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Budget Statement

The Chancellor of the Exchequer delivered the Budget Statement on Wednesday 21 March 2007

Private Members’ Bill:

The Private Members Bill Ballot took place on Thursday 23rd November 2006

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 rose on Tuesday 19 December 2006 and returned on Monday 8 January 2007

Spring half term recess 2007
The House rose on Thursday 8 February 2007 and returned on Monday 19 February 2007

Easter recess 2007
The House rose on Thursday 29 March 2007 and will 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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Business of the House of Commons
23 – 30 March

Friday 23 March

The House sat at 9.30am

Private Members Bills – Financial Mutuals Arrangements Bill – Sir John Butterfill (Bill read a Second Time); Vehicle Registration Marks Bill – Richard Ottaway (Bill read a Second Time); Cystic Fibrosis (Exemption from Prescription Charges) Bill – Mr John Hayes (Deb adj: Order for 2R:19.10.2007); Termination of Pregnancy Bill – Mrs Nadine Dorries (Order for 2R:19.10.2007); Access to Inland Waterways Bill – Dr Desmond Turner (Order for 2R:18.5.2007); Pedlars (Street Trading Regulation) Bill – Dr Brian Iddon (Order for 2R:27.4.2007); Criminal Law (Amendment) (Protection of Property) Bill – Mr Shailesh Vara (Order for 2R:20.4.2007); Infrastructure Audit (Housing Development) Bill – Mr Francis Maude (Order for 2R:20.4.2007)

Adjournment – Community cohesion and the English language – Mr George Galloway

The House rose at 3.01pm

Monday 26 March

The House sat at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Defence

Business Statement – Leader of the House

Statement – Zimbabwe – Mr McCartney

Debate – continuation of the Budget Debate

Adjournment – NHS provision of IVF treatment – Grant Shapps

The House rose at 10.31pm

Tuesday 27 March

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

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Inland waterways in the West Midlands – Charlotte Atkins
11.00-12.30 Future of the Mines Rescue Service – Willie Rennie
12.30-13.00 Government policy on ticket touting – John Robertson
13.00-13.30 Consular handling of the case of the late Toby Charnaud – Mr James Gray
13.30-14.00 Nuisance from loud audio systems in cars – Dr Tony Wright

The House sat at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Scotland; Communities and Local Government

Bill Presented – Northern Ireland (St. Andrews Agreement) (No. 2) Bill – Mr Peter Hain (Agreed)

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Flexible Working Bill – Lorely Burt (Agreed)

Legislation – Northern Ireland (St. Andrews Agreement) (No. 2) Bill – Second Reading and Remaining Stages (Agreed)

Debate – Budget Resolutions (Agreed)

Bill Presented – Finance Bill – Dawn Primarolo (Agreed)

Adjournment – Enforcement of road traffic debts – Mr Austin Mitchell

The House rose at 1.29am
Wednesday 28 March

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 Small business and the economy – Mr Brian Binley
11.00-11.30 Political developments in the Western Balkans – Mr John Randall
14.30-16.00 Public funding for the theatre – Glenda Jackson
16.00-16.30 Treatment of asylum seekers – Jeremy Corbyn
16.30-17.00 Effect of prisons on crime reduction – Philip Davies

The House sat at 11.30am

Oral Questions – International Development; Prime Minister

Statement – Iranian seizure of Royal Navy personnel – Margaret Beckett

Presentation of Bill – Telecommunications Masts (Planning Control) Bill – Andrew Stunell (Agreed)

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Employment Assistance (Wales) – Wayne David (Agreed)

Motions – relating to House of Commons Business:
  i) Communications Allowance (Agreed);
  ii) ii) Notices of Questions during September (Agreed);
  iii) iii) Select Committees (Reports) (Agreed);
  iv) iv) Parliamentary Contributory Pension Fund (Agreed)

Motion – to approve the Draft Gambling (Geographical Distribution of Casino Premises Licences) Order 2007 (Agreed on Division)

Adjournment – Ambulance coverage in the Forest of Dean – Mr Mark Harper

The House rose at 7.33pm

Thursday 29 March

The House sat at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Treasury

Urgent Question – Home Office restructuring – David Davis

Business Statement – Leader of the House

Motion – on the Easter recess adjournment

Adjournment – Housing in Northampton – Ms Sally Keeble

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

Westminster Hall – No debate

The House rose at 5.32 pm for Easter recess

Friday 30 March

The House did not be sit
Written Ministerial Statements
23 – 30 March 2007

23.3.2007 ECOFIN – Mr. Gordon Brown
23.3.2007 Human Trafficking – Mr. Vernon Coaker
23.3.2007 EU Development Ministers’ Informal Meeting (Bonn) – Hilary Benn
23.3.2007 Food Safety Promotion Board – Paul Goggins
26.3.2007 ECOFIN – Mr. Gordon Brown
26.3.2007 Valuation Office Agency – Dawn Primarolo
26.3.2007 Low-level Radioactive Waste Management – Ian Pearson
26.3.2007 North/South Implementation bodies and Tourism Ireland Limited – Mr. Peter Hain
26.3.2007 European Summit (24-25 March) – Mr. Tony Blair
26.3.2007 Royal Mail – Mr. Alistair Darling
26.3.2007 Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations – Malcolm Wicks
26.3.2007 School Initiatives Grant – Mr. Douglas Alexander
27.3.2007 Local Government – Mr Phil Woolas
27.3.2007 Compensation Act – Bridget Prentice
27.3.2007 Chemical Protection Programme – Mr Adam Ingram
27.3.2007 Defence Medical Services – Derek Twigg
27.3.2007 Agriculture and Fisheries Council – David Miliband
27.3.2007 Correction to Oral answer – Dr Kim Howells
27.3.2007 Modernising Medical Careers – Ms Patricia Hewitt
27.3.2007 Driver, Vehicle and Operator Group and Government car despatch Agency – Dr Stephen Ladyman
27.3.2007 Highways Agency – Dr Stephen Ladyman
27.3.2007 Child Poverty – Mr John Hutton
27.3.2007 Households Below Average Income – Mr John Hutton
27.3.2007 Housing Benefit (Antisocial Behaviour Sanctions) – Mr James Plaskitt
27.3.2007 Depleted Uranium Oversight Board – Derek Twigg
28.3.2007 Financial Inclusion – Ed Balls
28.3.2007 Leasing Business Premises (Code of Practice) – Yvette Cooper
28.3.2007  Her Majesty’s Land Registry – Vera Baird
28.3.2007  Agency Changes – Mr. Adam Ingram
28.3.2007  Deepcut Review - Mr. Adam Ingram
28.3.2007  14-19 Education and Skills (Diploma Gateway Process) – Jim Knight
28.3.2007  NHS Resource Accounting and Budgeting Regime – Ms Patricia Hewitt
28.3.2007  Securing the UK Border – Mr. Liam Byrne
28.3.2007  MP’s and Peer’s Correspondence – Hilary Armstrong
28.3.2007  St. Andrews Summit – Mr. Peter Hain
28.3.2007  Revenue and Customs Prosecution Office (Statutory Charging) – Mr. Mike O’Brien
28.3.2007  Christmas Hamper Savings Scheme – Mr. Ian McCartney
28.3.2007  European Transport Council – Mr. Douglas Alexander
28.3.2007  Highway Code – Dr. Stephen Ladyman
28.3.2007  Highways Agency – Parliamentary Questions – Corrections – Dr. Stephen Ladyman
28.3.2007  Social Fund Allocations – Mr. James Plaskitt
28.3.2007  Agency Targets and Business Plans – Mr. John Hutton
28.3.2007  Occupational Pensions – Mr. John Hutton
29.3.2007  United kingdom Coins 2008 – Mr Gordon Brown
29.3.2007  Compact on Relations between Government and the Voluntary and Community Sector – Edward Miliband
29.3.2007  Civil Service Fast Stream Recruitment 2006 – Mr Pat McFadden
29.3.2007  Permitted Development Rights for Householder Microgeneration - Yvette Cooper
29.3.2007  Council Tax – Mr Phil Woolas
29.3.2007  Future for Building Control – Angela E Smith
29.3.2007  Government Response to the All-Party Inquiry into Anti-Semitism – Mr Phil Woolas
29.3.2007  High Leaseholder Major Works Bills – Yvette Cooper
29.3.2007  Local Area Agreements across England and the Future of LAAs – Mr Phil Woolas
29.3.2007  Her Majesty’s Courts Service Key Performance Indicators 2007-08* - Ms Harriet Harman
29.3.2007  Oxfordshire Inquests – Ms Harriet Harman
29.3.2007  Freedom of Information Act/Data Protection Regulations – Vera Baird
29.3.2007  Return of Bisher Al-Rawi – Margaret Beckett
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16 – 20 April

Monday 16 April

The House will sit at 2.30pm

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

Legislation – Mental Health [HL] Bill – Second Reading

Adjournment – Tourism in Bedfordshire – Mrs Nadine Dorries

Tuesday 17 April

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

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Mental illness and the NHS – Dr Vincent Cable
11.00-12.30 Integration and cohesion in the UK – Mr Paul Goodman
12.30-13.00 Procurement of BAE Systems products by the UK armed forces – Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger
13.00-13.30 Funding early intervention from the Comprehensive Spending Review – Mr Graham Allen
13.30-14.00 Treatment of macular degeneration – Sir George Young

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Transport; Constitutional Affairs

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Planning (Consultation) Bill – Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger

Debate – Opposition Day (8th allotted day). There will be a debate on an Opposition Motion. Subject to be announced

Adjournment – Financial education in schools and colleges – Mr Phil Willis

Wednesday 18 April

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 Local government structure in Lancashire – Kitty Ussher
11.00-11.30 Sea Cadets – Chris Bryant
14.30-16.00 Housing targets for Hertfordshire – Anne Main
16.00-16.30 Future of Broomhill Bank special needs school – Greg Clark
16.30-17.00 Local government reform in Cornwall – Mr Colin Breed

The House will sit at 11.30am

Oral Questions – Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster; Deputy Prime Minister Prime Minister

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Childcare Provision (Wales) Bill – Chris Bryant

Legislation – Pensions Bill – Remaining Stages

Adjournment – Ground handling of aircraft at London Gatwick Airport – Laura Moffatt
Thursday 19 April

The House will sit at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Motion – to take note of the outstanding reports of the Public Accounts committee to which the Government has replied

Debate – a debate on Marine environment on a Motion for the adjournment of the House

Adjournment – Welfare of dogs – Andrew Rosindell

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


Friday 20 April

The House will sit at 9.30am

Private Members Bills – Freedom of Information (Amendment) Bill – David Maclean (Rep); Waging War (Parliament’s Role and Responsibility) Bill – Mr Michael Meacher (2R); Local Planning Authorities (Energy and Energy Efficiency) Bill – Mr Martin Caton (2R); Light Bulb (Regulation) Bill – John Barrett (2R); Criminal Law (Amendment) (Protection of Property) Bill – Mr Shailesh Vara (2R); Infrastructure Audit (Housing Development) Bill – Mr Francis Maude (2R)

Adjournment – Elder abuse – Mr Paul Burstow
Provisional Forthcoming Business of the House of Commons
23 – 27 April

Monday 23 April

The House will sit at 2.30pm

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

**Legislation** – Finance Bill – Second Reading

**Adjournment** – Balanced and sustainable communities – Mr David Amess

Tuesday 24 April

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** – Health

**Ten Minute Rule Bill** – Statutory Instruments Act 1946 (Amendment) Bill – Barbara Keeley

**Debate** – Opposition Day (9th allotted day). There will be a debate on an Opposition Motion. Subject to be announced

**Adjournment** – *

Wednesday 25 April

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** – Northern Ireland; Prime Minister

**Ten Minute Rule Bill** – Statutory Instruments Act 1946 (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill – Mr Christopher Chope

**Motions** – i) relating to Crossrail; ii) opposed Private Business for consideration

**Adjournment** – *
Thursday 26 April

*The House will sit at 10.30am*

**Oral Questions** – Education and Skills; Solicitor General

**Debate** – a debate on defence in the UK on a Motion for the adjournment of the House

**Adjournment** – *

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

**Westminster Hall** – a debate on the Report from the Transport Committee: ‘How Fair are the Fares? Train Fares and Ticketing’

Friday 27 April

*The House will sit at 9.30am*

**Private Members Bills** – Electric Shock Training Devices Bill – Sarah McCarthy-Fry (2R); Health and Safety (Offences) Bill – Mr Wayne David (2R); Cluster Munitions (Prohibition) Bill [HL] Mr Martin Caton (2R); Housing Association (Rights and Representation of Residents) Bill – Emily Thornberry (2R); Streetscape and Highways Design Bill – Mr Alan Duncan (2R); Pedlars (Street Trading Regulation) Bill – Dr Brian Iddon (2R)

**Adjournment** – *

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Forthcoming Business of the House of Lords
16 – 20 April

Monday 16 April (2.30pm)

Oral questions – Lord Fowler to ask Her Majesty’s Government how they assess the success of their policies to prevent HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases; Lord Dykes to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether adequate progress is being made in the creation of a common energy policy for the European Union; Lord Campbell-Savours to ask Her Majesty’s Government what research they are undertaking into the issue of the denial of anonymity for men in the event of false rape allegations; Baroness Miller of Hendon to ask Her Majesty’s Government what oversight exists of (a) the advice given by the Prime Minister on the exercise of the Royal Prerogative; and (b) the exercise of the Prime Minister’s executive powers

Legislation – Parliament (Joint Departments) (Report Stage); Legal Services Bill [HL] (Report stage 1st day).

Question for short debate – What policies are being adopted regarding the situation in Zimbabwe? (L. Blaker).

Tuesday 17 April (2.30pm)

Oral questions – Lord Dubs to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking, either directly or with their international partners, to help the governments of Serbia and Lebanon to locate and clear cluster bombs and cluster munitions on their respective territories; Lord Lee of Trafford to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether Visit Britain has the appropriate resources to exploit fully the 2012 Olympics tourism opportunity; Lord Blaker to ask Her Majesty’s Government what further steps the Middle East Quartet plan to take to secure peace between Israel and the Palestinians

Legislation – Piped Music etc. (Hospitals) Bill [HL] (Committee stage); Offender Management Bill (Second reading).


Wednesday 18 April (3.00pm)

Oral questions – Lord Ezra to ask Her Majesty’s Government how they propose to reduce carbon emissions from power stations following the European Union climate change agreement on 9 March 2007; Lord Berkeley to ask Her Majesty’s Government what proportion of the light dues payable by ships entering United Kingdom ports represents a subsidy to support the maintenance of lights in the Republic of Ireland; Lord Sheikh to ask Her Majesty’s Government how much was spent on flood management and defence in 1997 and 2006; and how much capital was invested in preventative measures in those years

Legislation – Legal Services Bill [HL] (Report stage 2nd day).

Question for short debate – What advice will be sought in formulating a response to the Chief Medical Officer’s report, Good Doctors, Safer Patients? (L. Turnberg).
Thursday 19 April (11.00am)

**Oral questions** – Baroness Gardner of Parkes to ask Her Majesty’s Government how many dentists are now providing National Health Service dental care under the General Dental Services contract introduced in 2006; how much has been spent by primary care trusts on primary dental care provided by general practitioners since then; and how much has been generated in patient charge revenues towards funding this care; Lord Laming to ask Her Majesty’s Government when they expect to replace the obsolete buildings which currently accommodate the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital at Stanmore; Lord Turnberg to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to support initiatives, such as Hand in Hand schools in Israel, which bring together children from the Arab and Jewish communities to encourage greater tolerance and understanding between them.

**Debates** – On the position in British society of those who profess no religion (L. Harrison); The economic impact of higher education institutions (B. Warwick of Undercliffe); The Report of the European Union Select Committee on the EU Strategy on Biofuels: from field to fuel (L. Sewel).

Friday 20 April (11.00am)

**Legislation** – Victims of Overseas Terrorism Bill [HL] (Second reading); Alcohol Labelling Bill [HL] (Second reading).
Provisional Future Business of the House of Lords  
23 – 27 April

Monday 23 April (2.30pm)

Oral questions – Baroness Williams of Crosby to ask Her Majesty’s Government what proportion of (a) eligible working families, (b) single parents and (c) old age pensioners claim tax credits; Lord Quirk to ask Her Majesty’s Government what action they are taking or planning to take in response to the recent Languages Review by Lord Dearing and Dr Lid King. Lord James of Blackheath to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they still intend to use Hackney Marshes as a VIP car park during the 2012 London Olympic Games; and, if so, what proportion of the football pitches will be affected and what alternative facilities will be provided for the youth of Hackney; Lord Clement-Jones to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether new guidance for local authorities on the administration of the Blue Badge Scheme will include provision to allow for the blue badge to be extended to people with autism.


Question for short debate – What measures are being taken to help provide homes for homeless and overcrowded families (L. Dubs).

Tuesday 24 April (2.30pm)

Introductions – Baroness Cousins and Dame Jane Campbell.

Oral questions – Lord Rosser to ask Her Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the availability of water supplies to meet anticipated demand during the rest of 2007. Earl Howe to ask Her Majesty’s Government what account they have taken of whole life costs of procurement in the Department of Health’s consultation on Arrangements for the remuneration of services relating to appliances under Part IX of the Drug Tariff in the light of the price cuts proposed therein. Baroness Emerton to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether the multi-professional education and training allocation to strategic health authorities for 2007-08 which has been increased by 3.6 per cent will be protected.

Legislation – Disabled Persons (Independent Living) [HL] (third reading); Statistics and Registration Bill (Committee stage 1st day).

Question for short debate – What action is being taken to combat AIDS across the world and its effects on children (B. Northover).

Wednesday 25 April (3.00pm)

Oral questions – Lord Tomlinson to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they have assessed the extent to which the report and recommendations by the Joint Committee on Conventions, Conventions of the United Kingdom Parliament (HL Paper 265, Session 2006-07), endorsed by both Houses of Parliament, are being observed; Baroness Stern to ask Her Majesty’s Government what plans they have to handle mentally ill people in prison, in light of the Prime Minister’s review of the criminal justice system; Baroness Sharples to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether the armed forces have all the equipment they need to minimise casualties in armed conflict.

Legislation – Serious Crime Bill [HL] (Report stage 1st day); Forced Marriage (Civil Protection) Bill [HL] (Grand Committee stage 1st day – Moses Room, 3.45pm).

Thursday 26 April (11.00am)

Introduction – Lord Hameed.

Oral questions – Lord Palmer to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to reverse the rise in the number of pensioners and low-income families experiencing fuel poverty; Baroness Hanham to ask Her Majesty’s Government, further to the statement that they intend to bring forward primary legislation to require signatures in polling stations, when such legislation will be introduced; Lord Bradshaw to ask Her Majesty’s Government what representations they have received about the withdrawal of saver fares on the railways.

Legislation – Transport for London (Supplemental Toll Provisions) Bill [HL] (Second reading); London Local Authorities Bill [HL] (Third reading); Greater London Authority Bill (Grand Committee stage 1st day – Moses Room, 2.00pm).

Debates –

Delegated legislation – Community Drivers’ Hours and Recording Equipment Regulations 2007 – Motion for approval.

Friday 27 April

The House will not be sitting
### Legislation – General Notes

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### 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)
- **Prog** 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.

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

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CORPORATE MANSLAUGHTER AND CORPORATE HOMICIDE (G)  
John Reid/Baroness Scotland  
(introduced in session 2005-06 and carried over to session 2006-07)  
Commons: (220, 236, 2005-06) 1R: 20.7.2006 2R: 10.10.2006 Prog: 10.10.2006  
Comm (SC B): 19, 24, 26 & 31.10.2006  
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CORRUPTION [HL] (L)  
Lords: (18) 1R: 29.11.2006 2R: 16.3.2007  
Prov Comm: 18.4.2007  
CRIMINAL LAW (AMENDMENT) (PROTECTION OF PROPERTY) (B12)  
Mr Shailesh Vara  
Commons: (28) 1R: 13.12.2006  
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CROSSRAIL (HYBRID BILL) (G)  
Douglas Alexander  
(introduced in session 2004-05, carried over to session 2005-06, carried over to session 2006-07)  
Commons: (62, 2004-05) 1R: 22.2.2005 CO: 7.4.2005  
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CROWN EMPLOYMENT (NATIONALITY) (P)  
Andrew Dismore  
Commons: (38) 1R: 18.12.2006  
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Mr John Hayes  
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PBC: 16.1.2007  
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DISABLED CHILDREN (FAMILY SUPPORT) (B4)  
Mr Gary Streeter  
Commons: (20) 1R: 13.12.2006 2R: 23.2.2007 (1) (Deb adj)  
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DISABLED PERSONS (INDEPENDENT LIVING) [HL] (L)  
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Sarah McCarthy-Fry  
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Mr Wayne David  
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John Robertson  
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ENERGY SAVING (DAYLIGHT) (B2)  
Mr Tim Yeo  
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Sir John Butterfill

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Lord Lester of Herne Hill

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INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONTRACTS (PROVISION OF INFORMATION) (T)     Dr John Pugh
Commons: (49)  1R: 23.1.2007 (not printed)  2R: 23.3.2007 (Order for 2R lapsed)  Prov 2R: No date

INVESTMENT EXCHANGES AND CLEARING HOUSES (G)     Gordon Brown/Lord McKensie
3R: 28.11.2006
Royal Assent: 19.12.2006 (Ch.55)  INVESTMENT EXCHANGES AND CLEARING HOUSES ACT 2006

JUSTICE AND SECURITY (NORTHERN IRELAND) (G)     Peter Hain/Lord Rooker

LAND USE (GARDENS PROTECTION ETC) (B3)     Mrs Caroline Spelman
Commons: (19)  1R: 13.12.2006  2R: 2.2.2007 (Deb adj)  Prov 2R: No date

LEASEHOLD INFORMATION [HL] (L)     Lord Redesdale
Lords: (38)  1R: 1.2.2007  Prov 2R: No date

LEGAL SERVICES [HL] (G)     Lord Falconer of Thoroton
Lords: (9, 50)  1R: 23.11.2006  2R: 6.12.2006  Comm: 9, 22, 23.1; 6, 21.2 & 6.3.2007
Prov Rep: 16.4.2007

LIGHT BULB (REGULATION) (P)     John Barrett
Commons: (69)  1R: 28.2.2007 (not printed)  Prov 2R: 20.4.2007 (4)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH (G)     Ruth Kelly
PBC: 30.1; 1, 6, 20, 22 & 27.2; 1, 6 & 8.3.2007  Prov Rep: No date

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

MENTAL HEALTH [HL] (G)     Lord Warner
Lords: (1, 34, 45)  1R: 16.11.2006  2R: 28.11.2006  Comm: 8, 10, 15, 17 & 29.1.2007
3R: 6.3.2007
Commons (76)  1R: 7.3.2007  Prov 2R: 16.4.2007

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CLINICAL EXCELLENCE (IMPACT ON CARERS) (T)     Greg Clark
Commons (59)  1R: 7.2.2007 (not printed)  Prov 2R: 15.6.2007 (4)

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

NORTHERN IRELAND (ST ANDREWS AGREEMENT) (No.2) (G)     Mr Peter Hain/ Lord Rooker
Commons: (84)  1R: 27.3.2007  2R: 27.3.2007  Prog: 27.3.2007  Comm: 27.3.2007  RS: 27.3.2007
Lords:  1R: 27.3.2007  2R: 27.3.2007  RS: 27.3.2007
Royal Assent: 27.3.2007 (Ch.4)  NORTHERN IRELAND (ST ANDREWS AGREEMENT) ACT 2007

OFFENDER MANAGEMENT (G)     John Reid
Lords: (47)  1R: 1.3.2007  Prov 2R: 17.4.2007

OFF-ROAD VEHICLES (REGISTRATION) (B5)     Graham Stringer
Commons: (21)  1R: 13.12.2007  2R: 2.3.2007 (1)  Prov Comm: No date

PALLIATIVE CARE [HL] (L)     Baroness Finlay of Llandaff
Lords: (4)  1R: 16.11.2006  2R: 23.2.2007  OCD: 28.3.2007  Prov 3R: No date
PARLIAMENT (JOINT DEPARTMENTS) [HL] (G)

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PROTECTION OF LISTED VEHICLES (T)
Commons: (44) 1R: 10.1.2007 (not printed) 2R: 2.2.2007 (Order for 2R lapsed) Prov 2R: No date

PROVISION OF PALLIATIVE CARE (P)
Commons: (40) 1R: 18.12.2006 Prov 2R: 15.6.2007 (6)

PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS (REPEALS) [HL] (L)
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SAFEGUARDING RUNAWAY AND MISSING CHILDREN (T)
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Baroness Amos
Lord Baker of Dorking
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Mr Frank Field
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TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY (P)  
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Mrs Nadine Dorries  
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TRADE UNION RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS (B16)  
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John McDonnell  
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Prov 2R: 5.3.2007  
Prov Rep: No date

UK BORDERS BILL (G)  
Commons: (53, 82) 1R: 25.1.2007  
John Reid  
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VICTIMS OF OVERSEAS TERRORISM [HL] (L)  
Lords: (23) 1R: 19.12.2006  
Lord Brennan  
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Mr Michael Meacher  
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WELFARE REFORM (G)  
Mr John Hutton/Lord McKenzie of Luton  
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Commons: (208, 2005-06) 1R: 4.7.2006  
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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](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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* an instruction to the committee will be moved at the same time

# Bills with petitions outstanding

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: prbhooc@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

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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](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 30 March 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](http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmsilist/cmsilist.htm).

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

### Proposals for Draft Orders

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Northern Ireland Legislation: proceedings as at 30 March 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.

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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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- Mr David Anderson
- Lyn Brown
- Lorely Burt
- Mr Tom Clarke
- Mrs Anne Cryer
- James Duddridge
- Mr Tobias Ellwood
- Mr David Gauke
- Mrs Sharon Hodgson
- Susan Kramer
- Steve McCabe
- Mr Ian McCartney
- Stephen Pound
- Mr Mark Prisk
- Mr Neil Turner
- Mr Ben Wallace
- Mr Tom Watson

**Vehicle Registration Marks Bill**

Chairman: Derek Conway

- Mr Russell Brown
- Mary Creagh
- Mr Philip Dunne
- Linda Gilroy
- Dr Brian Iddon
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- Dr Stephen Ladyman
- Mr Jim McGovern
- Richard Ottoway
- Mr Owen Paterson
- John Robertson
- Andrew Rosindell
- Paul Rowen
- Jim Sheridan
- Mr Andy Slaughter
- Sir Robert Smith
- Derek Wyatt
General Committee Meetings
26 – 29 March

Monday 26 March

1st DLC

2nd DLC
Draft Jobseeker’s Allowance (Jobseeker Mandatory Activity) Pilot Regulations 2007

3rd DLC
Draft Immigration and Nationality (Fees) Regulations 2007

Tuesday 27 March

PBC
Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Bill [HL] (7th & 8th Sittings; Clauses 129-144 and Schedules 22 & 23 agreed)

ESC
EU Document No. 5154/07 and Addenda 1 & 2 relating to the Emissions Trading Scheme: Inclusion of Aviation

4th DLC

Wednesday 28 March

5th DLC

Thursday 29 March

None
Forthcoming General Committee Meetings
16 – 19 April

Monday 16 April
None

Tuesday 17 April
PBC
Consumers, Estate Agents and Redress Bill [HL], 10.30am & 4.00pm, Room 11
1st DLC

Wednesday 18 April
PBC
Sustainable Communities Bill, 10.00am & 2.00pm, Room 10
PBC
Financial Mutualls Arrangements Bill, 9.30am, Room 9
2nd DLC
Draft Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (Amendment of Section 76 (3) Order 2007, 2.30pm, Room 12
3rd DLC
Draft Community Legal Service (Asylum and Immigration Appeals) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 and the Draft Legal Aid (Asylum and Immigration Appeals) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2007, 2.30pm, Room 11

Thursday 19 April
PBC
Consumers, Estate Agents and Redress Bill [HL], 9.00am & 1.00pm, Room 11

Please note: The time and location of general committee meetings may be changed at short notice. This list is correct as at press (12 noon Friday). Recorded information about forthcoming select and general committee meetings over the next two sitting days is available on Tel: 020 7219 2033. Further enquiries may be made to the Committee Office general enquiry lines, Tel: 020 7219 3267/4300/0284
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Membership:

Environmental Audit
Emily Thornberry discharged; Mr Shahid Malik added

Public Accounts
Sarah McCarthy- Fry discharged; Derek Wyatt added

Finance & Services
Mr Eric Martlew discharged; Mary Creagh added
Select Committee Meetings
26 – 29 March

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**Monday 26 March**

**EDUCATION AND SKILLS**
Subject: Post-16 Skills
Witnesses: Graham Moore OBE, Principal, Stoke on Trent Colleges and Treasurer of the 157 Group, Mariane Cavalli, Principal, Croydon College and John Stone, Chief Executive, Learning and Skills Network; Protocol Skills and Training and VT Education and Skills

**TREASURY**
Subject: 2007 Budget
Witnesses: Robert Chote, Institute of Fiscal Studies, Professor David Miles, Morgan Stanley, Bridget Rosewell, Volterra Consulting, and Martin Weale, National Institute of Economic and Social Research; Professor Colin Talbot, Manchester Business School, and John Whiting, PriceWaterhouseCoopers

**PUBLIC ACCOUNTS**
Subject: Estimating and monitoring the costs of building roads in England
Witnesses: Sir David Rowlands KCB, Permanent Secretary, Department for Transport and Archie Robertson, Chief Executive, Highways Agency

**JOINT COMMITTEE**

**JOINT COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS**
Subject: The human rights of older persons in healthcare
Witnesses: Healthcare Commission; Commission for Social Care Inspection; National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence

**Tuesday 27 March**

**TREASURY**
Subject: The February 2007 Inflation Report
Witnesses: Mervyn King, Governor of the Bank of England, Rachel Lomax and Sir John Gieve, Deputy Governors, and Kate Barker and Dr Andrew Sentance, External Monetary Policy Committee Members, Bank of England

**HOME AFFAIRS**
Subject: Knife Crime
Witness: Mr Vernon Coaker MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Home Office

**DEFENCE**
Subject: UK operations in Afghanistan
Witnesses: Dr Shirin Akiner, The Hon Gilbert Greenall CBE, and Norine MacDonald QC; Robert Fox, Rory Stewart, and Dr Michael Williams

**INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**
Subject: Fair trade and development
Witnesses: Professor Douglas Holt, Said Business School, University of Oxford and Sheila Page, Overseas Development Institute; Trades Union Congress; and Traidcraft

**TRADE AND INDUSTRY**
Subject: Recent Developments with Airbus
Witnesses: Airbus UK; Society of British Aerospace Companies
Wednesday 28 March

EDUCATION AND SKILLS
Subject: Post-16 Skills
Witnesses: Remploy and Crisis

TREASURY
Subject: The 2007 Budget
Witnesses: Nick Macpherson, Permanent Secretary, Mark Neale, Managing Director, Budget, Tax and Welfare, John Kingman, Managing Director, Public Services and Growth, Dave Ramsden, Macroeconomics and Fiscal Policy and Sarah Mullen, Director, Public Spending, HM Treasury, and John Oughton, Chief Executive, Office of Government Commerce

WORK AND PENSIONS
Subject: Department for Work and Pensions Autumn Performance Report
Witness: Leigh Lewis, Permanent Secretary, Department for Work and Pensions

CROSSRAIL BILL

MODERNISATION OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS
Subject: Strengthening the role of the backbencher and making better use of non-legislative time
Witnesses: John Bercow MP, Andrew Dismore MP, and Martin Salter MP

EUROPEAN SCRUTINY
Subject: Draft Council Framework Decision on the transfer of prisoners
Witness: Joan Ryan MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Home Office

TRANSPORT
Subject: Passengers’ Experience of Air Travel
Witnesses: Air Transport Users’ Council; TWGU, Amicus

PROCEDURE
Subject: Written Parliamentary Questions
Witnesses: David Drew MP, Oliver Heald MP, and David Laws MP

Thursday 29 March

TREASURY
Subject: The 2007 Budget
Witnesses: Rt Hon Gordon Brown MP, Chancellor of the Exchequer and HM Treasury officials
Forthcoming Select Committee Meetings
16 – 19 April

Monday 16 April

ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS: BRITISH WATERWAYS SUB-COMMITTEE
Subject: British Waterways
Witnesses: Steve Davis, Paul Woollam and Sir Adrian Stott Bt; Simon Robbins, Del Brenner and John Keyes (at 2:40pm); Nicholas MacWhirter, Richard Clements and Ms Cathy Cooke (at 3:20pm); The Waterways Trust (at 4:00pm)
2:00pm The Cory Room, National Waterways Museum, Gloucester

TRANSPORT
Subject: The Eddington Transport Study
Witness: Sir Rod Eddington
4:00pm Committee Room 8, Palace of Westminster

COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
Subject: The Supply of Rented Housing
Witness: Bob Young, Chief Executive Officer, Local Space Ltd
4:40pm The Grimond Room, Portcullis House

Tuesday 17 April

CULTURE, MEDIA AND SPORT AND TRADE AND INDUSTRY
Subject: Annual Plan 2007-08
Witness: Ofcom
10:00am The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House

HOME AFFAIRS
Subject: Towards Effective Sentencing
Witness: Rt Hon Lord Woolf
10:15am The Grimond Room, Portcullis House

ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT
Subject: Beyond Stern: Forecasting, Cost-Effectiveness and Climate Change
Witnesses: EEF and Business Council for Sustainable Development - UK; Aviation Environment Federation (at 11:00am)
10:20am Committee Room 8, Palace of Westminster

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Subject: Fair trade and development
Witnesses: Gareth Thomas MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department for International Development, and officials
10:45am Committee Room 16, Palace of Westminster

CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
Subject: Accommodation for the new Supreme Court
Witnesses: Adam Wilkinson, Secretary, SAVE Britain’s Heritage, and Dr Kathryn Ferry, Senior Architectural Adviser, The Victorian Society; Rt Hon Lord Falconer of Thoroton QC, Secretary of State and Lord Chancellor, Department for Constitutional Affairs (at 4:45pm)
4:15pm The Grimond Room, Portcullis House

Wednesday 18 April

EDUCATION AND SKILLS
Subject: 14–19 Diplomas
Witness: Rt Hon Alan Johnson MP, Secretary of State for Education and Skills
9:30am The Wilson Room, Portcullis House

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
Subject: Space Policy
Witnesses: Malcolm Wicks MP, Minister for Science and Innovation, Department of Trade and Industry, and Dr David Williams, Director General, British National Space Centre (BNSC)
9:30am Committee Room 8, Palace of Westminster
MODERNISATION OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS
Subject: Strengthening the role of the backbencher and making better use of non-legislative time
Witnesses: Rt Hon Sir Alan Haselhurst MP, Chairman of Ways and Means; Rt Hon Michael Jack MP, Rt Hon Alan Williams MP, Dr Tony Wright MP, and Rt Hon Sir George Young MP (at 10:15am)

NORTHERN IRELAND AFFAIRS
Subject: Political Developments in Northern Ireland
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PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
Subject: Improving Procurement in Further Education colleges in England
Witnesses: Ian Taylor, Director, Centre for Procurement Performance, Department for Education and Skills, and Mark Haysom, Chief Executive, Learning and Skills Council

Joint Committee

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS
Subject: Counter-terrorism Policy and Human Rights
Witness: Tony McNulty MP, Minister for Policing, Security and Community Safety, Home Office

Thursday 19 April

COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
Subject: The Supply of Rented Housing
Witness: Yvette Cooper MP, Minister for Housing and Planning, Department for Communities and Local Government

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
Subject: Putting People First
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TUESDAY 17 APRIL

ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
(a) 3.35pm (b) 4.15pm
Evidence will be heard from (a) Lord Leitch; & (b) Sir Roy Gardner, Chairman, Apprenticeship Ambassadors Network & Compass Group plc; Mr Rod Kenyon OBE, Director, British Gas Engineering Academy; & Mr Martyn Price, Managing Director, CMC Ltd.

REGULATORS COMMITTEE
(a) 4.15pm (b) 5.00pm
Evidence will be heard from (a) a Gas & Electricity Industry Panel; & (b) a Water Industry Panel, witnesses tbc.

WEDNESDAY 18 APRIL

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS
9.00am
Evidence will be heard from Mr Tony McNulty MP

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE C
10.30am
Evidence will be heard from Dr Kim Howells MP

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY SUB-COMMITTEE I
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(Allergy)

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY SUB-COMMITTEE II
3.30pm
(Personal Internet Security)

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE E
4.15pm
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THURSDAY 19 APRIL

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE G
10.00am
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European Communities Documents to be considered
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Total number of seats: 646

Current working Government Majority: 67

The total number of women MPs is 126
(Lab 95; Con 17; LD 9; DU 1; SF 1; UU 1; DCWM 1; Ind Lab 1)
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