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15. Derek Conway
16. Pete Wishart
17. Justine Greening
18. Anne Snelgrove
19. Mr William Cash
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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 2007/08 session:

2008: 25 January, 1, 22 and 29 February, 7 and 14 March, 25 April, 9 and 16 May, 6, 13 and 20 June and 17 October.

Presentation Day

The Private Members Ballot Bills will be presented to the House on Wednesday 5 December 2007

House of Commons Calendar for 2007/2008 session

The Leader of the House has announced the following provisional recess dates for the 2007/2008 session:

Christmas recess 2007
The House will rise on Tuesday 18 December 2007 and return on Monday 7 January 2008

Spring half term recess 2008
The House will rise on Thursday 7 February 2008 and return on Monday 18 February 2008

Easter recess 2008
The House will rise on Thursday 3 April 2008 and return on Monday 21 April 2008

Whitsun recess 2008
The House will rise on Thursday 22 May 2008 and return on Monday 2 June 2008

Summer recess 2008
The House will rise on Tuesday 22 July 2008 and return on Monday 6 October 2008

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The hon. Member representing the House of Commons commission also answers on behalf of the Finance and Services Committee.
The Minister of State for Justice, also answers on behalf of the Lord Chancellor and the Privy Council office.
The Secretary of State for Scotland also answers on behalf of the Advocate General.
The Solicitor General also answers on behalf of the Attorney General.
Business of the House of Commons
19 – 23 November 2007

Monday 19 November

The House sat at 2.30pm

**Oral Questions** – Work and Pensions, including Topical Questions

**Statement** – Northern Rock – Alistair Darling

**Legislation** – European Communities (Finance) Bill – Second reading (Agreed on division)

**Programme motion** – European Communities (Finance) Bill (Agreed)

**Money resolution** – European Communities (Finance) Bill (Agreed)

**Adjournment** – New flight paths into Southampton and Bournemouth airports – Sir George Young

The House rose at 10.50 pm

Tuesday 20 November

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

**Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates** –

09.30-11.00 Children in detention – Ms Diane Abbott
11.00-12.30 Review of local government structure in Norfolk – Mr Keith Simpson
12.30-13.00 Economic development in Falkirk – Eric Joyce
13.00-13.30 Digital broadcasting services in the Forest of Dean – Mr Mark Harper
13.30-14.00 Housing demand in West Ham – Lyn Brown

The House sat at 2.30pm

**Oral Questions** – Foreign and Commonwealth Office, including Topical Questions

**Statement** – HM Revenue and Customs – Alistair Darling

**Legislation** – Channel Tunnel Rail Link Bill (Supplementary Provisions) – Second reading (Agreed)

**Programme motion** – Channel Tunnel Rail Link Bill (Supplementary Provisions) (Agreed)

**Money resolution** – Channel Tunnel Rail Link Bill (Supplementary Provisions) (Agreed)

**Adjournment** – Case of Michael Shields – Mrs Louise Ellman

The House rose at 7.36 pm

Wednesday 21 November

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

**Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates** –

09.30-11.00 Future of the British horse racing industry – Mr Hugo Swire
11.00-11.30 Customs and security at Welsh ports – Mr Stephen Crabb
14.30-16.00 Barnett formula – Graham Stringer
16.00-16.30 Housing in Northampton – Ms Sally Keeble
16.30-17.00 Funding for Dyfed-Powys Police Force – Mark Williams
Thursday 22 November

The House sat at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform, including Topical Questions

Business Statement – Leader of the House

Statement – Pandemic Influenza – Alan Johnson

Topical Debate – Climate change

Legislation – Sale of Student Loans Bill – Second reading

Programme motion – Sale of Student Loans Bill (Agreed)

Money resolution – Sale of Student Loans Bill (Agreed)

Adjournment – Bass minimum landing size – Martin Salter

The House sat in Westminster Hall between 2.30 and 5.30pm

Westminster Hall – Debate on Inter-Parliamentary Union

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26 – 30 November 2007

Monday 26 November

The House will sit at 2.30pm

**Oral Questions** – Home Office, including Topical Questions

**Legislation** – Health and Social Care Bill – Second reading

**Programme motion** – Health and Social Care Bill

**Money resolution** – Health and Social Care Bill

**Motion** – to change membership of Select Committees: Administration; Children, Schools and Families; Health; Northern Ireland Affairs; Regulatory Reform

**Adjournment** – Flying of the Union Flag on Government buildings – Ian Lucas

Tuesday 27 November

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

**Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates** –

- 09.30-11.00 Coal reserves, clean coal technology and energy policy – Mr William Cash
- 11.00-12.30 National Institute of Health and Clinical Excellence and the use of stents – Frank Cook
- 12.30-13.00 Post Office closures – Mr Paul Burstow
- 13.00-13.30 Future of bus services in Preston – Mr Mark Hendrick
- 13.30-14.00 Age related wet eye macular degeneration – Mr Peter Bone

The House will sit at 2.30pm

**Oral Questions** – Communities and Local Government, including Topical Questions

**Legislation** – Housing and Regeneration Bill – Second reading

**Adjournment** – Measures to conserve Lymington Marshes and Lymington Harbour – Mr Desmond Swayne

Wednesday 28 November

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

**Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates** –

- 09.30-11.00 Funding of further education in South Yorkshire – Mr Eric Illsley
- 11.00-11.30 Welfare reform – Ms Karen Buck
- 14.30-16.00 Economic partnership agreements and development – Tony Baldry
- 16.00-16.30 Operation of Heathrow Airport – Mr Mark Field
- 16.30-17.00 HIV/AIDS – Dr Gavin Strang

The House will sit at 11.30am

**Oral Questions** – Scotland; Prime Minister

**Debate** – Opposition Day (2nd allotted day) – i) The Government’s management of the prisons system ii) Performance of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

**Adjournment** – Bangladesh – Jeremy Corbyn
Thursday 29 November

The House will sit at 10.30am

**Oral Questions** – Treasury, including Topical Questions

**Business Statement** – Leader of the House

**Topical Debate** – ***

**Motion** – To approve a European Document relating to Asylum

**Debate** – Government consultation on convicting rapists and protecting victims

**Adjournment** – Allergy services – Jo Swinson

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


Friday 30 November

The House will not be sitting

* Details known previous Thursday after 1.00pm

** There are no Westminster Hall Adjournment Debates scheduled

*** Details known the previous Monday evening and will appear in Tuesday’s Order Paper
Provisional Forthcoming Business of the House of Commons
3 – 7 December 2007

Monday 3 December

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Defence, including Topical Questions
Legislation – Child Maintenance and Other Payments Bill – Remaining stages
Adjournment – Healthcare provisions – Dr Richard Taylor

Tuesday 4 December

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

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates – **

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Transport, including Topical Questions
Adjournment – *

Wednesday 5 December

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

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates – **

The House will sit at 11.30am

Oral Questions – International Development; Prime Minister
Adjournment – *

Thursday 6 December

The House will sit at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, including Topical Questions
Business Statement – Leader of the House
Topical Debate – ***
Adjournment – *

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

Westminster Hall – Debate on the report from International Development Committee on DFID assistance to Burmese internally displaced people and refugees on the Thai-Burma border
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Friday 7 December

The House will not be sitting

* Details known previous Thursday after 1.00pm

** There are no Westminster Hall Adjournment Debates scheduled

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Forthcoming Business of the House of Lords
26 – 29 November 2007

Monday 26 November (2.30pm)

Oral questions – Lord Dykes to ask Her Majesty’s Government when they expect to meet the Metropolitan Police Commissioner to discuss security policing procedures in London. Baroness Sharples to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they have any plans in place to respond to any future Turkish invasion of northern Iraq. Lord Bradshaw to ask Her Majesty’s Government what plans they have for further high-speed railway lines within the United Kingdom. Lord Razzall to ask Her Majesty’s Government what consideration they have given to rethinking the eradication of poppy cultivation in Afghanistan

Motion – to approve Procedure Committee report

Legislation – Children and Young Persons Bill [HL] (Second reading)

Question for short debate – on plans to develop restorative justice schemes (B. Miller of Chilthorne Domer)

Tuesday 27 November (2.30pm)

Oral questions – Baroness Thomas of Winchester to ask Her Majesty’s Government, in the light of the Comprehensive Spending Review 2007-08 settlement, whether they have decided to increase funding for bee health. Baroness Sharp of Guildford to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether, in view of the evidence from the Cambridge-led Primary Review, they are proposing to change the regime of testing in primary schools in England. Lord Roberts of Llandudno to ask Her Majesty’s Government what plans they have to remember the lives lost in the Iraq war and to commemorate the fifth anniversary of the invasion of Iraq on 20 March 2003

Legislation – Climate Change Bill [HL] (Second reading)

Wednesday 28 November (3.00pm)

Oral questions – Baroness Rawlings to ask Her Majesty’s Government what plans they have to increase the level of aid to Burma and the border areas. Viscount Montgomery of Alamein to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they have any further plans to close British Embassies in Latin America. Lord Sheldon to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is the impact of the spending overrun on the 2012 London Olympic Games upon spending on the Arts

Legislation – Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions Bill [HL] (Second reading)

Thursday 29 November (11.00am)

**Oral questions** – Lord Roberts of Conwy to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to improve the United Kingdom’s international competitiveness in the light of the fall from second to ninth place in the World Economic Forum’s annual league table. Lord Addington to ask Her Majesty’s Government which Government department holds responsibility for issues concerning obesity. Lord Fowler to ask Her Majesty’s Government what action they are taking to help in the world-wide fight against HIV/AIDS

**Legislation** – Bournemouth Borough Council Bill [HL]; Manchester City Council Bill [HL]

**Debates** – on the record of the management and prosecution of sexual offences, and to move for papers (B. Gale); on the growth in passenger and freight traffic on Britain’s railways, and to move for papers (L. Berkeley)

**Question for short debate** – the arrangements being made for Parliamentary scrutiny of the operation of the new Statistics Board (L. Jenkin of Roding)
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3 - 6 December 2007

Monday 3 November (2.30pm)

Oral questions – Lord Barnett to ask Her Majesty’s Government what recent discussions they have had with the Governor of the Bank of England regarding the global credit crunch. Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbotts to ask Her Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the progress made in implementing the Charities Act 2006. Lord Naseby to ask Her Majesty’s Government what percentage of spectators will have a roof over them in the new design for the main stadium for the 2012 Olympics. Lord Blaker to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether it is still the intention of the Prime Minister not to attend the forthcoming summit meeting of the leaders of the African Union and European Union countries in Portugal if Mr Mugabe attends

Legislation – Human Fertilisation and Embryology Bill [HL] (Committee stage 1st day)

Tuesday 4 November (2.30pm)

Oral questions – Lord Quirk to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will increase the amount of support and encouragement for adults to pursue part-time higher education. Lord Judd to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is their target date for the ratification of the Council of Europe Convention on Human Trafficking; and what progress has been made on their action plan. Lord Greaves to ask Her Majesty’s Government how many councils in England are subject to a moratorium or severe restrictions on granting planning permission for new housing

Legislation – Human Fertilisation and Embryology Bill [HL] (Committee stage 2nd day)

Wednesday 5 November (3.00pm)

Oral questions – Lord Faulkner of Worcester to ask Her Majesty’s Government what discussion they have had with the government of Gibraltar about tightening the regulation of on-line gambling. Lord Campbell-Savours to ask Her Majesty’s Government what progress they have made on their proposals for reform of the law on rape. Lord Lamont of Lerwick to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they plan any changes in the extradition arrangements between the United States and the United Kingdom

Debate – on the forthcoming European Council in Lisbon (B. Ashton of Upholland)

Thursday 6 November (11.00am)

Oral questions – Lord Bishop of Ripon and Leeds to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will alleviate any economic problems facing farmers affected by foot-and-mouth disease and blue tongue restrictions by making part payments of the Single Farm Payments at the beginning of the payment window which opens in December. Lord Rosser to ask Her Majesty’s Government what plans they have for promoting women’s football. Baroness Warsi to ask Her Majesty's Government whether they have received any proposals for a national motto; and, if so, whether such a motto will improve community relations. Baroness Shephard of Northwold to call attention to the role of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs in securing the efficient and effective delivery of policies and funds that support and promote the farming industry in the United Kingdom; and to move for papers. Baroness Perry of Southwark to call attention to the case for an action plan to make opportunity more equal in the United Kingdom by raising school standards and increasing the number of good school places; and to move for papers

Debate – on the role of DEFRA in supporting farming in the United Kingdom (B. Shephard of Northwold)
Legislation – General Notes

In the list of Bills which follows, the type of Bill is shown at the left-hand margin next to 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
- **[HL]** Bill starting in the House of Lords
- **HYBRID** Public Bill which affects private interests of particular persons or corporate bodies as distinct from the private interests of all persons or bodies

**Abbreviations:**

- **1R** First reading: date of presentation (formal, no debate)
- **2R** Second reading (debate on the principle(s) of the Bill)
- **MR** Money resolution (normally taken after 2R only shown in the list if taken at another time)
- **GM** Guillotine Motion
- **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 principles (equates with SRC)
- **PBC** Public Bill Committee in the House of Commons
- **Comm** Committee of the Whole House
- **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).
- **SC** Standing Committee
- **SSC/SSSC** Special Standing Committee/Special Scottish Standing Committee on a Bill, where public evidence is taken
- **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 of a bill on the same day (usually report stage and third reading)
- **LA** Lords' amendments considered in the House of Commons
- **CA** Commons' amendments considered in the House of Commons
- **RA** Bill formerly becomes an Act of Parliament
- **CH** Chapter number
- **CO** Carry-over Motion
- **RC** Re-committal to a Public Bill Committee, or to Committee stage in House of Lords
- **Prog** Programme Motion
- **ATM** Allocation of Time Motion
- **SelCom** Bill referred to a Select Committee
- **Prov 2R (Rep.3R)** Provisional date for 2R 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.
- **Pri** Private sitting (can occur at any stage)
- **#** Indicates proceedings were formal with no debate
- **Deb adj** Debate adjourned
- **Order for 2nd Reading lapsed** Bill has not been printed, therefore does not appear on the order paper on the named day
- **Dropped** Day for the next reading has not been named or time has run out for the Bill to be considered
- **Withdrawn** Member in charge has withdrawn the Bill
- **Stood over** Fewer than 40 Members present at a division, question not decided and business under consideration stood over until next sitting of the House
### 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. 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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Draft Bills under consideration or published during 2007–08 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 2007/08 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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Private Legislation: General Notes

Abbreviations

1R First Reading
2R Second Reading
BC Bill committed (as yet the type of Committee is not known)
UBC Bill committed to an unopposed committee (If two dates are given the last is the date on which the committee reported)
OBC Bill committed to an opposed committee (If two dates are given the last is the date on which the committee reported)
BAC Bill as amended by the Committee considered (Report stage) (House of Commons only)
3R Third Reading
CA Commons' amendments considered by the House of Lords
LA Lords' amendments considered by the House of Commons
Susp Motion to suspend the Bill to subsequent Sessions. Related formal proceedings in the new session are marked with an asterisk (*)
Deb Bill debated, otherwise the stages are taken formally. In the House of Commons this will be at 7 pm
Deb adj Debate adjourned
Rev Motion to revive the Bill from previous Sessions debated on the date given
Prov Provisional date for next stage - date supplied where known, ie prov 2R: 27.1.2004 - provisional second reading 27 January 2004
* 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: 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 HCIO Factsheet L4

BOURNEMOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL [HL] (Sharpe Pritchard)

BROADS AUTHORITY (Winckworth Sherwood)
Commons: 1R:23.1.2007  2R: 25.4.2007  OBC: 17 & 18.7.2007

LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND TRANSPORT FOR LONDON 04/05 (Sharpe Pritchard)
3R: 15.12.2005
Commons: 1R: 22.11.2006  *2R: 22.11.2006  *3R: 22.11.2006
Lords: 1R: 15.12.2005  2R: 1.2.2006
Prov 3R: No date

MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL [HL] (Sharpe Pritchard)

TRANSPORT FOR LONDON [HL] 05/06 (Rees & Freres) (the bill is opposed; 4 petitions outstanding against the bill)
Susc: 31.10.2006
Commons: 1R: 2.5.2007  2R: 21.5.2007  Prov OBC: No date
(petitioning period in the Commons 3.5.2007 – 14.5.2007)

TRANSPORT FOR LONDON (SUPPLEMENTAL TOLL PROVISIONS) [HL] (Rees & Freres)
Lords: 1R: 22.1.2007  2R: 26.4.2007  Prov UBC: No date
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 12 October 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 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 23 November 2007

The Northern Ireland Assembly was restored from 8 May 2007 following a period of suspension from midnight on 14 October 2002. During suspension, legislation, which would otherwise have come within the competence of the Assembly, was made by Order in Council under Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 2000. The 2000 Act was also 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.

Outstanding Orders are listed below. Details of previous Orders are available in earlier editions of the bulletin.

To distinguish between UK Bills/Acts applying to Northern Ireland and Acts passed by the Assembly, see the positioning of the term ‘Northern Ireland’. Examples of each are given below:

UK legislation applying to Northern: Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Bill 2006/07
Northern Ireland Assembly legislation: Carers and Direct Payments Act (Northern Ireland) 2002

Bills introduced into the Northern Ireland Assembly can be found at the Northern Ireland Assembly website:
http://www.niassembly.gov.uk/

For further details on Northern Ireland Legislation can be found in HCIO factsheet available on the internet at:
http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary_publications_and_archives/factsheets/l08.cfm

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Legislation of the Northern Ireland Assembly (s. 15 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998)

Some Northern Ireland Assembly Bills which include provisions dealing with exempted or reserved matters are required to be laid before Parliament for a period of 20 sitting days before being presented for Royal Assent. If a motion, signed by not less than 20 Members, disapproving of the Bill is tabled in either House during the 20-day period, the Bill shall not be presented for Royal Assent unless the motion is rejected or withdrawn. The date of tabling of any such motion will be shown below.

Assembly Bills of this type which the Secretary of State deems urgent (U) may be presented for Royal Assent before being laid before Parliament. Such Acts of the Assembly are then required to be laid before Parliament for 20 sitting days. If a motion, signed by not less than 20 Members, praying that the Act shall cease to have effect is tabled in either House during the 20-day period the Act and is agreed to, the Act of the Assembly may be repealed by Order in Council. The date of tabling of any such motion will be shown below.

Delegated legislation dealing with certain reserved matters, are subject to Parliamentary procedure at Westminster. The Parliamentary stages of any such legislation are detailed below.

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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

### Applications for Orders under the Transport and Works Act 1992

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*These two proposed Orders have since been consolidated into one which if made, would be entitled “The Network Rail (Thameslink 2000) Order”*
General Committees

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Membership:

**Crossrail**

Chairman: Ann Winterton

Mr Jim McGovern discharged; Gordon Banks nominated in substitution
General Committee Meetings
19 – 23 November 2007

Monday 19 November

1st DLC Draft Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (England) Representations and Appeals Regulations


Tuesday 20 November

PBC Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (9th and 10th Sittings: Clauses 12, 14-15, 18-20, 22, 27, 29, 33-34 agreed; Clauses 11, 13, 16-17, 21, 26, 28, 30-32 agreed as amended; Clause 10 agreed on division; Schedule 6 agreed; Schedule 5, 7 agreed as amended)

ESC EU Document 6145/07 and Addenda 1 and 2 relating to Emissions from Road Transport and Inland Waterways


Wednesday 21 November


5th DLC Company and Business Names (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations 2007 (S.I., 2007, No. 3152)

Thursday 22 November

PBC Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (11th and 12th Sittings: Clauses 35-37, 39-41, 43, 45, 47-49, 53-56, 59-61, 63-66, 68-70 agreed; Clauses 38, 42, 44, 46, 50-52, 57, 67 agreed as amended; Clauses 58, 62 agreed on division; Schedule 9, 11, 13 agreed; Schedule 8, 10 agreed as amended)

PBC Crossrail Bill (1st and 2nd Sittings: Clauses 1-12, 14-29 agreed to; Schedule 1-4, 6-10 agreed; Schedule 5 agreed as amended)

Friday 23 November

None

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#### 26 – 30 November 2007

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**Tuesday 27 November**

| PBC     | Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill, 10.30am & 4.00pm, Room 10                                                                                                                                         |
| PBC     | Crossrail Bill, 10.30am & 4.00pm, Room 12                                                                                                                                                               |

**Wednesday 28 November**

| 4th DLC | Secure Training Centre (Amendment) Rules 2007 (S.I., 2007. No. 1709), 2.30pm, Room 9                                                                                                                      |

**Thursday 29 November**

| PBC     | Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill, 9.00am & 1.00pm, Room 10                                                                                                                                         |
| PBC     | Crossrail Bill, 9.00am & 1.00pm, Room 12                                                                                                                                                               |
| 5th DLC | Guidance Issued Under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, 8.55am, Room 9                                                                                                                             |

**Friday 30 November**

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Membership:

Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform:
Richard Younger-Ross discharged; Mike Weir added

Communities and Local Government:
Martin Horwood discharged; Andrew George added

International Development:
Mr Quentin Davies discharged; Jim Sheridan added

Public Accounts:
John Healey discharged; Angela Eagle added
Select Committee Meetings
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Monday 19 November

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
Subject: Housing Market Renewal: Pathfinders
Witnesses: Peter Housden, Permanent Secretary, Richard McCarthy, Department for Communities and Local Government, Transform South Yorkshire and Liverpool City Council

COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
Subject: Existing housing stock and climate change
Witnesses: Chartered Institute of Housing; Fuel Poverty Advisory Group; Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers; National Landlords Association; Places for People

Tuesday 20 November

HOME AFFAIRS
Subject: A Surveillance Society
Witnesses: Department for Children, Schools and Families, Department of Health, Department for Transport and Transport for London; Ministry of Justice, and Government Chief Information Officer

ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT
Subject: Are biofuels sustainable?
Witnesses: Environment Agency, Joint Nature Conservation Committee (JNCC), National Farmers Union (NFU), The Low Carbon Vehicle Partnership; Professor Richard Bateman, Professor Roland Clift CBE, Biosciences Federation and Dr Dominick Spracklen, Institute for Atmospheric Science, University of Leeds

WELSH AFFAIRS
Subject: Globalisation and its impact on Wales
Witnesses: Welsh Polish Association

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Subject: DFID and the World Bank
Witnesses: One World Trust, Bretton Woods Project and EURODAD

DEFENCE
Subject: Future of NATO and European Defence
Witnesses: Lieutenant General Sir Rob Fry (Rtd), Colonel Christopher Langton (Rtd), and Daniel Keohane and General Jack Deverall (Rtd)

BUSINESS, ENTERPRISE AND REGULATORY REFORM
Subject: Departmental Annual Report and Accounts 2006-07
Witnesses: Rt Hon John Hutton MP, Secretary of State, Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform

CULTURE, MEDIA AND SPORT
Subject: London 2012 Games
Witnesses: British Cycling, UK Athletics and British Swimming; UK Sport

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
Subject: Third Sector Commissioning
Witnesses: Rt Hon Ed Miliband MP, Minister for the Cabinet Office and Phil Hope MP, Minister for the Third Sector
Wednesday 21 November

WORK AND PENSIONS
Subject: The Best Start in Life? Alleviating deprivation, improving social mobility and eradicating child poverty
Witnesses: TUC, Working Links and Mayor of London’s Office

INNOVATION, UNIVERSITIES AND SKILLS
Subject: The Sainsbury Review
Witness: Lord Sainsbury of Turville

DEFENCE
Subject: UK/US Defence Trade Cooperation Treaty
Witnesses: Ian Godden, Defence Industries Council and Society of British Aerospace Companies, David Hayes, Export Group for Aerospace and Defence and Export Controls, Dr Jerry McGinn, Aerospace Industries Association and Northrop Grumman, Dr Sandy Watson, General Dynamics UK, and Alison Wood, BAE Systems; Rt Hon Baroness Taylor of Bolton, Minister for Defence Equipment and Support and officials MOD

FOREIGN AFFAIRS
Subject: Foreign Policy Aspects of the EU Reform Treaty
Witnesses: Professor Christopher Hill, University of Cambridge, Professor Richard Whitman, University of Bath, Graham Avery, St Anthony’s College, Oxford University

ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS
Subject: i) Flooding ii) Defra Priorities
Witnesses: i) Dr Timothy Brain, Chief Constable of Gloucestershire; Gloucestershire County Council and Oxfordshire County Council; Severn Trent Water and Thames Water; ii) Helen Ghosh, Permanent Secretary, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

TRANSPORT
Subject: The future of BAA
Witnesses: Competition Commission, Civil Aviation Authority; Air Transport Users’ Council; Unite – the Union, Public and Commercial Services Union

NORTHERN IRELAND AFFAIRS
Subject: The Northern Ireland Prison Service
Witnesses: Paul Goggins MP, Minister of State, Northern Ireland Office and Mr Robin Masefield, Director General, Northern Ireland Prison Service

HOME AFFAIRS
Subject: The Government’s Counter-Terrorism Proposals
Witnesses: Rt Hon Lord Goldsmith QC; Sir Ken Macdonald QC, Head of the Crown Prosecution Service and Director of Public Prosecutions

WELSH AFFAIRS
Subject: Legislative Competence Orders: Additional Learning Needs
Witnesses: Jane Hutt AM, Minister for Children, Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills, Welsh Assembly Government and officials

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
Subject: The Pensions Regulator
Witnesses: Tony Hobman, Chief Executive, The Pensions Regulator and Bill Galvin, Pensions Protection Division, Department for Work and Pensions

Thursday 22 November

HEALTH
Subject: Public Expenditure on Health and Personal Social Services 2007
Witnesses: David Nicholson CBE, NHS Chief Executive, Hugh Taylor CB, Permanent Secretary, David Flory, Director General of NHS Finance, Performance and Operations, and Richard Douglas, Director of Finance and Investment, Department of Health
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Subject: Maternal Health
Witnesses: Richard Horton, Editor, The Lancet and the White Ribbon Alliance; Marie Stopes International and Save the Children

Friday 23 November

None

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Monday 26 November 2007

**SCOTTISH AFFAIRS**

Subject: Poverty in Scotland
Witnesses: Convention of Scottish Local Authorities; Stewart Maxwell, Minister for Communities and Sport, Scottish Executive (at 2:30 pm)

**JOINT COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS**

Subject: Human Rights Policy
Witnesses: Michael Wills MP, Minister of State, Ministry of Justice

**ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS**

Subject: Badgers and cattle TB
Witnesses: Professor Gareth Enticott, Cardiff University and Dr Chris Cheeseman; Professor John McInerney OBE (at 5:15 pm)

**PUBLIC ACCOUNTS**

Subject: Sustainable employment: supporting people to stay in work and advance
Witnesses: Adam Sharples, Department for Work and Pensions, Stephen Marston, Department of Innovation, Universities and Skills, Mark Haysom, Learning and Skills Council and Lesley Strathie, Jobcentre Plus

Tuesday 27 November 2007

**HOME AFFAIRS**

Subject: (i) UK Immigration Issues and the Accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the EU: Twelve months on (ii) The Accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the EU: Twelve months on
Witnesses: (i) Liam Byrne MP, Minister for Borders and Immigration, Home Office; (ii) Mr Aurel Ciobanu-Dordea, Under-Secretary of State for European Affairs of Romania (at 11:45 am)

**ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT**

Subject: Are biofuels sustainable?
Witnesses: Jim Fitzpatrick MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Malcolm Fendick, Head of Cleaner Fuels and Vehicles Division and Chief Mechanical Engineer, and Rupert Furness, Head of Biofuels Branch, Department for Transport

**BUSINESS, ENTERPRISE AND REGULATORY REFORM**

Subject: The UK Construction Industry
Witnesses: Union for Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians; ConstructionSkills (at 11:15 am); Unite – the union (at 12:00 pm)

**CULTURE, MEDIA AND SPORT**

Subject: Tourism
Witnesses: Tourism Alliance; South West Regional Development Agency, South East England Development Agency and North West Regional Development Agency (at 11:30 am)

**DEFENCE**

Subject: Medical Care for the Armed Forces
Witnesses: Derek Twigg MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Ministry of Defence and Ben Bradshaw MP, Minister of State for Health Services, Department of Health

**WELSH AFFAIRS**

Subject: Globalisation and its impact on Wales
Witnesses: Bill Goldsworthy OBE, Chair, Agri-Food Partnership, Norma Barry, Director of the Food and Market Development Division and Professor David Hughes; Age Concern Cymru (at 11:15 am)

SCOTTISH AFFAIRS
Subject: Poverty in Scotland
Witnesses: Caroline Flint MP, Minister of State, Department for Work and Pensions, and Rt Hon Jane Kennedy MP, Financial Secretary, HM Treasury

Wednesday 28 November 2007

INNOVATION, UNIVERSITES AND SKILLS
Subject: Higher Education issues
Witnesses: Bill Rammell MP, Minister of State, Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills, and Professor David Eastwood, Chief Executive, Higher Education Funding Council for England

WORK AND PENSIONS
Subject: The Health and Safety Commission and Executive
Witnesses: Judith Hackitt CBE, Chair, Health and Safety Commission and Geoffrey Podger CB, Chief Executive, Health and Safety Executive

MODERNISATION OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS
Subject: Scrutiny of the Draft Queen’s Speech
Witnesses: Rt Hon Alan Williams MP, Chairman, Liaison Committee, Rt Hon Alan Beith MP, Chairman, Justice Committee, Dr Tony Wright MP, Chairman, Public Administration Committee and Robert Wilson, Clerk, Liaison Committee; Age Concern, North East Chamber of Commerce (at 10:10 am)

DEFENCE
Subject: Ministry of Defence Annual Report and Accounts 2006-07
Witnesses: Bill Jeffrey CB, Permanent Under Secretary of State, and Trevor Woolley CB, Finance Director, Ministry of Defence

FOREIGN AFFAIRS
Subject: Global Security: Iran
Witnesses: Dr Kim Howells MP, Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office

PROCEDURE
Subject: E-petitions
Witnesses: Douglas Carswell MP, Andrew Miller MP, and Richard Allan, Cisco Systems

TRANSPORT*
Subject: The future of BAA
Witnesses: British Airways, American Airlines, Air France, easyJet; BAA, Ferrovial (at 3:15 pm); Jim Fitzpatrick MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Transport (at 4:15 pm)

ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS*
Subject: Flooding
Witnesses: Association of British Insurers, Norwich Union and Royal SunAlliance; Ofwat (at 4:00 pm)

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
Subject: Government on the internet: progress in delivering information and services online
Witnesses: Cabinet Office and Central Office of Information

Thursday 29 November 2007

TREASURY
Subject: The November 2007 Inflation Report
Witnesses: Mervyn King, Governor of the Bank of England, Rachel Lomax, Deputy Governor (Monetary analysis), Charlie Bean, Executive Director and Chief Economist, and Professor Tim Besley and Professor David Blanchflower, External Monetary Policy Committee Members
HEALTH
Subject: Public Expenditure on Health and Personal Social Services 2007
Witnesses: Rt Hon Alan Johnson MP, Secretary of State for Health

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION*
Subject: Lobbying
Witnesses: John Grogan MP, Peter Luff MP and Stephen Pound MP

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(Subject Matters are in brackets)

MONDAY 26 NOVEMBER

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS
Evidence will be heard from Michael Wills MP, Human Rights minister.
(Adults with learning disabilities)

TUESDAY 27 NOVEMBER

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE A
Evidence will be heard from (a) Michael Folger and Sarah Varney, Financial Services Authority, and Peter Green and Duncan Mackinnon, HM Treasury; and from (b) Peter Skinner MEP, European Parliament.
(Solvency II)

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY SUB-COMMITTEE I
Evidence will be heard from Mr Neil Thornton, Director of Sustainable Consumption, Production and Waste, Defra; Mr Tony Pedrotti, Director of Sustainable Development & Regulation Directorate, BERR; and Dr David Evans, Director for Innovation, DIUS.
(Waste Reduction)

ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Evidence will be heard from (a) British Medical Association; Royal College of Nursing; and UK Home Care Association; and (b) Professor David Blanchflower; and (c) Dr Janet Dobson, UCL; National Union of Teachers; and National Association of Head Teachers.
(Economic Impact of Immigration)

MERITS OF STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS COMMITTEE
Evidence will be heard from (a) Lesley Longstone, Director General, Young People and Claire Johnston, Head of Legal Directorate of the Department for Children, Schools and Families; and (b) Phil Wynn Owen, Director General for Strategy and Pensions, and Richard Heaton, Director General of the Law, Governance and Special Policy Group of the Department for Works and Pensions.
(Management of Secondary Legislation)

EUROPEAN UNION SELECT COMMITTEE
Evidence will be heard from David Heathcoat-Amory MP.
(EU Reform Treaty)

WEDNESDAY 28 NOVEMBER

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE
Evidence will be heard from (a) Mr Michael Grade CBE, Executive Chairman, and Mr John Cresswell, Chief Operating Officer, ITV plc; and from (b) Mr Malcolm Wall, CEO of Content, Mr Paul Richmond, Director of Corporate Affairs & Media, Mr Jon James, Director of Group Strategy, and Mr Scott Dresser, Assistant General Counsel, Virgin Media.
(Media Ownership and the News)

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE D
Evidence will be heard from Fiona Bryant, Head of Sustainable and Rural Development, East of England Development Agency; and Mr Ian Baker, Head of Rural Renaissance at Advantage West Midlands (AWM).
(Future of the CAP)

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE F
Evidence will be heard from Major Andrew Mallia, Armed Forces of Malta.
(FRONTEX)
CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE
(a) 11.30am (b) 12.15pm
Evidence will be heard from (a) Professor Clive Norris, Professor of Sociology, University of Sheffield, Dr David Murakami Wood, Lecturer, School of Architecture Planning and Landscape, Newcastle University and from (b) Professor Graham Greenleaf, Professor of Law, University of New South Wales, Australia.
(Surveillance and Data Collection)

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE E
4.15pm
Evidence will be heard from the Centre for European Policy Studies.
(Impact of the Reform Treaty)

THURSDAY 29 NOVEMBER

EUROPEAN UNION SUB-COMMITTEE C
(a) 10.35am (b) 11.20am
Evidence will be heard from (a) Mr Andrew Mathewson, Directorate for Policy on International Organisations, Ministry of Defence; and from (b) Gloria Craig, Director General International Security Policy, Ministry of Defence; and Mr Andrew Steer, Director of Policy and Research Division, Department for International Development.
Select Committees: Publications received since the last Bulletin

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Further Responses to the Government’s Consultation on the Crossrail Bill Environmental Statement, Cm 7249, ISBN: 0101724920

European Communities Documents to be considered
EU documents recommended for debate by the European Scrutiny Committee

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This includes draft Regulations and Directives, Decisions of the Council and Budgetary documents. The Committee examine the documents for political and legal implications, and decides whether it should be considered further in European Standing Committee, or for the most important documents, on the floor of the House. Recommendations for further consideration are noted in the list of “Memoranda” in the days Votes and Proceedings. Reports of the European Scrutiny Committee are available from TSO or on the parliament website at: http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmeuleg.htm

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Early Day Motion is a colloquial term for a notice given by a Member for which no date has been fixed for debate. This section records the date, number, primary sponsor and title of EDMs tabled in the last week.

For information about the text and signatories see ‘Notices of Motions’ section of the Vote Bundle, the EDM Database at [http://www.parliament.uk](http://www.parliament.uk) or contact the House of Commons Information Office (Tel: 020 7219 4272) who will advise.

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Labour  
352
Social Democratic Labour Party  
(Messrs Durkan, McDonnell, McGrady)  
3

Conservative  
194
Independent Labour  
Clare Short  
1

Liberal Democrat  
63
Independent Conservative  
Andrew Pelling  
1

Scottish National Party / Plaid Cymru  
(SNP - Messrs Robertson, Salmon, Weir, Wishart, MacNeil & Hosie / PC - Messrs Llwyd, Price, H Williams)  
9
Independent  
Dr Richard Taylor  
Dai Davies  
Robert Wareing  
3

Democratic Unionist Party  
(Messrs Campbell, Dodds, Donaldson, McCrea, Paisley, P Robinson, Ms Iris Robinson, Simpson, Wilson)  
9
Respect  
George Galloway  
1

Ulster Unionist  
(Lady Hermon)  
1
The Speaker and 3 Deputies  
(Sir Alan Haselhurst, CWM; Mrs Sylvia Heal, 1st DCWM; Sir Michael Lord, 2nd DCWM)  
4  
(Do not normally vote)

Sinn Fein  
(Messrs Adams, Doherty, McGuinness, Murphy & Ms Gildernew)  
5  
(Vacant seats)  
0

Total number of seats  
646

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)  
CWM: Chairman of Ways and Means  
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