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## Noticeboard

### Weekly Information Bulletin

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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.

### 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 rose on Tuesday 18 December 2007 and returned on Monday 7 January 2008

- **Spring half term recess 2008**
  - The House rose on Thursday 7 February 2008 and returned on Monday 18 February 2008

- **April 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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<td><strong>OPQ</strong> – Scotland; Prime Minister’s Questions</td>
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**The Week Ahead: 21 – 25 April 2008**
**Order of Oral Questions**  
*(Next Sitting period N.B. All dates are provisional)*

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Business of the House of Commons
31 March – 4 April 2008

Monday 31 March

The House sat at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Work and Pensions, including Topical Questions

Motion – Housing and Regeneration Bill – Ways and means resolution (Agreed to)

Legislation – Housing and Regeneration Bill – Remaining stages (As amended, considered and read a Third time)

Motion – To consider the Draft Northern Rock plc Transfer Order 2008 (Motion, on a deferred Division, agreed to)

Adjournment – Immigration status of non-UK nationals resident in the UK – David Davis

The House rose at 11.53pm

Tuesday 1 April

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

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00    Situation in Darfur – James Duddridge
11.00-12.30    Future of the Daresbury Science and Innovation Campus – Mr Mike Hall
12.30-13.00    Elder abuse – Mr Paul Burstow
13.00-13.30    Black and ethnic minority pupils and school exclusions – Ms Diane Abbott
13.30-14.00    Tibet – Norman Baker

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Communities and Local Government, including Topical Questions

Statement – Iraq – Des Browne

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Offshore Oil and Gas Industries (Health and Safety) Bill – Frank Doran (Bill presented and read a First time)

Legislation – Counter-Terrorism Bill – Second reading (Bill read a Second time)

Legislation – Counter-Terrorism Bill – Programme motion (Agreed to)

Legislation – Counter-Terrorism Bill – Money resolution (Agreed to)

Adjournment – 100th anniversary of the Territorial Army – Mr Mark Lancaster

The House rose at 10.33 pm
Wednesday 2 April

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

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension – Nick Ainger
11.00-11.30 Future of Wirral Metropolitan College’s Carlett Park Campus – Ben Chapman
14.30-16.00 Review of the Scotland Act 1998 – Pete Wishart
16.00-16.30 Impact of the NHS (Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 2005 on small pharmacies in Chelmsford – Mr Simon Burns
16.30-17.00 Trial and imprisonment of Mr Michael Burk in Italy – Barbara Keeley

The House will sit at 11.30am

Oral Questions – Wales; Prime Minister

Statement – Zimbabwe – David Miliband

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Illegally Logged Timber (Prohibition of Sale and Distribution) – Barry Gardiner (Bill presented and read a First time)

Debate – Opposition Day (9th allotted day) – Liberal Democrat motions; i) The Economy, Repossessions and the Housing Market (Motion, as amended, agreed to), ii) The Government’s policy on Heathrow (Motion, as amended, agreed to)

Adjournment – Biosimilar medicines – Dr Brian Iddon

The House rose at 7.51pm

Thursday 3 April

The House sat at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform

Business Statement – Leader of the House

Topical Debate – Drug Strategy

Motion – on the April recess adjournment

Adjournment – Charities – Barry Gardiner

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


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

The House rose at 6.31pm

Friday 4 April

The House did not sit
Written Ministerial Statements
31 March – 4 April 2008

31.03.08 Companies House Targets – Mr Gareth Thomas
31.03.08 Insolvency Service Targets (2008-09) – Mr Pat McFadden
31.03.08 Northern Rock – Mr Alistair Darling
31.03.08 A Strategy for 14-19 Qualifications – Ed Balls
31.03.08 Staying Safe – Kevin Brennan
31.03.08 Regeneration – John Healey
31.03.08 Chemical Weapon Convention – Mr Bob Ainsworth
31.03.08 Future Strategic Tanker Aircraft – Mr Bob Ainsworth
31.03.08 Land Registry Targets (2008-09) – Mr Michael Wills
31.03.08 Power of Information Review (Government’s Interim Progress Report) – Mr Tom Watson
31.03.08 Parliamentary constituencies (Northern Ireland) Order 2008 – Paul Goggins
31.03.08 Discretionary Social Fund (Allocations 2008-09) – Mr James Plaskitt
01.04.08 Defence Exports – Mr John Hutton
01.04.08 Schools Revenue Balances (2006-07) – Jim Knight
01.04.08 Gypsies and Travellers – Mr Iain Wright
01.04.08 Executive Agencies – Mr Bob Ainsworth
01.04.08 FCO Services – David Miliband
01.04.08 NHS Foundation Trusts – Mr Ben Bradshaw
01.04.08 Vascular Disease – Alan Johnson
01.04.08 Independent Safeguarding Authority – Meg Hillier
01.04.08 Probation Trusts (Implementation) – Mr David Hanson
01.04.08 Child Care Proceedings System – Bridget Prentice
01.04.08 Parole Board – Mr Jack Straw
01.04.08 Prison Policy – Mr Jack Straw
01.04.08 Her Majesty’s Courts Service – Mr Jack Straw
01.04.08 Maritime and Coastguard Agency – Jim Fitzpatrick
01.04.08 Domestic Violence – Ms Harriet Harman
01.04.08 New Deal – James Purnell
02.04.08 United Kingdom Coins – Angela Eagle
02.04.08  Adoptions from Cambodia – Kevin Brennan
02.04.08  Qualifications Regulation – Ed Balls
02.04.08  School Admissions System – Ed Balls
02.04.08  School Playing Fields – Kevin Brennan
02.04.08  Local Government – John Healey
02.04.08  Draft Heritage Protection Bill – Andy Burnham
02.04.08  Reservists (Balkans) – Mr Bob Ainsworth
02.04.08  Artist’s Resale Right – Ian Pearson
02.04.08  Palestinian Authority – Mr Douglas Alexander
02.04.08  Tribunals Service (Key Performance Indicators 2008-2009) – Bridget Prentice
02.04.08  Legal Aid Reform – Maria Eagle
02.04.08  Probation – Mr David Hanson
02.04.08  HM Chief Inspector of Prisons – Mr David Hanson
02.04.08  Transport Innovation Fund – Ms Rosie Winterton
02.04.08  Highways Agency (Roadside Facilities) – Mr Tom Harris
02.04.08  Bulk Mail Handling – Jim Fitzpatrick
03.04.08  ECOFIN – Mr Alistair Darling
03.04.08  Children’s Plan – Ed Balls
03.04.08  John Healey – Local Government
03.04.08  Eco-towns – Caroline Flint
03.04.08  Draft Marine Bill – Hilary Benn
03.04.08  EU Foreign Ministers – Mr Jim Murphy
03.04.08  Pharmacy – Dawn Primarolo
03.04.08  UK Border Agency – Jacqui Smith
03.04.08  Council of Europe/Western European Union – Mr Gordon Brown
03.04.08  Plea Negotiation (Fraud Cases) – Vera Baird
03.04.08  EU Transport Council – Ms Rosie Winterton
03.04.08  Safety, Service Delivery and Logistics Group – Jim Fitzpatrick
03.04.08  Local Transport Bill – Ms Rosie Winterton
03.04.08  Biofuels and Tallow – Jim Fitzpatrick
03.04.08 Disability Benefits (European Court of Justice) – Mrs Anne McGuire
03.04.08 Lone Parents – Mr Stephen Timms
Forthcoming Business of the House of Commons  
21 – 25 April 2008

Monday 21 April

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Home Office, including Topical Questions

Legislation – Finance Bill – Second reading

Adjournment – A417 traffic improvement scheme – Mr Geoffrey Clifton-Brown

Tuesday 22 April

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

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Metals recycling industry – Dr Alan Whitehead
11.00-12.30 Local consultation on large scale housing developments – Mr Philip Hollobone
12.30-13.00 Piece Hall, Halifax – Mrs Linda Riordan
13.00-13.30 Government subsidies for wind turbines – Mr Keith Simpson
13.30-14.00 Plymouth growth plans – Linda Gilroy

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Transports, including Topical Questions

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Road Traffic (Safety) Bill – James Brokenshire

Legislation – Pensions Bill – Remaining stages

Adjournment – Inspections of children’s homes – Ann Coffey

Wednesday 23 April

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

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Prison overcrowding and sentencing policy – Mr Elfyn Llwyd
11.00-11.30 West Midlands Regional Spatial Strategy revision – Peter Luff
14.30-16.00 Housing needs in London – Ms Karen Buck
16.00-16.30 Private sector rented housing – Ms Sally Keeble
16.30-17.00 Post Office closures in Northavon – Steve Webb

The House will sit at 11.30am

Oral Questions – Scotland; Prime Minister

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Nuclear Weapons Convention (Advisory Panel) Bill – Jon Trickett

Debate – Opposition Day (10th allotted day) – Subject to be announced

Adjournment – Public family law – John Hemming
Thursday 24 April

The House will sit at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Treasury, including Topical Questions

Business Statement – Leader of the House

Topical debate –***

Debate – On a points based Immigration System

Adjournment – Development of Basildon Golf Course – Angela E Smith

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

Westminster Hall – A debate on the Second Report from the Culture, Media and Sport Committee, HC 202, on Ticket Touting

Friday 25 April

The House will sit at 9.30am

Private Members' Bills – Food Products (Marketing to Children) Bill – Nigel Griffiths (2R); Public Sector Buildings (Energy Performance) Bill – Anne Snelgrove (2R); Citizens Convention Bill – Julia Goldsworthy (2R); Christmas Savings Schemes (Regulation) Bill – Anne Snelgrove (2R); Football Spectators and Sports Grounds Bill – Mr Russell Brown (2R); Personal Debt (Advice and Regulation) Bill – Sandra Gidley (2R); Pedlars (Street Trading Regulation) Bill – Dr Brian Iddon (2R); Environment Protection Act 1990 (Amendment) Bill – Mr Bernard Jenkin (2R); Employment Retention Bill – John Robertson (2R); Nail Bars and Special Treatment Premises (Regulation) Bill – Dr Phyllis Starkey (2R); Microgeneration (Definition) (Amendment) Bill – Mr David Drew (2R)

Adjournment – Application of the Political Parties Elections and Referendums Act 2000 to candidates for directly elected office – Mr Greg Hands

*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
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Provisional Forthcoming Business of the House of Commons
28 April – 2 May 2008

Monday 28 April

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Defence, including Topical Questions

Legislation – Finance Bill – Consideration in Committee of the whole House

Adjournment – Funding of NHS services in York – Hugh Bayley

Tuesday 29 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 – Justice, including Topical Questions

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

Legislation – Finance Bill – Conclusion of consideration in Committee of the whole House

Adjournment –*

Wednesday 30 April

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

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Citizens’ Initiative (Legislation) – Mr Douglas Carswell

Legislation – Energy Bill – Remaining stages

Adjournment –*

Thursday 1 May

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 2.30pm and 5.30pm

Westminster Hall –*

Friday 2 May

*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
**Forthcoming Business of the House of Lords**  
**21 – 25 April 2008**

**Monday 21 April (2.30pm)**

**Oral Questions** – Lord Dykes to ask Her Majesty’s Government when they will next discuss future reform of the European Union budget with regard to Common Agricultural Policy restructuring in the Council of Ministers. Lord Cotter to ask Her Majesty’s Government what action they will take to increase the number of apprenticeships in the private sector to 400,000 per year by 2020, as recommended in the Leitch Review of Skills. Baroness Deech to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to address genetic problems arising from marriages between first cousins. Baroness Trumpington to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they have made any representations to Transport for London on plans to change the road traffic arrangements for Parliament Square.

**Legislation** – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Report stage, day 3)

**Legislation** – Health and Social Care Bill (Grand Committee, day 1, Moses Room, 3.30pm)

**Delegated Legislation** – Immigration (Biometric Registration) (Pilot) Regulations 2008 – motion to approve

**Tuesday 22 April (11.00am)**

**Oral Questions** – Baroness Gardner of Parkes to ask Her Majesty’s Government, in view of the European Commission’s proposal for cross-border enforcement of traffic offences of European Union-registered cars, what action they propose to deal with cars registered in other countries. Lord Joffe to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to ensure a fair result for policy-holders in the current negotiations over the re-attribution of the inherited estates of with-profits funds. Lord Bishop of Liverpool to ask Her Majesty’s Government what will be the impact of the Climate Change Bill on the provisions affecting the building of power stations in the Planning Bill and the Energy Bill.

**Legislation** – European Union (Amendment) Bill (Committee stage, day 1)

**Question for short debate** – on the plans for the future of inheritance tax and capital gains tax (L. Burnett)

**Wednesday 23 April (3.00pm)**

**Oral Questions** – Lord Ezra to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to limit the United Kingdom’s dependence on imported gas. Lord Howarth of Newport to ask Her Majesty’s Government when the current term of the existing House of Lords Appointments Commission is due to expire; and what proposals they have for the status and terms of reference of a House of Lords Appointments Commission thereafter. Lord Lea of Crondall to ask Her Majesty’s Government what discussions are taking place towards the goal of a nuclear-free Middle East.

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

**Legislation** – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Report stage, day 4)

**Delegated Legislation** – Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008; Business Protection from Misleading Marketing Regulations 2008; Consumers, Estate Agents and Redress Act 2007 (Commencement No. 3 and Supplementary Provision) Order 2008 – motions to approve
Thursday 24 April (11.00am)

**Oral Questions** – Lord Morris of Manchester to ask Her Majesty’s Government when they expect to announce whether the proposals in the consultation paper Transforming Tribunals will be adjusted in any way to retain the Pensions Appeal Tribunal as a discrete specialised jurisdiction for determining war pension appeals. Lord Harrison to ask Her Majesty’s Government what proposals they have for securing the future of Jodrell Bank Observatory in Cheshire. Baroness Rawlings to ask Her Majesty’s Government how they measure the effectiveness of their international aid.

**Legislation** – House of Lords (Members’ Taxation Status) Bill [HL] (Committee stage)

**Debates** – on the role played by Post Offices in local communities and the public reaction to plans to close part of the network, and to move for papers (B. Byford); on the current situation in the provision of National Health Service dental services in England, and to move for papers (L. Colwyn)

Friday 25 April (10.00am)

**Legislation** – Safety Deposit Current Accounts Bill [HL] (Second reading)

**Debate** – on the impact of economic inequality on the family, and to move for papers (Abp. Canterbury)
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Provisional Future Business of the House of Lords
28 April – 1 May 2008

Monday 28 April (2.30pm)

Oral Questions – Countess of Mar to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether low level exposures to organophosphates and carbonates are a contributing factor in the ill health of some Gulf War veterans and sheep farmers. Lord Young of Norwood Green to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is their latest assessment of the cost of identity cards to individuals; and how the total cost of the identity card scheme will be split between the Government and the general public. Baroness Oppenheim-Barnes to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will review the content and weighting of the Consumer Prices Index. Baroness Cox to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is their assessment of the extent to which foreign funding of academic institutions in the United Kingdom may compromise the academic integrity of courses or influence the appointment of academic staff.

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

Legislation – Housing and Regeneration Bill (Second reading)

Tuesday 29 April (2.30pm)

Oral Questions – Lord Lloyd of Berwick to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will take steps to discourage the Port of London Authority from felling riverside trees between Putney and Kew. Baroness Massey of Darwen to ask Her Majesty’s Government how many young people have benefited from the Education Maintenance Allowance; and what steps they will take to increase its take-up. Lord Faulkner of Worcester to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to improve facilities for disabled supporters at sports stadia.

Legislation – European Union (Amendment) Bill (Committee stage, day 2)

Legislation – Health and Social Care Bill (Grand Committee, day 2, Moses Room, 3.30pm)

Wednesday 30 April (3.00pm)

Oral Questions – Lord Janner of Braunstone to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether the third United Nations Security Council Resolution on Iran has been effective in ensuring compliance in respect of its uranium enrichment programme. Lord Dubs to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will take steps to ensure that bonuses are paid to directors of publicly owned companies only on the basis of merit. Lord Sheikh to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to achieve peace in Sri Lanka.

Legislation – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Third reading)

Legislation – National Insurance Contributions Bill (Second reading)

Legislation – Health and Social Care Bill (Grand Committee, day 3, Moses Room, 3.45pm)

Question for short debate – on the risks of flooding from inland rivers in the United Kingdom and the role of the Environment Agency as the delegated body for managing it (L. Rotherwick)
Thursday 1 May (11.00am)

**Oral Questions** – Lord Soley to ask the Chairman of Committees what plans there are for bringing the work of the House of Lords to wider public attention. Baroness Howe of Idlicote to ask Her Majesty’s Government what further action they will take to ensure education and training courses are given priority within the prison service. Baroness Finlay of Llandaff to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they are considering direct payments to meet combined health and social needs for terminally ill patients and their carers

**Legislation** – Alcohol Labelling Bill [HL] (Committee stage)

**Debates** – Crossbench debates
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 Lords
RA Bill formally 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
# Member in charge has named a date for consideration which is not a Private Members’ Bill Friday, therefore the Bill will not be debated.
Deb adj Debate adjourned
Order for 2nd Order for 2nd Reading
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.

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CLIMATE CHANGE (SECTORAL TARGETS) (P)  
Commons: (62)  
1R: 22.1.2008 (Dropped)  
Colin Challen

CLIMATE CHANGE [HL] (G)  
Lords: (9)  
1R: 14.11.2007  
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Lord Rooker

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Commons: (14)  
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Commons: (85)  
1R: 10.3.2008  
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Commons: (62, 2004-05)  
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Commons: (84)  *1R: 4.3.2008  Prov 2R: 16.5.2008 (6)

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Commons: (24)  *1R: 5.12.2007  2R: 25.1.2008 (3) (Deb adj)  Prov 2R: 16.5.2008 (8)

DORMANT BANK AND BUILDING SOCIETY ACCOUNTS [HL] (G)  Lord Davies of Oldham
Commons: (80)  1R: 27.2.2008 Prov 2R: No date

DRUGS (RECLASSIFICATION) (P)  Christopher Chope
Commons: (37)  *1R: 10.12.2007  Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (5)

DRUGS (ROADSIDE TESTING) (P)  Christopher Chope
Commons: (38)  *1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (3)

EDUCATION (CHILDREN WITH AUTISM) (T)  Lee Scott
Commons: (56)  1R: 16.1.2008 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (4)

EDUCATION AND SKILLS (G)  Ed Balls
PBC: 22, 24, 29 & 31.1; 5, 7, 19, 21, 26 & 28.2.2008  Prov Rep: No date  Prov 3R: No date

EMPLOYMENT [HL] (G)  Lord Jones of Birmingham
Commons: (60)  1R: 29.1.2008 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (9)

ENERGY (G)  John Hutton
PBC: 5, 19, 21, 26 & 28.2; 4, 6 & 11.3.2008  Prov Rep: 30.4.2008  Prov 3R: 30.4.2008

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Commons: (21)  *1R: 5.12.2007  2R: 7.3.2008 (2) (Deb adj - Dropped)

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Commons: (34)  *1R: 5.12.2007 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 16.5.2008 (7)

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (TRANSFERS AT SEA) (B8)  Mark Lazarowicz
Commons: (20)  *1R: 5.12.2007  2R: 25.1.2008 (2) (Deb adj - Withdrawn)

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1990 (AMENDMENT) (T)  Bernard Jenkin
Commons: (86)  1R: 11.3.2008 (Not printed)  Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (8)

EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (FINANCE) (G)  Alistair Darling / Lord Davies of Oldham
*RA: 19.2.2008 (Ch. 1)

EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (FINANCE) ACT

EUROPEAN UNION (AMENDMENT) (G)  David Miliband
Lords: (40)  *1R: 12.3.2008  2R: 1.4.2008  Prov Comm: 22 & 29.4; 7, 12, 14 & 20.5.2008

EUROPEAN UNION (AUDIT OF BENEFITS AND COSTS OF UK MEMBERSHIP) (P)  Christopher Chope
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Commons: (32)  
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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 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](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
CO Carry-over or revival motion (To enable Bill to progress through Parliament across more than one session)
BR Bill Reintroduced (Together with any other formal stages necessary to return the Bill to the point it had reached in the previous session)
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)
Rep 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
Debate Bill debated, otherwise the stages are taken formally. In the House of Commons this will be at 7 pm

Prov Provisional date for next stage - date supplied where known, ie prov 2R: 27.1.2004 - provisional second reading 27 January 2004

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

Bircham Dyson Bell LLP, 50 Broadway, Westminster, London, SW1H 0BL, 020 7227 7000
E-mail: pamthompson@bdb-law.co.uk

Eversheds LLP, Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria Street, London, EC4V 4JL, 020 7919 4500
E-mail: monicapeto@eversheds.com

Rees & Freres, 1 The Sanctuary, London, SW1P 3JT, 020 7222 5381
E-mail: enquiries@1thesanctuary.com

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E-mail: parliamentary@sharpepritchard.co.uk

Winckworth Sherwood, 35 Great Peter Street, London, SW1P 3LR, 020 7593 5000
E-mail: agorlov@winckworths.co.uk

Members of Parliament may obtain copies of Private Bills from the Vote Office.
Lords may obtain them from the Lords Private Bill 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: Mick Hillyard (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

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(The Bill is opposed, 1 petition outstanding)

**NORTHERN BANK** (Bircham Dyson Bell LLP)
(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the Commons)

**NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL** (Sharpe Pritchard)
Commons: (2007-08)  1R: 22.1.2008  **Prov 2R**: 24.4.2008
(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the House of Commons)

**READING BOROUGH COUNCIL** (Sharpe Pritchard)
Commons: (2007-08)  1R: 22.1.2008  **Prov 2R**: 24.4.2008
(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the Commons)

**ST. AUSTELL MARKET** (Bircham Dyson Bell LLP)
(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the Commons)

**TRANSPORT FOR LONDON [HL]** (Eversheds LLP)
Commons: (2005-06)  CO: 6.11.2006
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Lords: (2006-07)  CO: 22.10.2007
Commons: (2007-08)  BR: 8.11.2007  **Prov OBC**: 2.4.2008
(The Bill was opposed in both Houses)

**TRANSPORT FOR LONDON (SUPPLEMENTAL TOLL PROVISIONS) [HL]** (Eversheds LLP)
Commons: (2006-07)  CO: 24.10.2007
Lords: (2007-08)  BR: 8.11.2007  **UBC**: No date

**Copy of a Draft Provisional Order deposited under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936**

Aberdeen City Council Provisional Order – Examined on 15th January 2008
Delegated Legislation

Statutory Instruments

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

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

Regulatory Reform Proposals and Orders: Proceedings as at 4 April 2008

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

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

Committee recommendation:

a) a draft order in the same terms as the proposal should be laid before the House
b) proposal should be amended before a draft order is laid before the House
c) the order-making power should not be used in respect of the proposals
d) draft order should be approved † indicates Committee’s recommendation was agreed after a division
e) draft order should not be approved
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Remedial Orders, Draft Remedial Orders and Urgent Procedure Remedial Orders: Proceedings as at 4 April 2008

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.

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### Northern Ireland Legislation: proceedings as at 4 April 2008

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

[For further details on Northern Ireland Legislation, see the Northern Ireland Assembly website: http://www.niassembly.gov.uk/](http://www.niassembly.gov.uk/)

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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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General Committees

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Chairmen: Mr Edward O’Hara and Mr John Bercow

Mr Adrian Bailey  Mr Crispin Blunt  Tom Brake  Mr Russell Brown
Mr Alan Campbell  Mr Douglas Carswell  Mr Vernon Coaker  David T. C. Davies
Mr Dominic Grieve  Andrew Gwynne  Mr David Heath  Mr John Heppell
Mrs Sharon Hodgson  Mr Adam Holloway  Mr Elfyn Llywyd  Mr Tony McNulty
Patrick Mercer  Kali Mountford  Mr Jamie Reed  Martin Salter
Ms Dari Taylor  Mr Ben Wallace  Phil Wilson

Mr Douglas Carswell discharged; Mr Douglas Hogg added

**Local Transport Bill**

Chairmen: Mr David Taylor and Ann Winterton

Norman Baker  Mr Clive Betts  Mr Douglas Carswell  Stephen Hammond
Mrs Siân C. James  Mr David Kidney  Mr Greg Knight  Mr Bob Laxton
Mr John Leech  Kerry McCarthy  Mr Lee Scott  Ms Angela C. Smith
Ian Stewart  Graham Stringer  Mr Dave Watts  Ms Rosie Winterton
Jeremy Wright
General Committee Meetings
31 March – 4 April 2008

Monday 31 March

1st DLC
Draft Early Removal of Short-Term and Long-Term Prisoners (Amendment of requisite period) Order 2008 and Draft Early Removal of Fixed-Term Prisoners (Amendment of Eligibility Period) Order 2008

ESC
Fisheries: control, inspection and sanction systems (16071/07)

Tuesday 1 April

2nd DLC
Draft Immigration (Registration Card) Order 2008

Wednesday 2 April

3rd DLC
Draft Land Registration (Network Access) Rules 2008

Thursday 3 April

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Friday 4 April

None

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Forthcoming General Committee Meetings
21 – 25 April 2008

Monday 21 April

1st DLC
Draft Immigration (Biometric Immigration Document Pilot) Regulations 2008, 4.30pm, Room 9

PBC
Local Transport Bill [HL], (Programming Sub-Committee), 7.00pm, Room 13 (Private)

Tuesday 22 April

PBC
Counter-Terrorism Bill, 10.30am & 4.30pm, Boothroyd Room, PCH

PBC
Local Transport Bill [HL], 10.30am & 4.00pm (tbc), Room 12

ESC
EU Documents Nos. 5489/08 and Addendum 1 and 5862/08 and Addenda 1 to 3 relating to the Reduction of Greenhouse gas Emissions by 2020 and review of the emissions Trading Scheme, 4.30pm, Room 10

Wednesday 23 April

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Thursday 24 April

PBC
Counter-Terrorism Bill, Further to evidence on the Bill, 9.00 am & 1.00pm, Boothroyd Room, PCH

PBC
Local Transport Bill [HL], 9.00am & 1.00pm, Room 12

Friday 25 April

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Membership:
Select Committee Meetings
21 – 25 April

Monday 31 March

Innovation, Universities and Skills Sub-Committee
Subject: Biosecurity in UK Research Laboratories
Witnesses: Veterinary Laboratories Agency, Health Protection Agency, Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council, and the Medical Research Council; Institute for Animal Health, the Society for General Microbiology, and the Institute of Safety in Technology and Research

Public Accounts
Subject: Increasing employment rates for ethnic minorities
Witnesses: Sir Leigh Lewis KCB, Permanent Secretary, Nahid Majid OBE, Deputy Director, Area Initiatives and Communities Division, Department for Work and Pensions, and Chris Hayes, Director for London, Jobcentre Plus

Tuesday 1 April

Regulatory Reform
Subject: Getting Results: The Better Regulation Executive and the Impact of the Regulatory Reform Agenda
Witnesses: Institute of Directors, Confederation of British Industry, Federation of Small Businesses and British Chambers of Commerce

Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
Subject: Turkey: Trade and EU Accession
Witnesses: CBI and Turkish-British Business Council

Culture, Media and Sport*
Subject: Harmful content on the Internet and in video games
Witnesses: Google; Dr Tanya Byron

Defence
Subject: Recruitment and retention in the Armed Forces
Witnesses: SaBRE; Institute of Career Guidance; Armor Group and Control Risks

Communities and Local Government*
Subject: Community Cohesion and Migration
Witnesses: Darra Singh, Chair of the Commission on Integration and Cohesion; University and College Union and Advisory Board on Naturalisation and Integration; Sarah Spencer CBE, Centre on Migration, Policy and Society, and Professor Richard Black, Sussex Centre for Migration Research, University of Sussex

Justice*
Subject: Devolution: A Decade On
Witnesses: Rt Hon Lord Barnett

Wednesday 2 April

Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
Subject: Creating a Higher Value-Added Economy
Witnesses: National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts and The Work Foundation

Foreign Affairs
Subject: Global Security: Japan and Korea
Witnesses: Ms Norma Kang Muico, Amnesty International; Sir Stephen Gomersall KCMG and Dr Jim Hoare

European Scrutiny
Subject: Scrutiny of European Documents
Witnesses:
Transport
Subject: The Blue Badge (Disabled Parking) Reform Strategy
Witnesses: Rob Smith, Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee and Mobilise; Disability Alliance, Help the Aged, Citizens Advice and Technical Advisors Group; Rt Hon Rosie Winterton MP, Minister of State, and Miranda Carter, Head of Accessibility and Equalities Unit, Department for Transport

Environmental Audit
Subject: Climate change and local, regional and devolved government
Witnesses: Phil Woolas MP, Minister of State, Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, and Iain Wright MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Communities and Local Government

Northern Ireland Affairs
Subject: Policing and Criminal Justice in Northern Ireland
Witnesses: British Irish Rights Watch; Northern Ireland Retired Police Officers’ Association

Public Accounts*
Subject: Preparing for sporting success at the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games and beyond
Witnesses: Jonathan Stephens, Permanent Secretary, Department for Culture, Media and Sport, and John Steele, Chief Executive, and Liz Nicholl OBE, Director of Elite Sport, UK Sport

Thursday 3 April

Public Administration*
Subject: Parliamentary Commissions of Inquiry
Witnesses: Rt Hon Lord Hurd of Westwell CH CBE, Rt Hon Lord Owen CH, Rt Hon Sir Menzies Campbell CBE QC MP and Adam Price MP

Health
Subject: Health Inequalities
Witnesses: NHS Confederation, Tower Hamlets PCT, and Heart of Birmingham PCT; Liverpool PCT, Liverpool City Council, and the Healthcare Commission

Friday 4 April
None

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**Forthcoming Select Committee Meetings**
**21 – 25 April 2008**

**Monday 21 April**

**Children, Schools and Families**
Subject: Looked-after children
Witnesses: Professor Ian Sinclair, Research Professor, Children and Young People’s Social Work Team, University of York; Robert Tapsfield, Chief Executive, The Fostering Network; and Kevin Williams, Chief Executive, The Adolescent and Children’s Trust

3:45pm  The Wilson Room, Portcullis House

**Innovation, Universities, Science and Skills Sub Committee**
Subject: Biosecurity in UK Research Laboratories
Witnesses: Lord McKenzie, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department for Work and Pensions; Rt Hon Dawn Primarolo MP, Minister of State, Department of Health; Ian Pearson MP, Minister of State, Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills; and Rt Hon Lord Rooker of Perry Bar, Minister of State, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

4:15pm  The Grimond Room, Portcullis House

**Tuesday 22 April**

**Treasury**
Subject: Inherited Estate
Witnesses: Mr Peter Vicary-Smith, Chief Executive, Which?; Clare Spottiswoode CBE, Policyholder Advocate for Norwich Union (at 10.15 a.m.); and Mr Hector Sants, Chief Executive, Financial Services Authority (at 11.00 a.m.)

9:45am  The Thatcher Room, Portcullis House

**Business and Enterprise & Culture, Media and Sport**
Subject: Ofcom Annual Plan 2008–09
Witnesses: Lord Currie of Marylebone, Chairman, and Ed Richards, Chief Executive Officer, Ofcom

10:30am Committee Room 16, Palace of Westminster

**Defence**
Subject: Recruitment and retention in the Armed Forces
Witnesses: Ministry of Defence officials

10:30am  The Grimond Room, Portcullis House

**International Development**
Subject: The World Food Programme and Global Food Security
Witnesses: Josette Sheeran, Executive Director, World Food Programme

10:30am  Committee Room 6, Palace of Westminster

**Home Affairs**
Subject: Policing in the 21st Century
Witnesses: Association of Chief Police Officers and National Policing Improvement Agency; Custody Sergeant, Acton Police Station, Metropolitan Police (at 11.30 a.m.); Paul Carne (at 11.50 a.m.)

10:30am  The Wilson Room, Portcullis House

**Innovation, Universities, Science and Schools**
Subject: Investigating the oceans
Witnesses: Rt Hon Hilary Benn MP, Secretary of State, and Professor Robert Watson, Chief Scientific Adviser, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

2:00pm  The Wilson Room, Portcullis House

**Public Administration**
Subject: Draft Constitutional Renewal Bill
Witnesses: Sir Gus O’Donnell KCB, Rt Hon Ed Miliband MP

2:15pm  Committee Room 15, Palace of Westminster
**Wednesday 23 April**

**Foreign Affairs**
Subject: Scrutiny of Senior Diplomatic Appointments  
Witnesses: Mr Jack McConnell MSP  
2:30pm The Grimond Room, Portcullis House

**European Scrutiny**
Subject: Scrutiny of European Documents  
Witnesses:  
2:30pm Committee Room 19, Palace of Westminster

**Transport**
Subject: Road Safety  
Witnesses: Automobile Association, Motorcycle Action Group, Association of British Drivers, Road Haulage Association and Unite – the Union (Transport & General Workers section); Play England, Help the Aged, Living Streets and CTC (at 3.45 p.m.)  
2:45pm Committee Room 6, Palace of Westminster

**Public Accounts**
Subject: (i) Evasion of vehicle excise duty (ii) National Probation  
Witnesses: The supervision of Community Orders in England (i) Stephen Hickey, Director-General, Safety, Service Delivery and Logistics Group, Anthony Boucher, Statistics Directorate, Department for Transport and Noel Shanahan, Chief Executive, DVLA (ii) Sir Suma Chakrabarti KCB, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Justice and Phil Wheatley, Director-General, HM Prison Service  
3:30pm Committee Room 15, Palace of Westminster

**Thursday 24 April**

**International Development**
Subject: DFID and the African Development Bank  
Witnesses: Gillian Merron MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for International Development  
10:30am The Grimond Room, Portcullis House

**Friday 25 April**

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(Subject Matters are in brackets)

Monday 21 April

European Union Sub-Committee B (a) 4.05pm (b) 4.35pm
Evidence will be heard from (a) Lord Oxburgh; and from (b) Professor Catherine Mitchell, Professor of Energy Policy, University of Exeter; and Professor Goran Strbac, Professor of Electrical Energy Systems, Imperial College London.
(EU’s 20% Renewable Energy Target)

Tuesday 22 April

None

Wednesday 23 April

Communications Committee (a) 10.15am (b) 11.15am
Evidence will be heard from (a) Mr Paul Myners, Chairman, Guardian Media Group; and (b) Ms Sly Bailey, Chief Executive, and Mr Paul Vickers, Secretary and Group Legal Director, Trinity Mirror.
(Media Ownership and the News)

European Union Sub-Committee D 11.00am
Evidence will be heard from Sam Lambourn, Chairman, North Western Waters Regional Advisory Council (RACs); and from Ann Bell, Executive Secretary, and Hugo Anderson, Chairman, North Sea Regional Advisory Council.
(Inquiry into the Common Fisheries Policy)

Finance Bill Sub-Committee 4.15pm
Evidence will be heard from Malcolm Gammie QC.
(Finance Bill 2008)

European Union Sub-Committee E 4.15pm
Evidence will be heard from witnesses tbc.
(Initiation of EU Legislation)

Thursday 24 April

None
Select Committees: Publications received since the last Bulletin

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- Intelligence, Surveillance, Target Acquisition and Reconnaissance: Inquiry announced; Written evidence invited; Deadline for submissions 18 April
- Defence Equipment: Oral evidence concluded; Report in preparation
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- UK Defence: commitments and resources: Oral evidence concluded; Further written evidence invited

### Environmental Audit
- Making Government operations more sustainable: A progress check: Inquiry announced; Written evidence invited; Deadline for submissions 11 April
- Greener Homes for the future? An environmental analysis of the Government’s house-building plans: Inquiry announced; Written evidence invited; Deadline for submissions 25 April
- Post-Kyoto: The International Context for Progress on Climate Change: Oral evidence concluded; Report in preparation
- Climate change and local, regional and devolved government: Oral evidence concluded; Report in preparation
- Challenge of Climate change: Oral evidence in progress
- Reducing carbon emissions from UK business: The Voluntary Carbon Offset Market: Report published 10 March
- Personal Carbon Allowances: Government response published 17 March
- Environmental Labelling: Oral evidence concluded; Report in preparation

### Environment, Food & Rural Affairs
- Draft Marine Bill: Pre-legislative scrutiny announced
- Committee on Climate Change: One-off oral evidence session concluded
- Defra science: Invitation to help frame inquiry; Deadline for submissions 27 March
- Energy efficiency and fuel poverty: Invitation to help frame inquiry; Deadline for submissions 2 April 2008
- Defra’s Departmental Report 2007 & Defra priorities: Oral evidence in progress; Next evidence sessions 30 April

### Environment, Food & Rural Affairs Sub-committee
- Flooding: Oral evidence concluded; Report in preparation
- Climate Change: international policy post-2012: Written evidence invited
- The potential of England’s rural economy: Oral evidence in progress; Next evidence session 7 May

### European Scrutiny
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Foreign Affairs

Human Rights

Inquiry announced: written evidence invited
Deadline for submissions 22 April

Global Security: Japan and Korea

Oral evidence in progress
Next evidence session 2 April

European Council

Oral evidence in progress

Developments in the European Union

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Health

Health Inequalities

Oral evidence in progress
Next evidence session 30 April:
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Dental Services


Modernising Medical Careers


Human Trafficking

Oral evidence in progress
Next evidence session 29 April

Home Affairs

A Surveillance Society?


Policing in the 21st Century

Oral evidence in progress
next evidence session 22 April

UK Immigration Issues

Evidence published 4 February

Work of the Serious Organised Crime Agency

Oral evidence concluded
Evidence published 17 March

Domestic Violence


Towards Effective Sentencing

Oral evidence in progress

Identity Cards: data security issues

One-off evidence session concluded 26 February

Joint Committee on Human Rights

Immigration and Human Rights

Oral evidence in progress

The human rights of adults with learning difficulties

Report published 6 March

Data Protection and Human Rights

Report published 14 March

British Bill of Rights

Oral evidence in progress

The Use of Restraint in Secure training Centres

Report published 7 March

Innovation, Universities, Science & Skills

The Office of Fair Access

Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited
Deadline for submissions 1 May

Investigating the oceans

Oral evidence in progress
Next evidence session 22 April

After Leitch: implementing skills and training policies

Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited
Deadline for submissions 18 April

Renewable Electricity- Generation Technologies


Engineering

Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited
Deadline for submissions 14 March

The Leitch Review of Skills

Inquiry announced
Re-scheduled for 28 April

Renewable Energy Generation Technologies

Inquiry announced written evidence invited

Science Budget Allocations


Innovation, Universities, Science & Skills Sub-Committee on the Copyright Tribunal

The Work and operation of the copyright tribunal

Report published 20 March

Biosecurity in UK research laboratories

Oral evidence in progress
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International Development

Co-ordination for Aid Effectiveness

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The World Food Programme and Global Food Security

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### Other Papers


European Communities Documents to be considered
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Enquiries can be directed to the European Scrutiny Select Committee office on 020 7219 5467/1548.

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Total number of seats: 646

The total number of women MPs is 126

Current working Government Majority: 67

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