor General |

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| • Home Office | • Foreign and Commonwealth Office | • Wales  
  • Prime Minister | • Trade and Industry  
  • Minister for Women and Equality |

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| • Defence  
  • Scotland;  
  • Communities and Local Government | • International Development  
  • Prime Minister | | • Treasury |

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| • Culture, Media and Sport  
  • Church Commissioners;  
  • Public Accounts Commission;  
  • Speaker’s Committee on the Electoral Commission | • Transport  
  • Constitutional Affairs | • Deputy Prime Minister  
  • Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster  
  • Prime Minister | • Environment, Food and Rural Affairs |

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Weekly Information Bulletin

Business of the House of Commons
18 – 19 December 2006 & 8 – 12 January 2007

Monday 18 December

The House sat at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Culture, Media and Sport; Church Commissioners; Public Accounts Commission; Speaker’s Committee on the Electoral Commission

Statement – European Council – Margaret Beckett

Legislation – Digital Switchover (Disclosure of Information) Bill – Second reading (Agreed)

Adjournment – Romford’s new hospital -- Andrew Rosindell

The House rose at 9.52pm

Tuesday 19 December

The House sat at 11.30pm

Oral Questions – Transport; Constitutional Affairs

Legislation – Motion on the Christmas Recess adjournment

Adjournment – Proposed closure of GE lights in Leicester – Keith Vaz

The House rose at 7.27pm

The House rose for the Christmas recess at the conclusion of Business

Monday 8 January

The House sat at 2.30pm

Oral Questions -- Work and Pensions; Leader of the House; House of Commons Commission

Legislation – Statistics and Registration Service Bill – Second reading (Agreed)

Adjournment – Detention of Bisher Al-Rawi in Guantanamo Bay -- Mr Edward Davey

The House rose at 10.09pm

Tuesday 9 January

The House sat in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-2.00pm

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Manufacturing industry and emissions trading - Mr Adrian Bailey
11.00-12.30 Afghanistan - Sir John Stanley
12.30-13.00 County Farm Estates and tenant farmers - Mr David Drew
13.00-13.30 Rural policing in Gloucestershire - Mr Mark Harper
13.30-14.00 Future of the coal industry in Nottinghamshire - Paddy Tippping

The House sat at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Health

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Human Rights Act 1998 (Meaning of Public Authority) – Mr Andrew Dismore

Legislation – Welfare Reform Bill – Remaining stages (Agreed as amended)
Adjournment – Future of sheltered accommodation for the elderly in Bexley -- Derek Conway

The House rose at 10.30pm

Wednesday 10 January

The House sat in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-11.30am and 2.30-5.00pm

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Safety of pleasure craft on the River Thames - Angela Watkinson
11.00-11.30 Ford Prison – Nick Herbert
14.30-16.00 Cyprus - Mr Andrew Dismore
16.00-16.30 Passenger rail services on the Ashington, Blythe and Tyne line - Mr Denis Murphy
16.30-17.00 Gowers Review of Intellectual Property - Pete Wishart

The House sat at 11.30am

Oral Questions – Northern Ireland; Prime Minister

Statement – Criminal Records Backlog – John Reid

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Protection of Listed Vehicles – Mr John Randall

Debate – Opposition day (2nd allotted day) – i) Community Maternity Services (motion as amended agreed to); ii) Future of the sub-Post Office network (motion as amended agreed to)

Adjournment – Rail level crossing safety in North Essex -- Mr Bernard Jenkin

The House rose at 7.58 pm

Thursday 11 January

The House will sit at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Education and Skills; Solicitor General

Business Statement – Leader of the House

Debate – on Social Exclusion on a motion for the adjournment of the House

Adjournment – Neonatal screening for Leukodystrophies -- Tom Levitt

The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 2.30pm and 5.30pm

Westminster Hall – A debate on the future of Legal Aid

Friday 12 January

The House will not be sitting
Written Ministerial Statements
18 – 19 December 2006 & 8 – 12 January 2007

18.12.2006 Pathfinder (Birmingham Sandwell) – Yvette Cooper
18.12.2006 Building Regulations – Angela E. Smith
18.12.2006 Mineral Permissions – Meg Munn
18.12.2006 Electoral Administration Act – Bridget Prentice
18.12.2006 The Forfeiture Rule and Law of Succession – Ms Harriet Harman
18.12.2006 Mental Capacity Act 2005 – Ms Harriet Harman
18.12.2006 Oxfordshire Inquests (a) – Ms Harriet Harman
18.12.2006 Prisoners’ Voting Rights (Consultation) – Bridget Prentice
18.12.2006 ABRO – Mr Adam Ingram
18.12.2006 Royal Irish Home Service – Mr Adam Ingram
18.12.2006 Patient Safety – Andy Burnham
18.1.2.2006 Independent Inspectorate for Immigration – Mr Liam Byrne
18.12.2006 Justice and Home Affairs Council (4-5 December 2006) – Joan Ryan
18.12.2006 Companies Act 2006 – Margaret Hodge
18.12.2006 Wind Farms (Thames Estuary) – Mr Alistair Darling
18.12.2006 Post Telcoms Council (11 December 2006) – Margaret Hodge
18.12.2006 EU Transport Council (11-12 December 2006) – Dr Stephen Ladyman
18.12.2006 Local Transport Capital Settlement 2007-08 – Mr Douglas Alexander
18.12.2006 Rail Franchise – Mr Douglas Alexander
18.12.2006 Transport Innovation Fund (Productivity) -- Mr Douglas Alexander
19.12.2006 National Identity Scheme – Mr Liam Byrne
19.12.2006 Northern Ireland Human rights Commission (Seventh Annual Report) – Mr David Hanson
19.12.2006 Future of the United Kingdom’s Nuclear Deterrent – Mr Tony Blair
19.12.2006 Thameslink – Mr Tom Harris
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Forthcoming Business of the House of Commons
15 – 19 January

Monday 15 January

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions -- Home Office

Legislation – Planning-Gain Supplement (Preparations) Bill – Second reading

Adjournment – Helicopter flights over London - Susan Kramer

Tuesday 16 January

The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-2.00pm

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Future of community hospital services - Mr Graham Stuart
11.00-12.30 Provision of health services on Teesside - Frank Cook
12.30-13.00 Bank penalty charges and social exclusion - Matthew Taylor
13.00-13.30 Coin operated sun bed salons - Mrs Siân C James
13.30-14.00 Prosecuting policy on induced car crashes - Mr Richard Bacon

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Foreign and Commonwealth Office

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Bilingual Juries (Wales) – Hywel Williams

Legislation – Pensions Bill – Second reading

Adjournment – Clostridium difficile - Mr David Burrowes

Wednesday 17 January

The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-11.30am and 2.30-5.00pm

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Affordable housing in the North and Midlands - Dr Brian Iddon
11.00-11.30 Education funding in Middlesbrough - Dr Ashok Kumar
14.30-16.00 Public funding for residential care - Daniel Kawczynski
16.00-16.30 Spending on public infrastructure in London - Mr Andrew Pelling
16.30-17.00 Withdrawal of Co-proxamol - Miss Anne Begg

The House will sit at 11.30am

Oral Questions – Wales; Prime Minister

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Safeguarding Runaway and Missing Children – Helen Southworth

Debate – On the Report from the Joint committee on Conventions

Adjournment – Adapting to the effects of climate change - Rob Marris
Thursday 18 January

The House will sit at 10.30am

**Oral Questions** – Trade and Industry; Minister for Women and Equality

**Debate** – on Anti-Social Behaviour on a motion for the adjournment of the House

**Adjournment** – Train services in Maidenhead and Twyford - Mrs Theresa May

The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 2.30pm and 5.30pm


Friday 19 January

The House will sit at 9.30am

**Private Members Bills** – Sustainable Communities Bill – Mr Nick Hurd (2R); Local Planning Authorities (Energy and Energy Efficiency) Bill – Mr Martin Caton (2R); Freedom of Information (Amendment) Bill – David Maclean (2R); Provision of Palliative Care – Jim Dobbin (2R)

**Adjournment** - Eurorail freight route - Kelvin Hopkins
**Provisional Forthcoming Business of the House of Commons**

**22 – 26 January**

**Monday 22 January**

*The House will sit at 2.30pm*

**Oral Questions** -- Defence

**Legislation** – Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Bill – Second reading

**Adjournment** – Human rights for older people - Mr Paul Burstow

**Tuesday 23 January**

*The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-2.00pm*

**Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates** -- **

*The House will sit at 2.30pm*

**Oral Questions** – Scotland; Communities and Local Government

**Ten Minute Rule Bill** – Statutory Instruments act 1946 (Amendment) – Mr Paul Burstow

**Legislation** – Opposition Day (3rd allotted day). There will be a debate on an Opposition motion. Subject to be announced

**Adjournment** – *

**Wednesday 24 January**

*The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 9.30am-11.30am and 2.30-5.00pm*

**Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates** -- **

*The House will sit at 11.30am*

**Oral Questions** – International Development; Prime Minister

**Debate** – on Iraq and the Middle East on a motion for the adjournment of the House

**Adjournment** – *

**Thursday 25 January**

*The House will sit at 10.30am*

**Oral Questions** – Treasury

**Legislation** – Fraud (Trials without a Jury) Bill – remaining stages

**Adjournment** – *

*The House will sit in Westminster Hall between 2.30pm and 5.30pm*

Friday 26 January

The House will sit at 9.30am

**Private Members Bills** – Energy Saving (Daylight) Bill – Mr Tim Yeo (2R); Infrastructure Audit (Housing Development) Bill – Mr Francis Maude (2R); Cluster Munitions (Prohibition of Development and Acquisition) Bill – Nick Harvey (2R)

**Adjournment -- *  
* Details known previous Thursday after 1.00pm  
** Details known previous Wednesday after 1.00pm**
Forthcoming Business of the House of Lords
15 – 18 January 2007

Monday 15 January (2.30pm)

**Oral questions** — Lord Lee of Trafford to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they considered the implications for United Kingdom tourism before deciding to reduce the budget of British Waterways; Lord Sheldon to ask Her Majesty’s Government what plans they have for the future funding of museums and galleries; Lord Naseby to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they have undertaken any cost-benefit analysis of the role of the sub post office in today’s society; Lord Berkeley to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether the conduct of the new Great Western Trains franchise has met the Government’s performance criteria.

**Legislation** — Mental Health Bill [HL] (Committee stage 3rd day); Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Bill (Grand Committee stage 2nd day – Moses Room 3.30pm).

**Question for short debate** — International Polar Year 2007-08 (V. Montgomery of Alamein).

Tuesday 16 January (2.30pm)

**Oral questions** — Lord Cobbold to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is the status of the root and branch review of the ABC system of drug classification, announced by the Home Secretary in January 2005; Lord Ashley of Stoke to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to implement the United Nations Charter on disability rights; Lord Bradshaw to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether the United Kingdom airline industry is making sufficient efforts to reduce its carbon emissions and combat global warming.

**Debate** — On the report of the Joint Committee on Conventions of the UK Parliament (L. Falconer of Thoroton).

Wednesday 17 January (3.00pm)

**Oral questions** — Lord Pearson of Rannoch to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they have supported, in the Council of Ministers, the European Union’s use of Article 308 of the Treaty Establishing the European Communities as the legal basis for the European Union’s Civil Protection Mechanism; Lord Northbourne to ask Her Majesty’s Government, at the last date for which figures are available, how many couples with a child under five were living with relatives or in temporary accommodation waiting to buy an affordable home; Lord Hannay of Chiswick to ask Her Majesty’s Government what impact assessment they have made of the effect on the higher education sector of a possible further increase in visa fees for international students; and what consideration they are giving to waiving such fees.

**Legislation** — Mental Health Bill [HL] (Committee stage 4th day); Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Bill (Grand Committee stage 3rd day) – Moses Room 3.45pm.

**Question for short debate** — Problems facing the bus industry (L. Bradshaw).

Thursday 18 January (11.00am)

**Oral questions** — Lord Low of Dalston to ask Her Majesty’s Government what account they propose to take, in the forthcoming Manual for Streets, of (a) the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association’s research on shared surfaces; and (b) the Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee’s research on Home Zones; Lord Hoyle to ask Her Majesty’s Government what are the consequences to National Health Service patients of the National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence’s decision not to approve the drug Velcade; Lord Astor of Hever to ask Her Majesty’s Government when the Royal Navy future carrier demonstration phase is expected to complete, and when the main investment decision is expected to be taken.
**Legislation** – Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Bill (Grand Committee stage 4th day) – Moses Room 2.00pm.

**Debates** – On social care workforce (E. Listowel); franchising of railway industry (L. Chidgey); EU Committee report on Managing Nuclear Safety and Waste: the role of the EU (L. Renton of Mount Harry).
Provisional Forthcoming Business of the House of Lords
22 – 26 January 2007

Monday 22 January (2.30pm)

Oral questions — Lord Higgins to ask Her Majesty’s Government what representations they have received regarding dangers to navigation posed by the proposed wind farm development off the Kent and Essex coasts; Lord Giddens to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is their assessment of the current status of Turkey’s potential accession to the European Union; Lord Archer of Sandwell to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is their assessment of the Final Declaration of the Sixth Review Conference on the Biological Weapons Convention; Lord Foulkes of Cumnock to ask Her Majesty’s Government what recent consideration they have given to representations from Football DataCo Limited on the effect on English and Scottish football of the Directive on the legal protection of databases (96/9/EC) and the Copyright and Rights in Databases Regulations 1997 (SI 1997/3032) as interpreted by the European Court of Justice.

Legislation — Legal Services Bill [HL] (Committee stage 2nd day)


Tuesday 23 January (2.30pm)

Oral questions — Lord Lloyd of Berwick to ask Her Majesty’s Government what will be the total cost of establishing the new Supreme Court in the Middlesex Guildhall, including costs already incurred, and the eventual cost of creating seven new courtrooms elsewhere in central London to replace those currently in the Guildhall; Lord Ezra to ask Her Majesty’s Government what progress they have made towards the development of clean coal technology, including carbon capture and storage; Lord Greaves to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is their estimate of the value to the economy of informal recreational activities such as walking, cycling and mountaineering.

Legislation — Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Bill [HL] (report stage); Legal Services Bill [HL] (Committee stage 3rd day); Further Education and Training Bill [HL] (Grand Committee 1st day — Moses Room 3.30pm).

Delegated legislation — National Assembly for Wales (Representation of the People) Order 2007 — Motion for approval.

Wednesday 24 January (3.00pm)

Oral questions — Lord Lamont of Lerwick to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will set up an enquiry into the operating efficiency of Heathrow Airport run by BAA, as it affects the tourist industry; Lord Wallace of Saltaire to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they plan to put greater emphasis in their annual Remembrance Day services on the role played by other states in ensuring victory; Lord Avebury to ask Her Majesty’s Government when they decided to discontinue the use of X-rays to assist in age determination for immigration purposes.

Debate — On the future of the United Kingdom’s Nuclear Deterrent (L. Drayson).

Thursday 25 January (11.00am)

**Oral questions**  — Lord Judd to ask Her Majesty’s Government why they have not yet signed the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings; Earl Attlee to ask Her Majesty’s Government when the preferred bidder for the Future Strategic Tanker Aircraft was announced; Viscount Tenby to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is the number of successful prosecutions in relation to the use of hand-held telephones whilst driving

**Legislation**  — Cluster Munitions (Prohibition) Bill [HL] (Committee stage); Further Education and Training Bill [HL] (Grand Committee stage 2nd day – Moses Room 2.00pm).

**Debate**  — On the 300th anniversary of the Treaty of Union and to the maintenance of a United Kingdom (L. Forsyth of Drumlean)

**Delegated legislation**  — Compensation (Exemptions) Order 2006; Marriage Act 1949 (Remedial) Order 2006 – Motions for approval.

Friday 26 January (11.00am)

**Legislation**  — Forced Marriage (Civil Protection) Bill [HL] (second reading); Public Demonstrations (Repeals) Bill [HL] (second reading); Government Spending (Website) Bill [HL] (second reading).
Legislation – General Notes

In the list of Bills which follows, the type of Bill is shown at the left-hand margin below the title by the following codes:

- **G** Government Bills
- **C** Consolidation Bills
- **B** Private Members’ Bills (under the ballot procedure). The number after refers to position in ballot
- **P** Private Members’ Bills (under SO No 57)
- **T** Private Members’ Bills (under the Ten Minute Rule, SO No 23)
- **L** Private Members’ Bills starting in the House of Lords

**Abbreviations:**

- **1R** First Reading: date of presentation (no debate at this stage except for Class T Bills, which have short introductory speeches)
- **2R** Second Reading (the debate on the principle of the Bill)
- **MR** Money Resolution (normally taken after 2R: shown below only if taken at another time)
- **SRC** Second Reading Committee (2R taken in Committee: formal 2R in whole House next day unless otherwise stated)
- **SGC/WGC** Scottish or Welsh Grand Committee consideration of principle (equates with SRC)
- **PC** Programming Committee (sits in private)
- **PSC** Programming Sub-Committee (sits in private)
- **Comm** Committee Stage (the detailed examination of the Bill). If no committee is named (eg SC A) a committee of the whole House is indicated
- **Comm** House of Lords Grand Committee, taken in a committee room
- **JCCB** Joint Committee on Consolidation Bills
- **JC TLRB** Joint Committee on Tax Law Re-write Bills (the date indicates the date on which the Bill was committed to the Joint Committee). After proceedings in JC TLRB, a motion may be moved by a Minister to discharge the Committee of the Whole House from considering the Bill. If this is agreed the bill is automatically ordered to be read a third time.
- **LPBC** House of Lords Public Bill Committee (committee Stage in the House of Lords, when the consideration is not undertaken by a committee of the whole House)
- **SPBC** Special Public Bill Committee (committee Stage in the House of Lords, when the consideration is not undertaken by a committee of the whole House. Public evidence is taken)
- **PBC** Public Bill Committee in the House of Commons
- **SSC/SSSC** Special Standing Committee (Special Scottish Standing Committee) on a Bill, where public evidence is taken
- **SC A, (B, etc)** Standing Committee A, B, etc
- **CN** Committee negatived. (Indicates that there was no debate at committee stage in the House of Lords)
- **OCD** Order of Commitment discharged (no debate at committee stage in the House of Lords)
- **Rep** Report Stage (detailed review of the Bill as amended in committee)
- **3R** Third Reading (final debate on the Bill)
- **RS** Remaining Stages (Report Stage and Third Reading taken on the same day)
- **LA** Lords’ Amendments considered in the House of Commons
- **CA** Commons’ Amendments considered in the House of Lords
- **1st (2nd) Scot SC** 1st (2nd) Scottish Standing Committee
- **CO** Carry-over Motion
- **RC** Re-committal to Standing Committee, or to Committee stage in House of Lords
- **EP** Extension of period for proceedings
- **GM** Allocation of Time Motion (Guillotine motion)
- **SelCom** Programme Motion
- **ATM** Allocation of Time Motion
- **SciCom** Bill referred to a Select Committee
- **[HL]** Indicates a Bill which started in the House of Lords
- **HYBRID BILL** A Public Bill which affects the private interests of particular persons or corporate bodies as distinct from the private interests of all persons or bodies
- **PROPOSED BILL** Indicates that a motion for leave to bring in a Bill under the Ten Minute Rule (SO No 23) was negatived
- **Prov 2R (Rep, 3R)** Provisional date for 2nd Reading of a Bill etc. For Private Members’ Bills (if set down for a Private Members Bill Friday) this is followed, by the position of the Bill in the order of business for that day, thus giving some indication of the likelihood of debate.
- **Pri** Private

**Asterisk** means that proceedings were formal, with no debate

**Dropped** - a day for the next reading has not been named or time has run out for the Bill to be considered

**[Prorogued]** – the House prorogued before the Bill could proceed any further (does not apply to Bills with Carry-over Motions)

**Order for 2nd Reading lapsed** - the Bill has not been printed, therefore does not appear on the order paper on the named day

**Withdrawn** - Member in charge has withdrawn the Bill

# - Member in charge has named a date for consideration which is not a Private Members’ Bill Friday, therefore the Bill will not be debated.
Complete list of Public Bills before Parliament this Session

The following is a list of Public Bills which are before Parliament this session, with the exception of Order Confirmation Bills.

To save space, the list is abbreviated. The title of the Bill is followed by the name of the Member and/or Peer sponsoring it. The letter denotes the type of Bill (see Legislation – General Notes). This is followed by the Bill number(s) with full bill reprints indicated by the use of bold. Then follow the dates of the various stages (eg 8.11 – 8 November). All forthcoming, and therefore provisional, dates are italicised. Government Bills are listed in bold type. For an explanation of Parliamentary consideration of Public Bills see HCIO Factsheets L1 and L2

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Commons: (33) 1R: 13.12.2006 (not printed) Prov 2R: 2.2.2007  Sarah McCarthy-Fry

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND MICROGENERATION [HL] (L)
Lords: (21) 1R: 13.12.2006 Prov 2R: No date  Lord Redesdale

ENERGY SAVING (DAYLIGHT) (B2)
Commons: (18) 1R: 13.12.2006 (not printed) Prov 2R: 26.1.2007  Mr Tim Yeo

EUROPEAN UNION (IMPLICATIONS OF WITHDRAWAL) [HL] (L)
Lords: (7) 1R: 20.11.2006 Prov 2R: No date  Lord Pearson of Rannoch

EUROPEAN UNION (INFORMATION, etc.) [HL] (L)
Lords: (15) 1R: 28.11.2006 2R: 15.12.2006 Prov Comm: No date  Lord Dykes

FINANCIAL MUTUALS ARRANGEMENTS (B7)
Commons: (23) 1R: 13.12.2006 (not printed) Prov 2R: 23.3.2007 Sir John Butterfill

FORCED MARRIAGE (CIVIL PROTECTION) [HL] (L)
Lords: (3) 1R: 16.11.2006 Prov 2R: 26.1.2007 Lord Lester of Herne Hill

FRAUD (TRIALS WITHOUT A JURY) (G)

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (AMENDMENT) (P)
Commons: (39) 1R: 18.12.2006 (not printed) Prov 2R: 19.1.2007  David Maclean

FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING [HL] (G)

GOVERNMENT SPENDING (WEBSITE) [HL] (L)
Lords: (20) 1R: 11.12.2006 Prov 2R: 26.1.2007  Baroness Noakes

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY (G)

HOUSE OF COMMONS (PARTICIPATION) (B6)
Commons: (22) 1R: 13.12.2006 (not printed) Prov 2R: 9.3.2007  Mr Robert Walter

HOUSING ASSOCIATION (RIGHTS AND REPRESENTATION OF RESIDENTS) (B19)
Commons: (35) 1R: 13.12.2006 (not printed) Prov 2R: 2.3.2007  Emily Thornberry

HUMAN RIGHTS ACT 1998 (MEANING OF PUBLIC AUTHORITY) (T)
Commons: (43) 1R: 9.1.2007 Prov 2R: 15.6.2007  Mr Andrew Dismore

INCOME TAX (G)

INFRASTRUCTURE AUDIT (HOUSING DEVELOPMENT) (B20)
Commons: (36) 1R: 13.12.2006 (not printed) Prov 2R: 26.1.2007  Mr Francis Maude

INTERCEPTION OF COMMUNICATIONS (ADMISSIBILITY OF EVIDENCE) [HL] (L)
Lords: (11) 1R: 23.11.2006 Prov 2R: No date  Lord Lloyd of Berwick

INVESTMENT EXCHANGES AND CLEARING HOUSES (G)


JUSTICE AND SECURITY (NORTHERN IRELAND) (G)
LAND USE (GARDENS PROTECTION ETC) (B3)  Mrs Caroline Spelman
Commons: (19) 1R: 13.12.2006  (not printed)  Prov 2R: 2.2.2007

LEGAL SERVICES [HL] (G)  Lord Falconer of Thoroton

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH (G)  Ruth Kelly
Commons: (16) 1R: 12.12.2006  Prov 2R: 22.1.2007

LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITIES (ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY) (B9)  Mr Martin Caton

MENTAL HEALTH [HL] (G)  Lord Warner

NORTHERN IRELAND (ST ANDREWS AGREEMENT) (G)  Peter Hain/Lord Rooker
3R: 21.11.2006
Royal Assent: 22.11.2006 (Ch. 53)  NORTHERN IRELAND (ST ANDREWS AGREEMENT) ACT 2006

OFFENDER MANAGEMENT (G)  John Reid

OFF-ROAD VEHICLES (REGISTRATION) (B5)  Graham Stringer
Commons: (21) 1R: 13.12.2006  (not printed)  Prov 2R: 2.3.2007

PALLIATIVE CARE [HL] (L)  Baroness Finlay of Llandaff
Lords: (4) 1R: 16.11.2006 (not printed)  Prov 2R: No date

PENSIONS (G)  John Hutton
Commons: (12) 1R: 28.11.2006  Prov 2R: 16.1.2007

PLANNING-GAIN SUPPLEMENT (PREPARATIONS) (G)  Gordon Brown
Commons: (37) 1R: 12.12.2006  Prov 2R:15.1.2007

POLLING STATIONS (REGULATION) (B11)  Mr Roger Godsiff
Commons: (27) 1R: 13.12.2006  (not printed)  Prov 2R: 23.2.2007

POST-16 EDUCATION AND TRAINING (B15)  Mr Barry Sheerman
Commons: (31) 1R: 13.12.2006  (not printed)  Prov 2R: 23.2.2007

PROTECTION OF LISTED VEHICLES (T)  Mr John Randall
Commons: (44) 1R: 10.1.2007  Prov 2R: 2.2.2007

PROVISION OF PALLIATIVE CARE (P)  Jim Dobbin
Commons: (40) 1R: 18.12.2006  Prov 2R: 19.1.2007

PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS (REPEALS) [HL] (L)  Baroness Miller of Chilthorne Domer
Lords: (12) 1R: 23.11.2006  Prov 2R: 26.1.2007

STATISTICS AND REGISTRATION SERVICE (G)  Gordon Brown

STREETSCAPE AND HIGHWAYS DESIGN (B13)  Mr Alan Duncan

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES (B1)  Mr Nick Hurd

TEMPORARY AND AGENCY WORKERS  Mr Paul Farrelly
(PREVENTION OF LESS FAVOURABLE TREATMENT) (B8)  (not printed)  Prov 2R: 2.3.2007
TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY (P)  
Commons: (41)  1R: 18.12.2006 (not printed)  Prov 2R: 23.3.2007  
Mrs Nadine Dorries

TRADE UNION RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS (B16)  
Commons: (32)  1R: 13.12.2006 (not printed)  Prov 2R: 2.3.2007  
John McDonnell

TRIBUNALS, COURTS AND ENFORCEMENT [HL] (G)  
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VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS (B10)  
Richard Ottaway
Commons: (26)  1R: 13.12.2006 (not printed)  Prov 2R: 23.3.2007

VICTIMS OF OVERSEAS TERRORISM [HL] (L)  
Lord Brennan
Lords: (23)  1R: 19.12.2006  Prov 2R: No date

WAGING WAR (PARLIAMENT'S ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY) (B18)  
Mr Michael Meacher
Commons: (34)  1R: 13.12.2006 (not printed)  Prov 2R: 2.2.2007

WELFARE REFORM (G)  
Mr John Hutton
(introduced in session 2005-06 and carried over to session 2006-07)
Comm (SC A): 17, 19, 24, 26 & 31.10 & 2.11.2006
3R: 9.1.2007
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- **Public Bills before Parliament**
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Draft Bills under consideration or published during 2006/07 Session

As part of the reforms to the legislative process initiated by the Modernisation Committee, the government now publishes a number of bills each session in draft form, before they are introduced into parliament as formal bills. This enables consultation and pre-legislative scrutiny before a bill is issued formally.

Increasingly, it had become the practice in recent sessions for the House to refer these to a joint committee of the Commons and Lords appointed for the specific purpose of examining and reporting on a named draft bill. On occasions a draft bill may be referred to one of the departmental select committees or a select committee appointed for that specific purpose.

Listed below are draft bills that are currently under consideration or that have been published during the 2006/07 Session of Parliament. Further information on draft bills, including those from previous sessions can be viewed on the Parliament website at http://www.parliament.uk/bills/draftbills.cfm. This page links to electronic copies of the draft bills and related publications including select committee reports on the draft bills.

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Copies of Private Bills can be obtained from the appropriate Agent, details listed below

- **Rees & Freres**, 1 The Sanctuary, London, SW1P 3JT, 020-7222 5381  
  E-mail: enquiries@1thesanctuary.com
- **Sharpe Pritchard**, Elizabeth House, Fulwood Place, London, WC1V 6HG, 020-7405 4600  
  E-mail: parliamentary@sharpepritchard.co.uk
- **Bircham Dyson Bell**, 50 Broadway, Westminster, London, SW1H 0BL, 020-7227 7000  
  E-mail: pamthompson@bdb-law.co.uk
- **Winckworth Sherwood**, 35 Great Peter Street, London, SW1P 3LR, 020-7593 5000  
  E-mail: agorlov@winckworths.co.uk
- **Vizards Tweedie**, 42 Bedford Row, London, WC1R 4JL, 020-7405 1234  
  E-mail: info@vizardstweedie.co.uk
  Email: Helen.kemp@blplaw.com

Members of Parliament may obtain copies of Private Bills from the Vote Office.
Complete List of Private bills before Parliament this Session

The following is a list of Private Bills before Parliament. Private Bills originate outside Parliament and are promoted by bodies seeking special powers not available under the general law. Each Bill starts with a petition to Parliament from the promoter for leave to bring in a Bill; this must be deposited on or before 27 November. Any such petitions will be noted below until they gain a 1st Reading.

Parties affected by a Bill may present a petition against it, clearly stating the grounds of their objection. The petitioning period will be shown beneath the Bill until the deadline has expired.

House of Commons Private Bill Office: Sian Jones (Tel: 020 7219 3250 e-mail: prbohoc@parliament.uk)
House of Lords Private Bill Office: Chris Bolton (Tel: 020 7219 3231 e-mail: prbohol@parliament.uk)

For an explanation of parliamentary consideration of Private Bills see HC10 Factsheet L4

LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITIES [HL] 04/05 (Sharpe Pritchard)
Lords: 1R: 24.1.2005
   Susp: 31.10.2006
Lords: 1R: 16.11.2006  *2R: 16.11.2006
         Provb 3R: No date

LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND TRANSPORT FOR LONDON 04/05 (Sharpe Pritchard)
Commons: 1R: 25.1.2005
   Susp: 15.12.2005
Commons: 1R: 22.11.2006  *2R: 22.11.2006  *3R: 22.11.2006
Lords: 1R: 25.5.2005  2R: 1.2.2006
Lords: 1R: 15.12.2005  2R: 1.2.2006
Lords: 1R: 22.11.2006  *2R: 22.11.2006  *3R: 22.11.2006  UBC: 5.12.2006  Provb UBC: No date

TRANSPORT FOR LONDON [HL] 05/06 (Rees & Freres) (the bill is opposed; 4 petitions outstanding against the bill)
   Susp: 31.10.2006
Lords: 1R: 16.11.2006  *2R: 16.11.2006  Provb UBC: No date

WHITEHAVEN HARBOUR [HL] 05/06 (Rees & Freres)
Lords: 1R: 16.11.2006  *2R: 16.11.2006  Provb UBC: No date

N.B. Five petitions for Bills were deposited on 27 November 2006:
Bournemouth Borough Council Bill
Broads Authority Bill
Manchester City Council Bill
National Trust (Northern Ireland) Bill
Transport for London (Supplemental Toll Provisions) Bill

The examination of these Bills will be on Monday 18 December.
Delegated Legislation

Statutory Instruments

The most common form of delegated legislation, or secondary legislation, is Statutory Instruments. Those requiring parliamentary approval are subject to either the affirmative or negative procedure: this is explained in HCIO Factsheet L7.

The laying of Orders before the House of Commons is recorded in the Statutory Instrument List published by the Journal Office: http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmsilist/cmsilist.htm. This list records when Orders were laid and in the case of affirmative instruments, whether a motion for their approval has been tabled. In the case of Negative Instruments, the number of praying days left (in which a motion calling for the instrument to be annulled may be laid) is noted.

Regulatory Reform Proposals and Orders: Proceedings as at 13 January 2007

Under the Regulatory Reform Act 2001 (s 6(1)) the Government is able to make Orders to amend or repeal provisions in primary legislation, which are considered to impose a burden on businesses or others, which could be reduced or removed without removing any necessary protection.

For an explanation of Parliamentary consideration of Regulatory Reform Orders, see HCIO Factsheet No L7

Committee recommendation:

- a) a draft order in the same terms as the proposal should be laid before the House
- b) proposal should be amended before a draft order is laid before the House
- c) the order-making power should not be used in respect of the proposals
- d) draft order should be approved † indicates Committee’s recommendation was agreed after a division
- e) draft order should not be approved
- * indicates stage taken formally, no debate
- # indicates report issued following amendments to draft order

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Under the Human Rights Act 1998 (s10), if a court makes a declaration of incompatibility with the European Convention on Human Rights in relation to a statute, the Government is able to propose draft Orders or make Orders to amend primary legislation in order to remove any incompatibility. The Joint Committee on Human Rights is required, in accordance with Schedule 2 to the Act, to report to each House its opinion on any such proposal, draft Order or urgent procedure Order within a specified period after it has been laid before Parliament.

Committee recommendation:
- a) a draft order in the same terms as the proposal should be laid before the House
- b) the proposal should be amended before a draft order is laid before the House
- c) the order or draft order should be approved
- d) the order should be replaced by a modified order
- e) the order or draft order should not be approved

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Northern Ireland Legislation: proceedings as at 13 January 2007

The Northern Ireland Assembly was suspended from midnight on 14 October 2002. During suspension, legislation, which would otherwise have come within the competence of the Assembly, may be made by Order in Council under Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 2000. The 2000 Act is also currently being used to make Orders in Council which, while the Assembly was active, would have been made under section 85 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 (Orders making provision for certain reserved matters, for example the criminal law).

Unless made without Parliamentary Approval by reason of urgency, draft Orders in Council must be approved by a resolution of both Houses before being made (affirmative procedure). Orders in Council made before Parliamentary approval by reason of urgency (U), must be approved by both Houses within 40 days of being made.

Some UK Acts, for example dealing with social security or pensions, provide for corresponding provisions to be made for Northern Ireland by means of an Order in Council under the 2000 Act, subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House (negative procedure (N)), rather than by the normal affirmative procedure.

Where appropriate, proposals for draft Orders in Council are issued for public consultation and on occasions may be considered by the Northern Ireland Grand Committee (G), before the draft Order is laid. Prior to formal approval being sought on the floor of the Commons, draft Orders are normally considered in a Delegated Legislation Committee (D) or, less frequently, by the Northern Ireland Grand Committee. The Northern Ireland Orders Grand Committee (O) would also, from time to time, consider a draft Order before formal approval is sought on the floor of the Lords.

**Abbreviations:**
- **U**: Urgent Procedure
- **G**: Northern Ireland Grand Committee
- **D**: Delegated Legislation Committee
- **O**: Northern Ireland Order Grand Committee
- **A**: Approved
- **N**: Negative Procedure

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**Transport and Works Act 1992 Orders**

This Act replaces Private Bill procedure for the authorisation of transport works projects

A - Application, made to the TWA Orders Unit at the Department for Transport, date refers to when the application was received in the House

O - Final order, printed as Statutory Instrument, published by The Stationery Office.

Agent - See Private Legislation—General Notes for contact details

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Monday 18 December

ESC
EU Document 12107/06 and Addenda 1-2 relating to an EU Strategy on the Rights of the Child

1st DLC
Draft Employment Act 2002 (Amendment of Schedules 3, 4 and 5) Order 2006

2nd DLC
Section 5 of the European Communities (Amendment) Act 1993

Tuesday 19 December

None

Monday 8 January

None

Tuesday 9 January

PBC
Greater London Authority Bill (1st sitting; Clauses 1-3, 5-16 & Schedule 1 agreed; Clause 4 agreed on division)

ESC
EU Document 11902/06 and Addendum 1 and EU Document 11896/06 and Addenda 1-2 relating to the Sustainable Use of Pesticides, and EU Document 11755/06 and Addenda 1-12 relating to Authorisation of Plant Protection Products

3rd DLSC
Draft Street Works (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 2007

Wednesday 10 January

4th DLSC

Thursday 11 January

PBC
Offender Management Bill (1st & 2nd sittings; Clauses 1 & 2 agreed)

PBC
Greater London Authority Bill (3rd & 4th sittings; Clauses 22-24 & 26 & 28 agreed; Clauses 25 & 27 agreed on division)

5th DLSC
Excise Duties (Surcharges or Rebates) (Hydrocarbon Oils etc.) (Revocation) Order 2006 (S.I., 2006, No. 3235), and the draft Excepted Vehicles (Amendment of Schedule 1 to the Hydrocarbon Oils Duties Act 1979) Order 2006
### Forthcoming General Committee Meetings
**15 – 18 January 2007**

#### Monday 15 January

| ESC   | EU Document 13347/06 relating to EU Enlargement: Bulgaria and Romania, 4.30pm, Room 10 |
| DLC   | Electoral Commission, 4.30pm, Room 11 |

#### Tuesday 16 January

| PBC   | Offender Management Bill, 10.30am & 4.30pm, Room 9 |
| PBC   | Greater London Authority Bill, 10.30am & 4.00pm, Room 11 |
| PBC   | Digital Switchover (Disclosure of Information) Bill, 10.30am & 4.00pm, Room 14 |
| PBC   | Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Bill, 10.30am & 4.30pm, Room 12 |
| PBC   | Statistics and Registration Service Bill, 10.30am & 4.30pm, Room 10 |
| ESC   | EU Document SEC (06) 1195/4 relating to EC Action on Health Services, 4.30pm, Room 6 |

#### Wednesday 17 January

| SRC   | Income Tax Bill, 2.30pm, Room 9 |
| 2nd DLC | Equality Act (Sexual Orientation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006 (S.R. (N.I.), 2006, No. 439), 2.30pm, Room 12 |

#### Thursday 18 January

| PBC   | Offender Management Bill, 9.00am & 2.00pm, Room 9 |
| PBC   | Greater London Authority Bill, 9.30am & 2.00pm, Room 11 |
| PBC   | Digital Switchover (Disclosure of Information) Bill, 9.00am & 1.00pm, Room 14 |
| PBC   | Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Bill, 9.00am & 1.00pm, Room 12 |
| PBC   | Statistics and Registration Service Bill Committee, 9.00am & 1.00pm, Room 10 |

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Monday 18 December

EDUCATION AND SKILLS
Subject: Prison Education: Follow Up
Witnesses: Phil Hope MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Chris Barnham, Head of Offender Learning and Skills Unit, Department for Education and Skills, Rt Hon Baroness Scotland of Asthal QC, Minister for Criminal Justice and Offender Management, and Frances Flaxington, Head of the Community Integration Unit in the National Offender Management Service, Home Office

WORK AND PENSIONS
Subject: The Government’s Employment Strategy
Witness: Jim Murphy MP, Minister for Employment and Welfare Reform, Department for Work and Pensions

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
Subject: ASPIRE - The re-competition of outsourced IT services
Witnesses: Paul Gray CB, Acting Chairman, and Steve Lamey, Chief Information Officer, HM Revenue and Customs and Mr David Boulter, Chief Executive Officer, CapGemini ASPIRE

Tuesday 19 December

HOME AFFAIRS
Subject: Young Black People and the Criminal Justice System
Witness: X-it programme

CULTURE, MEDIA AND SPORT
Subject: Caring for our collections
Witnesses: Tyne & Wear Museums, Yorkshire Regional Museums Hub, York Museums Trust, Sheffield Galleries and Museums Trust; The Association of Independent Museums, The National Trust, The Wordsworth Trust; Oxford University Museums, and The University Museums Group

DEFENCE
Subject: Defence Industrial Strategy: Update
Witnesses: Lord Drayson, Minister for Defence Procurement, and Ministry of Defence and department of trade and Industry officials
WELSH AFFAIRS
Subject: Orders in Council
Witnesses: Mr Nick Ainger MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, and Mr John Williams, Deputy Director, Wales Office, and Jane Hutt AM, Minister for Assembly Business, and Dr Hugh Rawlings, Head of Constitutional Affairs, Welsh Assembly Government; Rt Hon Lord Dafydd Elis-Thomas AM, Presiding Officer, National Assembly for Wales; Jennifer Randerson AM, Chair, Standing Orders Committee, National Assembly for Wales

Monday 8 January

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
Subject: Modernisation of the West Coast Mainline
Witnesses: Mike Mitchell, Director General for Railways, Department for Transport, John Armitt, Chief Executive, Network Rail and Bill Emery, Chief Executive, Office of Rail Regulation

Joint Committee

HUMAN RIGHTS
Subject: The Treatment of Asylum Seekers
Witnesses: The Office of the Children’s Commissioner for England, The Children’s Society and Save the Children; HM Inspectorate of Prisons, Amnesty International and Bail for Immigration Detainees

Tuesday 9 January

HOME AFFAIRS
Subject: Justice and Home Affairs issues at European Union Level
Witnesses: JUSTICE and the Law Society; Association of Chief Police Officers, Joint Operational Authority, Serious and Organised Crime Agency and Europol

CULTURE, MEDIA AND SPORT
Subject: Caring for our collections

TRADE AND INDUSTRY
Subject: Trade and Investment Opportunities with Mercosur (the Common Market of the Southern Cone)
Witness: CBI

Wednesday 10 January

EDUCATION AND SKILLS
Subject: The Bologna Process
Witnesses: Universities UK (UUK), UK Higher Education Europe Unit, Professor Lord May of Oxford, OM; Quality Assurance Agency (QAA), and Professor Ella Ritchie, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Newcastle University

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
Subject: Space Policy
Witnesses: Dr David Williams, British National Space Centre (BNSC), Miss Paula Freedman, DTI Space within BNSC, and Dr Arwyn Davies, Earth Observation at BNSC and Natural Environment Research Council; Professor Keith Mason, Particle Physics and Astronomy Research Council, Professor Richard Holdaway, Council for the Central Laboratory of the Research Councils, and Air Vice-Marshal Chris Moran OBE, Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Ministry of Defence

TREASURY SUB-COMMITTEE
Subject: Debt Management Office Report and Accounts 2005–06
Witnesses: Debt Management Office officials
TRANSPORT
Subject: Transport for the London 2012 Olympic Games: The Draft Transport Plan
Witness: The Olympic Delivery Authority (ODA)

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
Subject: Reducing reliance on landfill
Witness: Helen Ghosh, Permanent Secretary, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS
Subject: Climate change: the “citizen’s agenda”
Witness: Alan Simpson MP

Thursday 11 January

DEFENCE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS
Subject: Iraq
Witnesses: Rt Hon Margaret Beckett MP, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, and Rt Hon Des Browne MP, Secretary of State for Defence
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Monday 15 January

WORK AND PENSIONS 4.15 p.m. 8
Subject: Jobcentre Plus
Witnesses: Lesley Strathie, Chief Executive; Malcolm Whitehouse, IS/IT Director, and Neil Couling, Benefits and Fraud Director, Jobcentre Plus

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS* 4.30 p.m. 15
Subject: Tackling anti-social behaviour
Witnesses: Sir David Normington KCB, Permanent Secretary and Louise Casey, Government Co-ordinator for the Respect Task Force, Home Office

COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT 4.40 p.m. The Grimond Room, Portcullis House
Subject: Supply of Rented Housing
Witnesses: Confederation of Co-operative Housing; Tenants’ and Residents’ Organisations of England (TAROE); National Federation of Tenant Management Organisations (NFTMO); Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council (at 5.10 p.m.); Westminster City Council (at 5.30 p.m.); North West Housing Forum (at 5.50 p.m.)

Tuesday 16 January

CROSSRAIL BILL 10.00 a.m. 5

HOME AFFAIRS * 10.15 a.m. The Wilson Room, Portcullis House
Subject: Young Black People and the Criminal Justice System
Witnesses: Professor Gus John, Gus John Partnership, and Dr Tony Sewell, Generating Genius Programme; Sukhvinder Stubbs, Barrow Cadbury Trust, and Marc Edwards, The Young Disciples (at 11.15 a.m.)

ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT 10.20 a.m. 15
Subject: The Stern Report and Pre-Budget Report 2006
Witness: Sir Nicholas Stern, Head of the Government Economics Service

DEFENCE* 10.30 a.m. The Grimond Room, Portcullis House
Subject: The Future of the UK’s Strategic Nuclear Deterrent: The White Paper
Witnesses: Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, Nuclear Information Service, Aldermaston Women’s Peace Campaign, and Scottish Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT 10.30 a.m. 16
Subject: Water and Sanitation
Witnesses: British Geological Survey, WWF-UK, and Dr Declan Conway, University of East Anglia

TRADE AND INDUSTRY 10.30 a.m. The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House
Subject: Future of UK manufacturing
Witnesses: CBI, Amicus
WELSH AFFAIRS
Subject: Energy in Wales: Follow-up
Witnesses: Lord Truscott, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Brian Morris, Head of Carbon Abatement Technologies, Clare Harding, and Rachel Crisp, Assistant Directors, Energy Technologies Unit, Department of Trade and Industry; Peter Harper, Head of Research, and James Cass, Funding and Development Co-ordinator, Centre for Alternative Technology (at 12 noon).

11.00 a.m.  8

SCOTTISH AFFAIRS
Subject: Poverty in Scotland
Witnesses: Professor Adrian Sinfield, University of Edinburgh, and Professor John Veit-Wilson, Newcastle University

2.15 p.m.  15

CROSSRAIL BILL

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Wednesday 17 January

EDUCATION AND SKILLS
Subject: 14-19 Diplomas
Witnesses: Dr Ken Boston, Chief Executive, Qualifications and Curriculum Authority, Geoff Fieldsend, Director of Workforce Development, Sector Skills Development Agency, Karen Price, Chief Executive, e-Skills, and John Rogers, Chief Executive, Skills for Health

9.30 a.m.  The Wilson Room, Portcullis House

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
Subject: Office of Science and Innovation Scrutiny Report 2006
Witnesses: Malcolm Wicks MP, Minister for Science and Innovation, and Professor Sir Keith O’Nions, Director General for Science and Innovation, Department of Trade and Industry

9.30 a.m.  8

WORK AND PENSIONS
Subject: Child Support Reform
Witnesses: Anne Kazimirski, Research Director, National Centre for Social Research, Professor Steve McKay, University of Birmingham, and Mavis Maclean, Department of Social Policy and Social Work, University of Oxford

9.30 a.m.  The Grimond Room, Portcullis House

CROSSRAIL BILL

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TRANSPORT
Subject: Driver and Vehicle Licensing Northern Ireland
Witnesses: DVLNI, DVLA, and Dr Stephen Ladyman MP, Minister for Transport, Department for Transport

2.45 p.m.  8

PROCEDURE
Subject: Public Petitions
Witnesses: Panel of Members

3.00 p.m.  18

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
Subject: VAT missing trader fraud
Witnesses: Mike Eland CB, Director-General, Enforcement and Compliance, Euan Stewart OBE, Deputy Director, Criminal Investigation and Tony Walker, Missing Trader Intra-Community Fraud Compliance Operations, HM Revenue and Customs

3.30 p.m.  15

CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
Subject: Implementation of the Carter Review of Legal Aid
Witnesses: Lord Carter of Coles, and Legal Services Commission; Law Society and Bar Council (at 5.15 p.m.)

4.15 p.m.  16
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**CROSSRAIL BILL**

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**HEALTH**

Subject: Workforce Planning
Witnesses: Institute of Healthcare Management, NHS Alliance, and Guy’s and St Thomas’ NHS Foundation Trust; Royal College of Pathologists, Chartered Society of Physiotherapists, and Royal College of Midwives (at 11.00 a.m.)

10.00 a.m.  The Wilson Room, Portcullis House

**PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

Subject: Public Services: Putting People First
Witness: Ann Abraham, Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman

10.00 a.m.  The Grimond Room, Portcullis House

**CROSSRAIL BILL**

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TUESDAY 16 JANUARY

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SELECT COMMITTEE
(a) 11.15am (b) 12.15pm
((a) Radioactive Waste Management; & (b) Nuclear Decommissioning Authority)

ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
3.40pm
(Impact of Economic Sanctions)

WEDNESDAY 17 JANUARY

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE D
11.00am
(The Environment Agency)

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE
11.15am
(Rt. Hon. Charles Clarke MP).

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE (II)
3.40pm
(Personal Internet Security)

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE E
4.15pm
(An EU Competition Court)

WEDNESDAY 24 JANUARY

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE D
11.00am
(Rt. Hon. Ian Pearson MP)

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE
11.15am
(Rt. Hon. Lord Mackay of Clashfern; & the Rt. Hon. Lord Lloyd of Berwick).

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SELECT COMMITTEE
3.40pm
(Personal Internet Security)

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE E
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(An EU Competition Court)

THURSDAY 25 JANUARY

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE G
10.00am
(Rt. Hon. Rosie Winterton MP).

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE
11.15am
(Rt. Hon. Lord Mackay of Clashfern; & the Rt. Hon. Lord Lloyd of Berwick.)
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White Papers

None.

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Home Office

IMMIGRATION

Rebuilding confidence in our immigration system: An independent and transparent assessment of immigration
Copies from:
Organised Development Team
Immigration and Nationality Directorate
13th Floor, Apollo House
36 Wellesley Road
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Comments by: 16 February 2007

Trade and Industry

ENTERPRISE

A consultation on a draft Statutory Instrument enabling disclosure of information for civil proceedings under the Enterprise Act 2002
Copies from:
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Comments by: 31 January 2007

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Workplace representatives a review of their facilities and facility time
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www.defra.gov.uk                                                                                                                        |
| 18.12 | The Textile Products (Determination of Composition) Regulations 2006                                                                                                                                       | Rose Newton  
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| 8.1   | Changes to Part B (Fire Safety) of the Building Regulations 2000 (as amended) and Approved Document B                                                                                                   | Ms Tracey Cull  
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| 8.1   | The Official Controls (Animals, Feed and Food) (England) Regulations 2006                                                                                                                                | Stefan Pietrzyk  
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Other Papers

Foreign and Commonwealth Office, The Iraq Reconstruction Service Medal, Cm 7000, ISBN: 010 1700024, £7.50


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(Lab 95; Con 17; LD 9; DU 1; SF 1; UU 1; DCWM 1; Ind Lab 1)
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### Current working Government Majority
(352 Labour MPs less 285 of all other parties – excludes Speaker & Deputies and Sinn Fein)

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