
Report Stage: Tuesday 8 July 2025

Football Governance Bill [HL], As Amended

(Amendment Paper)

This document lists all amendments tabled to the Football Governance Bill [HL]. Any withdrawn amendments are listed at the end of the document. The amendments are arranged in the order in which it is expected they will be decided.

This document should be read alongside the Speaker's provisional selection and grouping, which sets out the order in which the amendments will be debated.

★ New Amendments.

New Amendment: 30

Mr Louie French**NC1**

Mr Peter Bedford
Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris

Paul Holmes	Mr Gagan	Gareth Bacon
Peter Fortune	Mohindra	Lincoln Jopp
Clive Efford	Joy Morrissey	

To move the following Clause—

“Alcohol at football grounds

Within one year of the passing of this Act the Secretary of State must consult on lifting the ban on consuming alcohol in view of the pitch in the top five tiers of the men's game in England.”

Max Wilkinson**NC2**

Mr Lee Dillon

To move the following Clause—

“Duty not to promote or engage in advertising and sponsorship related to gambling

A regulated club or English football competition must not promote or engage in advertising or sponsorship related to gambling.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause prevents regulated clubs and competitions from promoting or engaging in gambling advertising or sponsorship.

Max Wilkinson

NC3

Mr Lee Dillon

Luke Taylor

Mr Joshua Reynolds

Calum Miller

Tom Morrison

Zöe Franklin

Caroline Voaden

James

MacCleary

Jess

Brown-Fuller

Tom Gordon

Munira Wilson

Steve Darling

Daisy Cooper

John Milne

Charlotte Cane

Edward Morello

Sarah Olney

Anna Sabine

David Chadwick

To move the following Clause—

“Free to air coverage

- (1) The Independent Football Regulator must require that every season—
 - (a) at least ten Premier League football matches,
 - (b) the League Cup Final, and
 - (c) the Championship, League One and League Two playoff finalsare made available for live broadcast on free-to-air television channels in the United Kingdom.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(a) the matches must include a representative selection across different clubs and times in the season, subject to reasonable considerations of scheduling and broadcasting logistics.
- (3) In this section “free-to-air television” means a service that satisfies the qualifying conditions of such a service defined by Section 2 of the 1996 Communications Act.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would mandate a minimum of ten Premier League matches, the League Cup Final and the Championship, League One and League Two playoff finals on free-to-air television channels.

Max Wilkinson

NC4

Mr Lee Dillon

To move the following Clause—

“Fan representation: mandatory golden share

- (1) A licensed club must, as a condition of holding a licence under section 15, issue a non-transferable golden share to a recognised Supporters’ Trust or equivalent democratic fan organisation.
- (2) The golden share must confer on its holder the right to veto any proposal by the club to—
 - (a) relocate the club’s home ground outside its current local authority area,
 - (b) change the club’s name,
 - (c) materially alter the club’s primary colours or badge, or
 - (d) enter into or withdraw from any competition not sanctioned by the Football Association, the Premier League, or the English Football League.
- (3) A licensed club must—
 - (a) consult the holder of the golden share on any material changes to the club’s ownership, governance, or strategic direction,

- (b) provide the holder with access to relevant financial and governance information reasonably required to fulfil its function, and
 - (c) facilitate structured and regular engagement between the club and the holder of the golden share.
- (4) The Regulator must monitor compliance with this section and may—
 - (a) issue guidance to clubs and Supporters' Trusts on the operation of the golden share,
 - (b) impose licence conditions or financial penalties for non-compliance, and
 - (c) take enforcement action where a club fails to uphold the rights associated with the golden share.
- (5) In this section—
 - (a) "Supporters' Trust" means a formally constituted, democratic, not-for-profit organisation that is recognised by the Regulator as representing the interests of a club's supporters;
 - (b) "golden share" means a special share or equivalent legal instrument issued to a Supporters' Trust, entitling its holder to the rights and protections described in this section."

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would give fans a veto on club proposals, exercised through a recognised Supporters' Trust or equivalent democratic fan body.

Max Wilkinson

NC5

Mr Lee Dillon

To move the following Clause—

“Protection of assets of regulated clubs

- (1) Where any of the following assets belong to a regulated club, the asset must not be removed from the club's ownership or used as collateral for a secured loan—
 - (a) any stadium,
 - (b) any training facility,
 - (c) any trophies,
 - (d) any car park,
 - (e) any hotel.
- (2) But subsection 1 does not apply to a car park or a hotel where—
 - (a) the regulated club can demonstrate to the IFR's satisfaction that the asset is causing financial loss or poses a material risk to the club's financial sustainability, and

- (b) the IFR has provided prior written approval for the disposal of the asset or the use of the asset as collateral.
- (3) Where the current owner of a regulated club owns any asset listed in subsection (1)(a) to (c), the owner may not sell the club unless the owner has inserted the asset into the club's ownership structure."

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would ensure that the club assets listed above are recognised as the inalienable property of the club rather than the club's owners.

Alex Sobel

NC6

Chris Evans
Kim Johnson
Ms Stella Creasy
Iqbal Mohamed
Liz Jarvis

To move the following Clause—

**“Financial abuse, mismanagement or fraud:
protection etc**

- (1) The IFR must, in any strategy it publishes, set out measures aimed at achieving the financial abuse, mismanagement and fraud objective.
- (2) Measures to be set out under subsection (1) must include oversight of—

- (a) robust education for relevant players on matters relating to financial abuse, mismanagement and fraud,
 - (b) industry wide standards aimed at relevant players in relation to those matters, and
 - (c) an equitable system of support and redress for relevant players where they have been affected by those matters.
- (3) In this section, a “relevant player” means a current or former player in English football who—
 - (a) has been a victim of financial abuse, mismanagement, or fraud, or
 - (b) is at risk of becoming a victim of financial abuse, mismanagement, or fraud.”

Max Wilkinson

NC7

Monica Harding

To move the following Clause—

“Human rights and modern slavery considerations

- (1) When considering whether a person (“A”) satisfies the requirement in section 26(7)(c), the Regulator shall have regard to (among other things)—
 - (a) whether A has been complicit in any egregious or consistent violation of international human rights law, whether

- of any international human rights treaty, customary law, or other instrument,
- (b) whether A has been convicted, cautioned or reprimanded or complicit in any egregious or consistent violation of domestic human rights legislation, including breaching provisions in the UK Modern Slavery Act 2015 or equivalent national legislation,
 - (c) whether A has been subject to a Slavery and Trafficking Prevention Order,
 - (d) whether A has been found liable in a civil claim relating to a human rights violation,
 - (e) whether A has been convicted of an offence, cautioned or reprimanded for failing to comply with their human rights and modern slavery reporting and due diligence obligations under applicable domestic legislation,
 - (f) any representations made by A or the club in accordance with the notice.
- (2) In subsection (1)—
- (a) where A is a body corporate or other non-corporeal entity (including a government or nation state), the Regulator shall consider the actions of anyone who controls that body corporate or entity (and “control” shall have the meaning given in section 255 of the Companies Act 2006), and

- (b) the Regulator shall have absolute discretion to determine whether conduct falls within any of the categories in paragraphs (a) to (d).
- (3) In respect of subsection (1)(c) and (d), a risk of disrepute shall not be valid grounds for disqualification of any person if such disrepute would, in the reasonable opinion of the Regulator, be unfounded.
- (4) In accordance with Schedule 2, Part 2, paragraph 15, the Regulator may establish a committee or committees to discharge its functions under this Clause.”

Iqbal Mohamed

NC8

Sorcha Eastwood

To move the following Clause—

“Duty to address ticketing market practices

Regulated clubs and competition organisers must take reasonable steps to—

- (a) monitor practices in the secondary ticketing market that may lead to excessive price mark-ups or unauthorised resale;
- (b) provide transparent information about ticket pricing and resale policies, including the face value of tickets; and

- (c) provide official ticket exchange channels where reasonably practicable.”

Mr Clive Betts

NC9

Clive Efford

To move the following Clause—

“Prioritisation of competitions within English football

- (1) This section applies where a regulated club is participating in a competition outside of English Football.
- (2) Where the IFR considers that the regulated club’s participation in the competition is damaging to the heritage of English football, the IFR must take what measures it considers necessary to prevent that damage.
- (3) Measures that the IFR might take include a direction to the club that it—
 - (a) prioritise any fixtures taking place in a competition within English football over those in the competition outside of English football;
 - (b) cease participation in the competition outside of English football.”

Mr Louie French**NC10**

Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan	Gareth Bacon	Peter Fortune
Mohindra	Lincoln Jopp	
Joy Morrissey		

To move the following Clause—

“Player welfare

Within one year of the passing of this Act the Secretary of State must review how to improve the welfare of football players. This review should include consideration of—

- (a) neurodegenerative diseases incurred by heading footballs;
- (b) the number of games that footballers are required to play each season; and
- (c) the impact on the welfare of current and former professional footballers as a result.”

NC11

Mr Louie French

Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan	Gareth Bacon	Peter Fortune
Mohindra	Lincoln Jopp	
Joy Morrissey		

To move the following Clause—

“Correspondence about the IFR

- (1) The Secretary of State must publish any correspondence received by the Secretary of State from the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) and the Union of European Football Associations (UEFA) about the IFR’s exercise of its functions.
- (2) The IFR must publish any correspondence it receives from the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) and the Union of European Football Associations (UEFA) about the exercise of its functions.”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would require correspondence between FIFA and UEFA and either the Secretary of State, or the IFR, with regards to the IFR’s regulatory functions, to be published.

Mr Louie French**NC12**

Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan	Gareth Bacon	Peter Fortune
Mohindra	Lincoln Jopp	
Joy Morrissey		

To move the following Clause—

**“Impact on Regulator of changes in
Government administration**

If the Department for Culture Media and Sport is abolished, or its functions in relation to football substantially relocated, the Government must automatically review the suitability of the continuation of the IFR and the impact that the abolition or relocation will have on the IFR. ”

Member's explanatory statement

This new clause would require the Government to review the IFR in the instance that the Department for Culture, Media and Sport were abolished, or its functions substantially altered.

Chris Evans

NC13

Debbie Abrahams

John Whitby

To move the following Clause—

“Neurodegenerative care scheme

- (1) The IFR must establish and supervise a scheme aimed at providing a high standard of care and support to any person who has developed a neurodegenerative condition linked to their career in English football.
- (2) The Secretary of State must make regulations setting out—
 - (a) minimum requirements for the scheme,
 - (b) a timescale for the scheme’s establishment, and
 - (c) arrangements and a timescale for a periodic review of the scheme.
- (3) The IFR must ensure that, as a condition of organising any competition specified pursuant to section 2(3), all specified competition organisers jointly operate, manage and fund the scheme in accordance with subsections (4) to (8).
- (4) For the purpose of operating, managing and funding the scheme, all of the specified competition organisers must form a Joint Coordinating Committee (“JCC”).

- (5) Any current or former player who has at any time been registered as a professional footballer is eligible for the scheme.
- (6) The scheme must provide care and financial support to any eligible person who suffers from a neurodegenerative condition which is deemed, pursuant to subsection (7)(a), to have been caused or contributed to by playing or training activities within English football.
- (7) The JCC must, under the supervision of the IFR, appoint a panel of independent experts—
 - (a) to determine whether, on the balance of probabilities, a neurodegenerative condition of an eligible person has been caused or contributed to by playing or training activities within English football, and
 - (b) to determine the appropriate provision of care and financial support required in the case of each eligible person.
- (8) The IFR must ensure that the JCC acts upon the panel's determinations.
- (9) Where—
 - (a) specified competition owners, through the JCC, cannot agree about the operation, management or funding of the scheme, or
 - (b) at any time, the scheme does not meet either—

(i) the aim under subsection (1), or
(ii) any requirements set out in regulations under subsection (2),
the Secretary of State may, having taken advice from the IFR, make a direction about the operation, management or funding of the scheme.”

Iqbal Mohamed
Sorcha Eastwood

NC14

To move the following Clause—

“Duty to vet financial investment in football clubs

- (1) The IFR must review and approve all proposed financial investments in regulated clubs from funds which are located outside of the United Kingdom.
- (2) A review under subsection (1) must include—
 - (a) assessing if any sources of revenue for such a fund is the result of money laundering;
 - (b) assessing if the owner of such a fund is charged with any breaches of UK or international law.
- (3) If upon completing a review under subsection (1) the IFR has determined a source of revenue for a fund is the result of money

laundering or the owner of a fund is in breach of UK or international law the IFR must direct the club to reject the investment.”

Mr Louie French

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Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan Gareth Bacon Peter Fortune
Mohindra Lincoln Jopp
Joy Morrissey

Clause 2, page 2, line 31, leave out subsection (3) and insert—

“(3) For the purposes of this Act a “specified competition” includes—

- (a) the Premier League,
- (b) the English Football League, and
- (c) the National League.

(3A) The Secretary of State may by regulations made by statutory instrument subject to approval by both Houses of Parliament amend the competitions specified in section (3).”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would specify the leagues that are to be classed as “specified competitions” under Act.

Max Wilkinson**3**

Liz Jarvis
Mr Lee Dillon
Manuela Perteghella
Mr Will Forster
Steff Aquarone

Clause 6, page 5, line 14, at end insert—

“(d) to ensure that the care and support of people who have developed neurodegenerative conditions linked to their career in English football forms part of any strategy published by the IFR, and to oversee an equitable and fair industry financial scheme to provide care for those people.”

Alex Sobel**12**

Chris Evans
Kim Johnson
Ms Stella Creasy
Iqbal Mohamed
Liz Jarvis

Clause 6, page 5, line 14, at end insert—

“(d) to take responsibility for the protection, financial welfare, and safeguarding of current and former players involved in English football who—

- (i) have been victims of financial abuse, mismanagement, or fraud, or
- (ii) are at risk of becoming victims of financial abuse, mismanagement, or fraud, (referred to in this Act as “the financial abuse, mismanagement and fraud objective”).”

Chris Evans

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Debbie Abrahams
John Whitby

Clause 6, page 5, line 14, at end insert—

“(d) to ensure that the care and support of those who have developed neurodegenerative conditions linked to their career in English football is a central part of its approach to football governance, and to establish and supervise the scheme provided for under section [Neurodegenerative care scheme].”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment places an objective on the IFR to establish and supervise a scheme to provide care and support to those who have developed neurodegenerative conditions linked to their career in English football (see NC13).

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Mr Louie French

Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan	Gareth Bacon	Peter Fortune
Mohindra	Lincoln Jopp	
Joy Morrissey		

Clause 7, page 5, line 27, at end insert—

“(d) conflicts with any regulations or rules of international football governing bodies, including FIFA and UEFA.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment requires the IFR to exercise its functions so as to avoid conflicts with the regulations and rules of international footballing bodies.

1**Mr Louie French**

Mr Peter Bedford
Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris

Paul Holmes	Mr Gagan	Gareth Bacon
Peter Fortune	Mohindra	Lincoln Jopp
	Joy Morrissey	

Clause 10, page 7, line 6, at end insert—

“(d) an assessment of the impact that the IFR’s activities have had on the price of match tickets.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the IFR to include in its state of the game report the impact that its regulatory activities have had on ticket prices.

21**Mr Louie French**

Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan	Gareth Bacon	Peter Fortune
Mohindra	Lincoln Jopp	
Joy Morrissey		

Clause 11, page 7, line 41, at end insert—

“(7) No football governance statement may have effect unless approved by resolution of both Houses of Parliament.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the football governance statement to be approved by Parliament before it could have effect.

Mr Louie French

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Mr Peter Bedford

Clause 14, page 9, line 3, at end insert—

“(aa) the impact that the IFR’s activities have had on the price of match tickets, and”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the IFR to include in its annual report the impact that its regulatory activities have had on ticket prices.

28**Mr Louie French**

Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan Gareth Bacon Peter Fortune
Mohindra Lincoln Jopp
Joy Morrissey

Clause 14, page 9, line 3, at end insert—

“(aa) the cumulative impact of the costs imposed on clubs through compliance with the IFR’s regulatory regime, and”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would require the IFR to include in the annual report an account of the financial costs imposed on clubs through its regulatory requirements on them.

Mr Louie French

Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan Gareth Bacon Peter Fortune
Mohindra Lincoln Jopp
Joy Morrissey

Clause 17, page 11, line 27, leave out subsection (9) and insert—

- “(9) The IFR must make the decision whether to grant a regulated club a provisional operating licence within the period of one month.
- (10) The IFR may extend the period in subsection (9) by no more than two weeks if it requires more time to consider the application due to—
- (a) unusual staffing pressures, or
 - (b) discrepancies or abnormalities with the application.
- (11) If the IFR extends the period as per subsection (10), it must give a notice to the relevant club stating—
- (a) that the period has been extended,
 - (b) the length of the extension, and
 - (c) the reasons for the extension.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment places a time limit of one month for the IFR to decide whether to grant a provisional operating license.

Max Wilkinson

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★ Clause 26, page 19, line 20, at end insert—

“(c) respects and promotes the protection of human rights and prevents modern slavery (as set out in section [*Human rights and modern slavery considerations*]).”

Mr Louie French

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Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan Gareth Bacon Peter Fortune
Mohindra Lincoln Jopp
Joy Morrissey

Clause 37, page 28, line 28, at end insert—

“(fa) whether the individual is a member of a proscribed organisation as per section (3) and schedule (2) of the Terrorism Act 2000. ”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment requires that IFR, in determining whether an owner or officer has the requisite honesty or integrity, to consider whether the person is a member of an organisation proscribed under the Terrorism Act 2000.

Mr Clive Betts

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Clive Efford

Clause 46, page 39, line 5, at end insert—

“(c) in the case of a disposal under subsection (1)(a), it has taken reasonable steps to establish that the majority of the club’s fans domiciled in England and Wales approve of the disposal.”

Mr Clive Betts

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Clive Efford

Clause 46, page 39, line 5, at end insert—

“(6A) Before the IFR grants an approval under subsection (6) it must—

(a) consult the supporters of the body in question, the relevant competition organisers and persons representing the local community with which the body is associated, and

(b) have regard to the views expressed by those consulted.”

Mr Louie French

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Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan Gareth Bacon Peter Fortune
Mohindra Lincoln Jopp
Joy Morrissey

Clause 53, page 42, line 3, at end insert—

“(1A) But the IFR may not require a club with fewer than 10 full time equivalent employees to pay the IFR a levy in respect of a chargeable period during which the club is a licensed club.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would exempt clubs with fewer than 10 full time equivalent employees from having to pay the levy.

Stephanie Peacock

Gov **4**

Clause 59, page 48, line 34, leave out “a” and insert “the”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment corrects a grammatical error.

Stephanie Peacock

Gov **5**

Clause 83, page 67, line 40, leave out “14” and insert “28”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment increases the time period for the Board of the IFR to carry out an internal review of a reviewable decision from 14 to 28 days.

Stephanie Peacock

Gov **6**

Clause 83, page 68, line 2, leave out “14” and insert “28”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment increases the time period for a committee of the Expert Panel of the IFR to carry out an internal review of a reviewable decision from 14 to 28 days.

Stephanie Peacock

Gov **7**

Clause 83, page 68, line 5, leave out “within” and insert “before the end of”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment is to ensure consistency with the wording used in subsections (4) and (6) of clause 83.

Mr Louie French

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Stuart Andrew

Saqib Bhatti

Joe Robertson

Rebecca Harris

Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan

Gareth Bacon

Peter Fortune

Mohindra

Lincoln Jopp

Joy Morrissey

Schedule 2, page 87, line 12, at end insert—

“(3A) Any political interests of, and political donations made by, the prospective chair of the Board, must all be declared as part of the appointments process, and published before the chair’s pre-appointment hearing with the Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee.”

Mr Louie French

Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan	Gareth Bacon	Peter Fortune
Mohindra	Lincoln Jopp	
Joy Morrissey		

Schedule 2, page 87, line 37, at end insert—

“(5) No member may be appointed to the Board if they currently have any broadcast or media interests or any role in a television or media broadcast that relates to football.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment prohibits any person who currently has any interests or roles in a television or media broadcast that relates to football from being appointed to the Board.

Mr Louie French**23**

Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan	Gareth Bacon	Peter Fortune
Mohindra	Lincoln Jopp	
Joy Morrissey		

Schedule 2, page 88, line 37, at end insert—

“(1A) But the number of persons in the employment of IFR (including any persons seconded to the IFR) must at no time exceed 50.”

Mr Louie French**22**

Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan	Gareth Bacon	Peter Fortune
Mohindra	Lincoln Jopp	
Joy Morrissey		

Schedule 2, page 89, line 9, leave out subparagraph (3) and insert—

“(3) The IFR may pay a person appointed as the Chief Executive no more than £172,153 per annum.

(3A) Notwithstanding the remuneration of the Chief Executive Officer as per paragraph (3), the IFR must pay its employees such remuneration as may be determined by the non-executive members.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment limits the pay of the Chief Executive.

Mr Louie French

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Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan	Gareth Bacon	Peter Fortune
Mohindra	Lincoln Jopp	
Joy Morrissey		

Schedule 2, page 93, line 5, at end insert—

“(4A) No member may be appointed to the Expert Panel if they currently have any broadcast or media interests or any role in a television or media broadcast that relates to football.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment prohibits any person who currently has any interests or roles in a television or media broadcast that relates to football from being appointed to the Expert Panel.

Mr Louie French

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Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan Gareth Bacon Peter Fortune
Mohindra Lincoln Jopp
Joy Morrissey

Schedule 4, page 99, line 37, at end insert—

“(f) the club’s political statements and positions.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment ensures that clubs have to engage their fans on the political statements a club might adopt.

Mr Clive Betts

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Clive Efford

Schedule 5, page 100, line 26, at end insert—

“(e) an Asset of Community Value condition.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment adds the requirement to attach an Asset of Community Value condition to each club operating licence.

Mr Louie French

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Stuart Andrew

Saqib Bhatti

Joe Robertson

Rebecca Harris

Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan

Gareth Bacon

Peter Fortune

Mohindra

Lincoln Jopp

Joy Morrissey

Schedule 5, page 102, line 7, at end insert
“including the club’s official charity.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would make clear that the activities of a football club’s official charity can be counted towards it meeting the corporate governance code.

Mr Louie French**17**

Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti
Joe Robertson
Rebecca Harris
Paul Holmes

Mr Gagan Gareth Bacon Peter Fortune
Mohindra Lincoln Jopp
Joy Morrissey

Schedule 5, page 102, line 13, leave out sub-paragraph (e)

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment removes the requirement for the corporate governance statement to cover what action the club is taking to improve equality, diversity and inclusion.

Mr Clive Betts**13**

Clive Efford

Schedule 5, page 102, line 33, at end insert—

“(1A) The IFR must ensure that the persons referred to in subsections 1(a) and 1(b) are representative of the majority of the club’s fanbase and represent the club’s key supporters’ groups.

- (1B) If it is unclear which are a club's key supporters' groups the IFR must consult with the Football Supporter's Association to determine which groups apply for the purposes of this paragraph."

Mr Clive Betts

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Clive Efford

Schedule 5, page 103, line 20, at end insert—

"Asset of Community Value

11A The Asset of Community Value condition is a condition requiring a club to either—

- (a) obtain and maintain Asset of Community Value status for its home ground; or
 - (b) incorporate into its Articles of Association a restriction which substantially mirrors the restrictions placed on Assets of Community Value under the Localism Act 2011,
- and the Secretary of State may create regulations detailing further the implementation of the Asset of Community Value condition."

Member's explanatory statement

The amendment defines the Asset of Community Value condition that clubs are required to obtain

for their home ground and is consequential on Amendment 10.

Order of the House

[28 April 2025]

That the following provisions shall apply to the Football Governance Bill [Lords]:

Committal

1. The Bill shall be committed to a Public Bill Committee.

Proceedings in Public Bill Committee

2. Proceedings in the Public Bill Committee shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion on Thursday 26 June 2025.
3. The Public Bill Committee shall have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it meets.

Consideration and Third Reading

4. Proceedings on Consideration shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour before the moment of interruption on the day on which those proceedings are commenced.
5. Proceedings on Third Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at the moment of interruption on that day.

6. Standing Order No. 83B (Programming committees) shall not apply to proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading.

Other proceedings

7. Any other proceedings on the Bill may be programmed.