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The WIB at 1000

Incredibly this is the 1000th Edition and the 30th Anniversary of the first publication of the Weekly Information Bulletin, known affectionately by many of us as the WIB.

WIB 1 (issued on 4 November 1978) was a pioneering innovation from the House of Commons Information Office which will itself celebrate its 30th birthday later this year. It has faithfully brought together in a compact format everything you might need to know about what is coming up in Parliament as well as other handy facts. It is and has always been a no nonsense, no frills publication that gets you to what you want to find fast. Its endurance is a tribute to its usefulness to Members of Parliament and others inside and outside of the Westminster Village.

The WIB has trail-blazed for many other innovations in the communication of what is going on in Parliament to the public at large. In the early years it was exploring uncharted territory but now can look with pride at the wide range of services available to engage the public with the work of Parliament:

- The website has improved beyond all recognition in the last two years as a first port of call for information relevant to the work and role of Parliament past, present and future.
- The welcome Parliament provides to visitors has been transformed over the last five years or so with a range of services suited to the casual passer by or a specifically arranged school trip.
- The services available to those who do not visit or use the website have also blossomed from the original telephone bureau and hardcopy materials like the factsheets and WIB to encompass media and broadcasting services, a guide for all new voters, citizenship teaching and broader outreach.

Across all our services we are keen to carry on innovating; making what we provide more useful. If you would like to let us know your views on the WIB or our other services please e-mail (hcinfo@parliament.uk), come to the information desk in Westminster Hall if you are visiting or call us on (020 7219 4272).

John Pullinger
Librarian and Director General, Information Services
The WIB at 1000

2008 is a very special year for the House of Commons Information Office. We are celebrating our 30th Anniversary, the 30th Anniversary of the WIB and the 1000th Edition of the WIB.

The original initiative behind the publication of the WIB was to provide Parliament and the public with information on the work of the House and its Committees in the week which had passed and a timetable for the coming week. Today, this idea seems so simple with all the advances in communications technology with personal computers and the internet but in the late 1970’s it was ground-breaking. Back in 1978, there were no television cameras broadcasting proceedings in Parliament, radio broadcasting had only been made permanent and there was no Information Office to answer enquiries from the public. The world has changed since the Public Information Office of the House of Commons Library was created in 1978 and the first edition of the WIB rolled off the press. The WIB has continued to inform the world of parliamentary proceedings and has only slightly changed in its design since its first publication. It has, however, expanded in size and scope to provide greater information about the work of Parliament.

The WIB rapidly established itself and its reputation was further enhanced when the cover of the WIB was used to display the episode title for the BBC comedy Yes Minister at the end of the each title sequence in 1980.

There have been many editors and typists that have laboured thousands of hours to finish the master document ready for The Stationery Office printers by the all important 12.30pm Friday afternoon deadline. Originally, typing machines were used and pieces of paper were cut and pasted together to form this document. Although computers have changed the way the WIB is produced they have not reduced the intensity of the work involved or the time taken to publish 60 odd pages each week. At least a dozen sources of information are required to produce the Forthcoming Business pages alone. As technology has advanced, so has the amount of information that can be provided. The preparatory work for the WIB now also produces the Bill pages and the new Parliamentary Calendar on the Parliament website making that work more available more quickly.

This editorial is dedicated to all previous editors and WIB typists over the last 30 years who have spent many late nights and stressful Friday mornings toiling away to produce the WIB. I would also like to thank Jenny Walpole and Miranda Olivier-Wright for being such superb Deputy Editors and for without whom there would be no WIB.

Kevin Williams
WIB Editor
Information from the first edition 1978

Her Majesty’s Principal Ministers as at 2 November 1978

Administration formed by the Rt.Hon. James Callaghan MP, April 1976, with subsequent changes.

Members of the Cabinet

Prime Minister, First Lord of the Treasury and Minister for the Civil Service
Rt.Hon. James Callaghan MP

Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House of Commons
Rt.Hon. Michael Foot MP

Lord Chancellor
Rt.Hon. The Lord Elwyn-Jones CH

Chancellor of the Exchequer
Rt.Hon. Denis Healey MBE MP

Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs
Rt.Hon. Dr David Owen MP

Secretary of State for Education and Science and Paymaster General
Rt.Hon. Shirley Williams MP

Secretary of State for Energy
Rt.Hon. Antony Wedgwood Benn MP

Secretary of State for Industry
Rt.Hon. Eric Varley MP

Secretary of State for the Environment
Rt.Hon. Peter Shore MP

Secretary of State for Northern Ireland
Rt.Hon. Roy Mason MP

Secretary of State for Scotland
Rt.Hon. Bruce Millan MP

Secretary of State for Social Services
Rt.Hon. David Ennals MP

Secretary of State for Transport
Rt.Hon. William Rodgers MP

Secretary of State for Trade
Rt.Hon. Edmund Dell MP

Secretary of State for Overseas Development
Rt.Hon. Judith Hart MP

Secretary of State for Wales
Rt.Hon. John Morris QC MP

Secretary of State for the Home Department
Rt.Hon. Merlyn Rees MP

Secretary of State for Industry
Rt.Hon. Shirley Williams MP

Secretary of State for Wales
Rt.Hon. John Morris QC MP

Secretary of State for Defence
Rt.Hon. Frederick Mulley MP

Secretary of State for Employment
Rt.Hon. Albert Booth MP

Secretary of State for Health
Rt.Hon. Anthony Wedgwood Benn MP

Secretary of State for Northern Ireland
Rt.Hon. Roy Mason MP

Secretary of State for Scotland
Rt.Hon. Bruce Millan MP

Secretary of State for Social Security
Rt.Hon. Stanley Orme MP

Secretary of State for Social Security
Rt.Hon. William Rodgers MP

Secretary of State for Transport
Rt.Hon. William Rodgers MP

Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food
Rt.Hon. John Silkin MP

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Rt.Hon. John Silkin MP

Minister for Social Security
Rt.Hon. Stanley Orme MP

Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food
Rt.Hon. John Silkin MP

Minister for Social Security
Rt.Hon. Stanley Orme MP

Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster
Rt.Hon. Harold Lever MP

Ministers not in the Cabinet

Minister of State, Ministry of Defence
Rt.Hon. Dr John Gilbert MP

Ministers of State, Department of Industry
Rt.Hon. Alan Williams MP

Ministers of State, Northern Ireland Office
Rt.Hon. John Concannon MP

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**Financial Secretary to the Treasury**  
Rt.Hon. Robert Sheldon MP  
Ministers of State, Scottish Office  
Rt.Hon. Gregor MacKenzie MP  
The Lord Kirkill  

**Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office**  
Edward Rowlands, Esq MP  
Ministers of State, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food  
Rt.Hon. Edward Bishop MP  

**Minister for Housing and Construction**  
Rt.Hon. Reginald Freeson MP  
Minister of State, Department of Employment  
Harold Walker, Esq MP  

**Minister of State, Privy Council Office**  
Rt.Hon. John Smith MP  
Minister of State, Department of Health and Social Security  
Rt.Hon. Roland Moyle MP  

**Minister of State, Civil Service Department**  
Rt.Hon. Charles R. Morris MP  
Minister of State, Department of Prices and Consumer Protection  
John Fraser, Esq MP  

**Minister of State, Department of the Environment**  
Rt.Hon. Denis Howell MP  
Ministers of State, Department of Education and Science  
The Lord Donaldson of Kingsbridge OBE  
Gordon Oaks, Esq MP  

**Ministers of State, Home Office**  
The Lord Harris of Greenwich  
Minister of State, Department of Energy  
Rt.Hon. Dr J. Dickson Mabon MP  
Brynmor John, Esq MP  

### The Shadow Cabinet

The following is a list of the Leaders’ Consultative Committee of the official Opposition

**Leader**  
Rt.Hon. Margaret Thatcher MP  
Education, Sciences and the Arts  
Norman St. John-Stevas MP  

**Deputy Leader**  
Rt.Hon. William Whitelaw MP  
Environment  
Michael Heseltine MP  

**Policy and Research**  
Rt.Hon. Sir Keith Joseph, Bt, MP  
Scotland  
Edward Taylor MP  

**Without Specific Duties**  
Rt.Hon. Lord Hailsham of Saint Marylebone  
Wales  
Nicholas Edwards MP  

**Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs**  
Rt.Hon. Francis Pym  
Northern Ireland  
Airey Neave MP  

**Treasury and Economic Affairs**  
Rt.Hon. Sir Geoffrey Howe MP  
Defence  
Rt.Hon. Sir Ian Gilmour, Bt, MP  

**Home Office**  
Rt.Hon. William Whitelaw MP  
Social Services  
Rt.Hon. Patrick Jenkin MP  

**Leader of the Opposition, House of Lords**  
Rt.Hon. Lord Carrington  
Consumer Affairs  
Mrs Sally Oppenheim MP  

**Employment**  
Rt.Hon. James Prior MP  
Trade  
John Nott MP  

**Agriculture**  
Rt.Hon. John Peyton MP  
Industry  
Rt.Hon. Sir Keith Joseph MP  

**Devolution and House of Commons Affairs**  
Rt.Hon. Francis Pym MP  
Chairmen of the Party Organisation  
Rt.Hon. Lord Thorneycroft  

**Joint Deputy Chairmen**  
Angus Maude MP
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Her Majesty’s Principal Ministers as at 22 February 2008


Members of the Cabinet

Prime Minister, First Lord of the Treasury and Minister for the Civil Service
Rt.Hon. Gordon Brown MP

Secretary of State for Transport
Rt. Hon. Ruth Kelly MP

Leader of the House of Commons, Lord Privy Seal and Minister for Women and Equalities
Rt. Hon. Harriet Harman QC MP

Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government
Rt. Hon. Hazel Blears MP

Chancellor of the Exchequer
Rt. Hon. Alistair Darling MP

Secretary of State for Children, Schools and Families
Rt. Hon. Ed Balls MP

Secretary of State for the Home Department
Rt. Hon. Jacqui Smith MP

Minister for the Cabinet Office and Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster
Rt. Hon. Edward Miliband MP

Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs
Rt.Hon. David Miliband MP

Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport
Rt. Hon. Andy Burnham MP

Secretary of State for Justice and Lord Chancellor
Rt. Hon. Jack Straw MP

Secretary of State for Northern Ireland
Rt. Hon. Shaun Woodward MP

Secretary of State for Defence and Secretary of State for Scotland
Rt. Hon. Des Browne MP

Leader of the House of Lords and Lord President of the Council
Rt. Hon. Baroness Ashton of Upholland

Secretary of State for Health
Rt. Hon. Alan Johnson MP

Chief Secretary to the Treasury
Rt. Hon. Yvette Cooper MP

Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
Rt. Hon. Hilary Benn MP

Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasury and Chief Whip
Rt. Hon. Geoff Hoon MP

Secretary of State for International Development
Rt. Hon. Douglas Alexander MP

Secretary of State for Innovation, Universities and Skills
Rt. Hon. John Denham MP

Secretary of State for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
Rt. Hon. John Hutton MP

Secretary of State for Wales
Rt. Hon. Paul Murphy MP

Secretary of State for Work and Pensions
Rt. Hon. James Purnell MP

Ministers attending Cabinet Meetings

Chief Whip (House of Lords)
Rt.Hon. Baroness Royall of Blaisdton

Minister for the North West
Rt.Hon. Beverley Hughes MP

Minister for the Olympics and London (Paymaster General)
Rt.Hon. Tessa Jowell MP

Attorney General
Rt.Hon. Baroness Scotland of Asthal QC

Minister for Housing
Rt.Hon. Caroline Flint MP

Minister for Africa, Asia and the UN
Rt.Hon. Lord Malloch-Brown KCMG

Law Officers

Attorney-General
Rt.Hon. Baroness Scotland of Asthal QC

Solicitor-General
Rt.Hon. Vera Baird MP

Advocate General for Scotland
Rt.Hon. Lord Davidson of Glen Clova QC
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The Shadow Cabinet

Leader of Her Majesty’s Official Opposition & Leader of the Conservative Party
Rt Hon David Cameron MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Innovation, Universities and Skills
David Willetts MP

Leader of Her Majesty’s Official Opposition In the House of Lords
Rt Hon Lord Strathclyde

Shadow Secretary of State for International Development
Andrew Mitchell MP

Shadow Leader of the House of Commons
Rt Hon Theresa May MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Justice
Nick Herbert MP

Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer and General Election Campaign Coordinator
George Osborne MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Northern Ireland
Owen Paterson MP

Shadow Foreign Secretary
Rt Hon William Hague MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Scotland
David Mundell MP

Shadow Home Secretary
Rt Hon David Davis MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Transport
Theresa Villiers MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
Alan Duncan MP

Shadow Chief Secretary to the Treasury
Philip Hammond MP

Shadow Minister for the Cabinet Office & Shadow Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster
Rt Hon Francis Maude MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Wales
Cheryl Gillan MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Children, Schools And Families
Michael Gove MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Work and Pensions
Chris Grayling MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government
Eric Pickles MP

Chairman of the Conservative Party
Caroline Spelman MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Culture, Media & Sport
Jeremy Hunt MP

Chairman of the Policy Review & Chairman of the Conservative Research Department
Rt Hon Oliver Letwin MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Defence
Dr Liam Fox MP

Opposition Chief Whip
Patrick McLoughlin MP

Shadow Secretary of State for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs
Peter Ainsworth MP

Shadow Minister for Community Cohesion
Baroness Warsi of Dewsbury

Shadow Secretary of State for Health
Andrew Lansley CBE MP

Shadow Security Minister and National Security Advisor to the Leader of the Opposition
Baroness Neville-Jones of Hutton Roof
## State of the Parties in the House of Commons

### State of the Parties in the House of Commons on 2 November 1978

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<td><strong>Mr Speaker; Chairmen of Ways and Means;</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Vacant seats (Clitheroe)</strong></td>
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Current working Government Majority: 0
(308 Labour MPs less 322 of all other parties – excludes Speaker, Chairmen of Ways and Means and two deputy chairmen)

Total: 635

*These Members do not normally take part in divisions

### State of the Parties in the House of Commons on 22 February 2008

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Current working Government Majority: 67
(352 Labour MPs less 285 of all other parties – excludes Speaker & Deputies and Sinn Fein)

Total: 646

*These Members do not normally take part in divisions

^These Members have no taken their seats
Noticeboard

Weekly Information Bulletin

The next Bulletin will be published on Saturday 1 March 2008

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

**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

http://www.parliament.uk

The Parliament website provides information on parliamentary proceedings, membership of both Houses and general information on a wide range of parliamentary matters. See index for material available on the website.
## The Week Ahead: 25 – 29 February 2008

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| **Mon 25 Feb.** | • OPQ – Home Office, including Topical Questions  
• Deb – The Treaty of Lisbon (No 7); Effectiveness of EU Institutions and EU Decision-making  
• Leg – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House  
• Adj – Visas for children from Belarus | • 1st DLC – Draft Immigration and nationality (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2008  
• ESC – CAP “Health Check” (15351/07) | • Children, Schools and Families  
• Public Accounts  
• Communities and Local Government | • Oral Questions  
• Leg – Disabled Persons (Independent Living) Bill [HL] (Third reading)  
• Leg – Climate Change Bill [HL] (Report stage, day 1)  
• Leg – Employment Bill [HL] (Grand Committee, day 2, Moses Room, 3.30pm)  
• Del Leg – Immigration & Nationality (Fees) Order 2008; Immigration and Nationality Act (Duty to Share) Order 2008 | • International Organisations Comm |
| **Tues 26 Feb.** | • OPQ – Communities and Local Government, including Topical Questions  
• TMRB – Small Print Bill  
• Deb – The Treaty of Lisbon (No 58: Climate Change  
• Leg – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House  
• Adj – Supplementary schools | • PBC – Energy Bill  
• PBC – Education and Skills Bill | • Home Affairs  
• Culture, Media and Sport  
• Welsh Affairs  
• Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform | • Oral Questions  
• Leg – Dormant Bank and Building Society Accounts Bill (Third reading)  
• Leg – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Committee stage, day 4)  
• Del Leg – Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers’ Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 2008; Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 2008; Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2008 (Grand Committee, Moses Room, 2.30pm); Industrial Training Levy (Construction Industry Training Board) Order 2008; Regional Learning and Skills Councils Regulations 2007; Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (Representations and Appeals) (Wales) Regulations 2008; Charities Act 2006 (Charitable Companies Audit and Group Accounts Provisions) Order 2008- motions to approve- (Grand Committee, Moses Room, 3.30pm) | • Science and Technology Sub-Comm 1  
• EU Sub-Comm A |
| **Weds 27 Feb.** | • OPQ – Wales; Prime Minister  
• TMRB – Statutory Instruments Act 1946 (Amendment) Bill  
• Leg – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House  
• Adj – Procurement of police escape masks from Avon Rubber, Melksham | • None | • Innovation, Universities and Skills  
• Work and Pensions  
• Modernisation of the House of Commons  
• Transport  
• Public Accounts  
• Northern Ireland Affairs  
• European Scrutiny | • Oral Questions  
• Leg – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Committee stage, day 5)  
• Del Leg – Prevention of Terrorism Act 2005 (Continuance in force of sections 1 to 9) Order 2008 | • Constitution  
• Communications |
| **Thurs 28 Feb.** | • OPQ – Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform, including Topical Questions  
• Business Statement – Leader of the House  
• Topical Debate – the  
• Deb – Welsh Affairs  
• Adj – Concentrated solar power and the case for the creation of an HVDC grid | • PBC – Education and Skills Bill  
• PBC – Energy Bill | • Public Administration  
• Health  
• Culture, Media and Sport | • Oral Questions  
• Deb – on the case for strengthening families, community cohesion, and social action, and to move for papers (B. Gardner of Parkes); on the quality of care given to NHS patients in both hospitals and community settings, and to move for papers (B. Eccles of Moulton); on the EU Committee report on the Commission’s annual policy strategy (L. Grenfell) | • EU Sub-Comm G |
| **Fri 29 Feb.** | • Private Members’ Bills  
• Adj – National DNA database | • None | • None | • The House will not be sitting | • None |
Order of Oral Questions
(Next Sitting period N.B. All dates are provisional)

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Business of the House of Commons
18 – 22 February 2008

Monday 18 February

The House sat at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Work and Pensions, including Topical Questions

Statement – Northern Rock – Mr Alistair Darling

Statement – Business of the House – Ms Harriet Harman

Legislation – Health and Social Care Bill – Remaining stages (As amended, considered; Bill read a Third time)

Adjournment – Regulation of the insurance industry and the case of Mrs Susan Hurrells – Mr Denis Murphy

The House rose at 9.55 pm

Tuesday 19 February

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

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Thefts following credit and debit card cloning – Andrew Selous
11.00-12.30 Criminal courts sentencing options – Mr David Kidney
12.30-13.00 Stone conservation in cathedrals and churches – Robert Key
13.00-13.30 Calderdale’s housing strategy – Chris McCafferty
13.30-14.00 Consumer protection and the will writing industry – Lorely Burt

The House sat at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Foreign and Commonwealth Office, including Topical Questions

Legislation – Banking (Special Provisions) Bill (Bill presented and read a First time)

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Allotments (Planning) Bill – Tony Baldry (Bill presented and read a First time)

Programme Motion – Business of the House (Banking (Special Provisions) Bill) (on a Division, agreed to)

Legislation – Banking (Special Provisions) Bill – Second reading (on a Division, agreed to)

Money Resolution – Banking (Special Provisions) Bill (agreed to)

Legislation – Banking (Special Provisions) Bill – Considered in Committee of the Whole House (not amended; read a Third time)

Adjournment – Homeopathic hospitals – David Tredinnick

The House rose at 2.14am
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Wednesday 20 February

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

09.30-11.00 Withdrawal of Leeds working neighbourhood funding – Mr George Mudie
11.00-11.30 Development aid and oil extraction – Mr Andrew Smith
14.30-16.00 Funding for policing in Peterborough and Cambridgeshire – Mr Stewart Jackson
16.00-16.30 Environment Agency response to flooding in Rochdale – Paul Rowen
16.30-17.00 Office of Fair Trading actions on scams – Miss Anne Begg

The House sat at 11.30am

Oral Questions – Northern Ireland; Prime Minister

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Criminal Justice (Raves) Bill – Mr Christopher Fraser (Bill presented and read a First time)

Debate – The Treaty of Lisbon (No.5); Foreign, Security and Defence policy (Motion, on a Division, agreed to)

Legislation – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Considered further in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 5)

Adjournment – Cyber bullying amongst school-age children – Mrs Siân C.James

The House rose at 8.42pm

Thursday 21 February

The House sat at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Innovation, Universities and Skills, including Topical Questions

Business Statement – Leader of the House

Statement – HMP Woodhill – Jacqui Smith

Statement – Terrorist Suspects (Renditions) – David Miliband

Motion – To approve the Draft Prevention of Terrorism Act 2005 (Continuance in force of sections 1 to 9) Order 2008 (Agreed to)

Motion – To approve the Draft Social Security Benefits Uprating Order 2008 (Agreed to)

Motion – Draft Guarantee Minimum Pensions Increase Order 2008 (Agreed to)

Legislation – Banking (Special Provisions) Bill (Lords amendments considered)

Adjournment – Schools reorganisation in Havering – James Brokenshire

The House sat in Westminster Hall between 2.30 and 5.30pm

Westminster Hall – A debate on the Sixth Report from the Health Committee, Session 2006-07, on The Electronic Patient Record, HC 422, and the Government response, Cm 7264

The House rose at 11.35 pm
Friday 22 February

The House sat at 9.30am

**Private Members’ Bills** – Temporary and Agency Workers (Equal Treatment) Bill – Andrew Miller (2R); Leasehold Reform Bill – Simon Hughes (2R); Football Spectators and Sports Grounds Bill – Mr Russell Brown (2R); Climate Change (Sectoral Targets) Bill – Colin Challen (2R); Forces Widows’ Pensions (Equality of Treatment) Bill – Mr Michael Mates (2R)

**Adjournment** – Effects of the Gambling Act 2005 on the coin operated gaming machine industry – Dr Stephen Ladyman

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18.2.08 Prevention of Terrorism Act – Jacqui Smith
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19.2.08 Political Developments (Kosovo) – David Miliband
19.2.08 Children’s Palliative Care Services – Mr Ivan lewis
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19.2.08 Departmental Expenditure Limit (2007-08) – James Purnell
19.2.08 Bluetongue Disease, Avian Influenza and Foot and Mouth Disease – Hilary Benn
20.2.08 Offshore Oil and Gas Licensing (25th Round) – Mr John Hutton
20.2.08 47th Horserace Betting Levy Scheme – Mr Gerry Sutcliffe
20.2.08 Explanatory Memorandum on the Lisbon Treaty – Mr Jim Murphy
20.2.08 Correction to Written Answer – Mr James Plaskitt
21.2.08 Economic Regulators – Mr Pat McFadden
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21.2.08 Creative Economic Strategic Document – Andy Burnham
21.2.08 Foreign National Prisoners – Mr David Hanson
Forthcoming Business of the House of Commons
25 – 29 February 2008

Monday 25 February

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Home Office, including Topical Questions

Debate – The Treaty of Lisbon (No.6); International Development

Legislation – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 6)

Adjournment – Visas for children from Belarus – Willie Rennie

Tuesday 26 February

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

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Medals for armed forces personnel – Mr Kevan Jones
11.00-12.30 Political developments in the Western Balkans – Mr John Randall
12.30-13.00 Marconi pension fund – Mr George Howarth
13.00-13.30 Healthcare in Norfolk – Mr Keith Simpson
13.30-14.00 Middle East peace process – Andrew Gwynne

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Communities and Local Government, including Topical Questions

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Small Print Bill – Dr Nick Palmer

Debate – The Treaty of Lisbon (No.7); Effectiveness of EU Institutions and EU decision-making

Legislation – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 7)

Adjournment – Supplementary schools – Joan Ryan

Wednesday 27 February

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

Westminster Hall Private Members’ Debates –

09.30-11.00 Government policy on Israeli settlements and closures in the Palestinian Territories
11.00-11.30 Security of British investors in Tanzania – Mr Roger Gale
14.30-16.00 Child poverty – Fiona Mactaggart
16.00-16.30 Air ambulances in the NHS – Dr Ian Gibson
16.30-17.00 Inquest into the death of British journalist Mr Brian Peters – Mr Don Foster
The House will sit at 11.30am

**Oral Questions** – Wales; Prime Minister

**Ten Minute Rule Bill** – Personal Debt (Advice and Regulation) Bill – Sandra Gidley

**Debate** – The Treaty of Lisbon (No.7); Climate Change

**Legislation** – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 8)

**Adjournment** – Procurement of police escape masks from Avon Rubber, Melksham – Mr Michael Ancram

**Thursday 28 February**

The House will sit at 10.30am

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

**Business Statement** – Leader of the House

**Debate** – Welsh Affairs

**Adjournment** – Concentrated solar power and the case for the creation of an HVDC grid – Dr Howard Stoate

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

**Westminster Hall** – A debate on the Fifth Report from the Communities and Local Government Committee, Session 2006-07, on Refuse Collection, and the Governments response, HC 1095

**Friday 29 February**

The House will sit at 9.30am

**Private Members’ Bills** – British Board of Film Classification (Accountability to Parliament and Appeals) Bill – Mr Julian Brazier (2R); Drugs (Reclassification) Bill – Mr Christopher Chope (2R); Expenses of Public Servants (Publication) Bill – Norman Baker (2R)

**Adjournment** – National DNA database – Sarah Teather

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** There are no Westminster Hall Adjournment Debates scheduled

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Provisional Forthcoming Business of the House of Commons
3 – 7 March 2008

Monday 3 March

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Defence, including Topical Questions

Legislation – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 9)

Adjournment – Warmfront – Mr Robert Flello

Tuesday 4 March

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 – Transport, including Topical Questions

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Autumn Bank Holiday – Shona McIsaac

Legislation – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 10)

Adjournment –*

Wednesday 5 March

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 – Scotland; Prime Minister

Ten Minute Rule Bill – Fireworks Act 2003 (Amendment) Bill – Rob Marris

Legislation – European Union (Amendment) Bill – Consideration in Committee of the Whole House (Allotted Day 11)

Adjournment –*

Thursday 6 March

The House will sit at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Treasury, including Topical Questions

Business Statement – Leader of the House

Topical Debate –***
Debate – Women’s representation in democracy

Adjournment –*

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

Westminster Hall – A debate on International Health Partnerships

Friday 7 March

The House will sit at 9.30am

Private Members’ Bills – Private Equity (Transfer of Undertakings and Protection of Employment) Bill – Mr John Heppell (2R); Energy Saving (Daylight) Bill – Mr Tim Yeo (2R); Sound Recordings (Copyright Term Extension) Bill – Pete Wishart (2R); Pedlars (Street Trading Regulation) Bill – Dr Brian Iddon (2R)

Adjournment –*

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Forthcoming Business of the House of Lords  
25 – 28 February 2008

Monday 25 February (2.30pm)

**Oral Questions** – Lord Morris of Manchester to ask Her Majesty’s Government what has been the response of the Pensions Appeal Tribunals to the proposals set out in the Consultation Paper Transforming Tribunals. Lord Sheldon to ask Her Majesty’s Government what estimate has been made of any shortfall in the financing of the 2012 Olympic Games. Baroness Byford to ask Her Majesty’s Government what consideration they have given to the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration’s report into the ban on swill feeding. Lord Steinberg to ask Her Majesty’s Government what assessment they have made of the effect that the run on Northern Rock has had on the United Kingdom’s reputation as a leading financial centre.

**Legislation** – Disabled Persons (Independent Living) Bill [HL] (Third reading)

**Legislation** – Climate Change Bill [HL] (Report stage, day 1)

**Legislation** – Employment Bill [HL] (Grand Committee, day 2, Moses Room, 3.30pm)

**Delegated Legislation** – Immigration & Nationality (Fees) Order 2008; Immigration and Nationality Act (Duty to Share) Order 2008 – motions to approve

Tuesday 26 February (2.30pm)

**Oral Questions** – Lord Berkeley to ask Her Majesty’s Government what action they are taking to reduce deaths and injuries to cyclists in road accidents. Lord Ashley of Stoke to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they are taking to establish independent living for disabled people. Baroness Murphy to ask Her Majesty’s Government what plans they have to further the work of the National Spirituality and Mental Health Forum in the light of the devolution of care services improvement partnership funding to regional areas.

**Legislation** – Dormant Bank and Building Society Accounts Bill [HL] (Third reading)

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

**Question for short debate** – on the response to human rights abuses in West Papua (L. Harries of Pentregarth)

**Delegated Legislation** – Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers’ Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 2008; Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 2008; Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2008 (Grand Committee, Moses Room, 2.30pm); Industrial Training Levy (Construction Industry Training Board) Order 2008; Regional Learning and Skills Councils Regulations 2007; Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (Representations and Appeals) (Wales) Regulations 2008; Charities Act 2006 (Charitable Companies Audit and Group Accounts Provisions) Order 2008- motions to approve- (Grand Committee, Moses Room, 3.30pm)

Wednesday 27 February (3.00pm)

**Oral Questions** – Lord Dubs to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they have any plans to review the law and procedures regarding coroners’ inquests. Lord Naseby to ask Her Majesty’s Government what assistance they are offering to the government of Sri Lanka following the recommendations of the All Party Representative Committee in that country. Lord Blaker to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is their assessment of the political, military and economic situation in Afghanistan.

**Legislation** – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Committee stage, day 5)

**Delegated Legislation** – Prevention of Terrorism Act 2005 (Continuance in force of sections 1 to 9) Order 2008 – motion to approve
Thursday 28 February (11.00am)

**Oral Questions** – Baroness Valentine to ask Her Majesty’s Government what steps they will take to tackle the length of immigration control queues at the United Kingdom’s major airports. Lord Campbell-Savours to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they will review the role of juries in rape trials. Baroness Rendell of Babergh to ask Her Majesty’s Government what proposals they have for requiring manufacturers to reduce the high amounts of salt in some children’s food

**Debates** – on the case for strengthening families, community cohesion, and social action, and to move for papers (B. Gardner of Parkes); on the quality of care given to NHS patients in both hospitals and community settings, and to move for papers (B. Eccles of Moulton); on the EU Committee report on the Commission’s annual policy strategy (L. Grenfell)
Provisional Future Business of the House of Lords
3 – 6 March 2008

Monday 3 March (2.30pm)

Oral Questions – Lord Avebury to ask Her Majesty’s Government what is their response to the United Nations Children’s Fund’s (UNICEF) latest report on The State of the World’s Children, in particular its conclusion that West Africa is the only region in the world showing no progress on reaching the Millennium Development Goal to reduce mortality level of under-fives by two-thirds by 2015. Lord Wallace of Saltaire to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether NATO and its member governments have been appropriately consulted about the implications of the deployment of United States missile defence systems in Europe and the bilateral negotiations through which these deployments have been agreed. Lord Beaumont of Whitley to ask Her Majesty’s Government what level of compliance with building regulations is assumed in the calculation of official Government estimates on carbon dioxide emissions from domestic buildings. Lord Waddington to ask Her Majesty’s Government how many people they estimate will have been issued with identity cards by May 2010

Legislation – Children and Young Persons Bill [HL] (Report stage)

Question for short debate – on the steps to be taken to help support the training of disabled people on computers in their own homes (V. Falkland)

Tuesday 4 March (11.00am)

Oral Questions – Lord Harrison to ask Her Majesty’s Government what guidance is given regarding safety advice provided in lifts, in particular as to their capacity in terms of weight and number of people carried. Baroness Scott of Needham Market to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they plan to introduce a code of conduct for local government officers. Lord Trefgarne to ask Her Majesty’s Government how much public funding is being made available to the Arts Council during the current financial year, and how much is planned for the next two financial years

Legislation – Climate Change Bill [HL] (Report stage, day 2)

Delegated Legislation – Cheshire (Structural Changes) Order 2008 – motion to approve

Wednesday 5 March (3.00pm)

Oral Questions – Lord Ezra to ask Her Majesty’s Government what are their plans to deal with fuel poverty in the light of rising energy prices. Lord Astor of Hever to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether the United Kingdom Armed Forces deployed to Afghanistan are receiving full support and co-operation from the Afghan authorities. Baroness Quin to ask Her Majesty’s Government whether they have any plans to discourage the consumption in the United Kingdom of bottled mineral water

Legislation – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Committee stage, day 6)

Thursday 6 March (11.00am)

Oral Questions – Baroness Northover to ask Her Majesty’s Government, in the light of International Women’s Day on 8 March, whether combating gender inequality is central to their strategy for assisting developing countries. Baroness Miller of Chithorne Domer to ask Her Majesty’s Government how the United Kingdom compares in its progress in tackling domestic violence with other countries who have ratified the Convention for the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women. Baroness Williams of Crosby to ask Her Majesty’s Government what representations they are making to the government of Afghanistan to increase the number of women in senior civil service and ministerial posts
**Debate** – on the impact of Government policy on the lives of women and girls, and their priorities for the future; and to move for papers (B. Gould of Potternewton)

**Question for short debate** – on plans to improve support for the British motorsport industry to ensure it does not lose its global leadership (L. Astor of Hever); on plans to develop the production of renewable energy in the United Kingdom (L. Beaumont of Whitely)
Legislation – General Notes

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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
- **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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CONSOLIDATED FUND (G)  Jane Kennedy
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CONSOLIDATED FUND ACT 2007  Jacqui Smith
    Commons: (63) 1R: 24.1.2008  Prov 2R: No date
    CRIMINAL JUSTICE (RAVES) (T)  Christopher Fraser
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CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND IMMIGRATION (G)  David Hanson / Lord Hunt of Kings Heath
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    Commons: (1, 15, 2007-08) 1R: 7.11.2007 *2R: 7.11.2007  PBC: 20, 22, 27 & 29.11.2007

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND IMMIGRATION (T)  David Hanson
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CROSSRAIL (HYBRID BILL) (HYBRID)  Douglas Alexander / Lord Bassam of Brighton
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    Lords: (, 2004-05) *1R: 7.4.2005
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CROWN EMPLOYMENT (NATIONALITY) (P)  Andrew Dismore
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DISABLED PERSONS (INDEPENDENT LIVING) [HL] (L)  Lord Ashley of Stoke

DISQUALIFICATION FROM PARLIAMENT (TAXATION STATUS) (B20)  Gordon Prentice
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DORMANT BANK AND BUILDING SOCIETY ACCOUNTS [HL] (G)  Lord Davies of Oldham

DRUGS (RECLASSIFICATION) (P)  Christopher Chope
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DRUGS (ROADSIDE TESTING) (P)  Christopher Chope
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EDUCATION (CHILDREN WITH AUTISM) (T)  Lee Scott
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EDUCATION AND SKILLS (G)  
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EMPLOYMENT [HL] (G)  
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ENERGY (G)  
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ENERGY SAVING (DAYLIGHT) (B2)  
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EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (FINANCE) (G)  
Alistair Darling / Lord Davies of Oldham  
Commons: (2)  *1R: 7.11.2007  
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EXPENSES OF PUBLIC SERVANTS (PUBLICATION) (P)  
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FIXED TERM PARLIAMENTS (B12)  
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Lord Steel of Aikwood
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HOUSING AND REGENERATION (G)

Hazel Blears
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HUMAN FERTILISATION AND EMBRYOLOGY [HL] (G)

Lord Darzi of Denham

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Andrew Dismore
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Baroness Finlay of Llandaff
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Simon Hughes
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Lord Bassam of Brighton / Ruth Kelly

NATIONAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS (G)

Alistair Darling
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Michael Fallon
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POWERS OF ENTRY ETC, [HL] (L)

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PRIVATE EQUITY (TRANSFER OF UNDERTAKINGS AND PROTECTION OF EMPLOYMENT) (B5)

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RETAIL DEVELOPMENT [HL] (L)

Lord Cotter

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Christopher Chope

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Andrew Miller

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Lord Archer of Sandwell

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David Burrowes

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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 2007/2008 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
BS  Bill Suspended
BR  Bill Reintroduced
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

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

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

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.
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

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Commons: (2006-07) *BS: 24.10.2007
(The Bill is opposed, 1 petition outstanding)

NORTHERN BANK (Bircham Dyson Bell LLP)
Commons: () *1R: 22.1.2008 *2R: 29.1.2008
(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the Commons)

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL (Sharpe Pritchard)
(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the House of Commons)

READING BOROUGH COUNCIL (Sharpe Pritchard)
(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) *BS: 6.11.2006
Lords: (2006-07) *BS: 22.10.2007
Commons: (2007-08) *BR: 8.11.2007 Prov SelCom: No date
(The Bill is opposed; 2 petitions outstanding)

TRANSPORT FOR LONDON (SUPPLEMENTAL TOLL PROVISIONS) [HL] (Eversheds LLP)
Commons: (2006-07) *BS: 24.10.2007
Lords: (2007-08) *BR: 8.11.2007 Prov 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](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.

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### Regulatory Reform Proposals and Orders: Proceedings as at 22 February 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](http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmsilist/cmsilist.htm).

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

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

Committee recommendation:

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

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Northern Ireland Legislation: proceedings as at 22 February 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: 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

Abbreviations:

U Urgent Procedure
D Delegated Legislation Committee
G Northern Ireland Grand committee
O Northern Ireland Order Grand Committee
A Approved
N Negative Procedure

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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


Public Bill Committee debates on the Parliament website: [http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/stand.htm](http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/stand.htm)

Other General Committee debates: [http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/othstn.htm](http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/othstn.htm)

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18 – 22 February 2008

Monday 18 February

1st DLC Draft Greater London Authority Elections (Election Addresses) (Amendment) Order 2008

2nd DLC Draft FCO Services Trading Fund Order 2008

3rd DLC Draft Defence Support Group Trading Fund Order 2008


Tuesday 19 February

PBC Pensions Bill (17th & 18th Sittings: Clauses 82, 86, 88, 90, 93, 95-108, 110-111 agreed; Clauses 83-85, 87, 89, 91-92, 94, 109 agreed as amended; Schedule 4-8 agreed; Schedule 8 agreed as amended)

PBC Education and Skills (13th & 14th Sittings: Clauses 14-15, 17-20, 23-32 agreed; Clause 22 agreed as amended; Clauses 16, 21 agreed to on division)

PBC Energy Bill

5th DLC Draft Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers’ Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 2008


Wednesday 20 February

PBC Planning and Energy Bill (Clauses 2-3 agreed as amended; Clause 1 disagreed to)


8th DLC Draft Social Security (Contributions) (Re-rating) Order 2008

Thursday 21 February

PBC Education and Skills Bill (15th & 16th Sittings: Clauses 34-44, 46-53 agreed; Clause 33 agreed as amended; Clause 45 agreed on division)

PBC Pensions Bill (Bill, as amended, to be reported)

PBC Energy Bill (4th & 5th Sittings: Clauses 1-16 agreed)

Friday 22 February

None

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Forthcoming General Committee Meetings
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Monday 25 February

1st DLC Draft Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2008, 4.30pm, Room 9

2nd DLC Draft Charities Act 2006 (Charitable Companies Audit and Group Accounts Provisions) Order 2008, 4.30pm, Room 12

ESC EU Document – CAP “Health Check” (15351/07), 4.30pm, Room 10

Tuesday 26 February

PBC Education and Skills Bill, 10.30am & 4.00pm, Room 12

PBC Energy Bill, 10.30am & 4.00pm, Room 11

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Select Committee Meetings  
18 – 22 February 2008

Monday 18 February

Children, Schools and Families  
Subject: Testing and Assessment  
Witnesses: Jim Knight MP, Minister for Schools and Learners, Department for Children, Schools and Families

Health  
Subject: Modernising Medical Careers  
Witnesses: Liam Byrne MP, Minister for Borders and Immigration, Home Office, and Judith Macgregor, Director of Migration, Foreign and Commonwealth Office; Rt Hon Alan Johnson MP, Secretary of State, Hugh Taylor CB, Permanent Secretary, Sir Liam Donaldson, Chief Medical Officer, and Clare Chapman, Director General for Workforce, Department of Health

Communities and Local Government  
Subject: Homes and Communities Agency  
Witnesses: Sir Bob Kerslake, Chief Executive-designate

Public Accounts  
Subject: Leaving the Services  
Witnesses: Sir Bill Jeffrey KCB, Permanent Under Secretary, Chris Baker OBE, Director-General, Personnel Policy, and Air Commodore Phil Miles, Director of Resettlement, Ministry of Defence

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs  
Subject: Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966  
Witnesses: Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons

Tuesday 19 February

Environmental Audit  
Subject: Post-Kyoto: The International Context for Progress on Climate Change  
Witnesses: Greenpeace and the International Institute for Environment and Development; Corporate Leaders Group on Climate Change and International Energy Agency

Culture, Media and Sport  
Subject: European Commission White Paper on Sport  
Witnesses: Rugby Football Union, England and Wales Cricket Board and Sports Rights Owners Coalition; Football Association and the Premier League; Central Council for Physical Recreation and Women’s Sport and Fitness

Home Affairs  
Subject: (i) Domestic Violence (ii) The Government’s Counter-Terrorism Bill  
Witnesses: (i) Women’s Aid, Refuge, and Karma Nirvana; Respect, Male Advice Line, and Domestic Violence Intervention Project (ii) Rt Hon Jacqui Smith MP, Secretary of State for the Home Department

Joint Committee on Human Rights  
Subject: Immigration and Human Rights  
Witnesses: Liam Byrne MP, Minister of State, Home Office

Justice  
Subject: Devolution: A Decade On  
Witnesses: Rt Hon Kenneth Clarke MP, Lord Tyler CBE and Professor Vernon Bogdanor; Campaign for an English Parliament and Unlock Democracy
Wednesday 20 February

Innovation, Universities and Schools
Subject: Science Budget Allocations
Witnesses: Ian Pearson MP, Minister for Science and Innovation, and Professor Sir Keith O’Nions, Director General, Science and Innovation, Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills

Children, Schools and Families
Subject: Children and Young Persons Bill
Witnesses: Kevin Brennan MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Children, Schools and Families

Modernisation of the House of Commons
Subject: Regional Accountability
Witnesses: Strategic Health Authorities, Learning and Skills Council and Arts Council England

Transport
Subject: Delivering a Sustainable Railway: A 30-year strategy for the Railways?
Witnesses: Rail Safety and Standards Board and Peter G Rayner; Transport Salaried Staffs’ Association and RMT – the Union; Bombardier Transportation Group and Angel Trains

Northern Ireland Affairs
Subject: Policing and Criminal Justice in Northern Ireland
Witnesses: Al Hutchinson, Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland, and Sam Pollock, Chief Executive, Office of the Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland

Public Accounts
Subject: The delivery of the Administrative Burdens Reduction Programme 2007
Witnesses: Sir Brian Bender KCB, Permanent Secretary, Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform, William Sargent, Executive Chair, and Jitinder Kohli, Chief Executive, Better Regulation Executive, and Stephen Banyard, HM Revenue and Customs

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
Subject: Climate Change
Witnesses: Rt Hon Hilary Benn MP, Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Thursday 21 February

Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
Subject: Creating a Higher Value-Added Economy
Witnesses: Sir John Rose, Chief Executive, Rolls Royce

Health
Subject: Dental Services
Witnesses: Sandwell PCT, Devon PCT and Hillingdon PCT; British Dental Association, British Orthodontic Society, and Dental Laboratories Association

Public Administration
Subject: Lobbying
Witnesses: Advisory Committee on Business Appointments

Friday 22 February

None

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Monday 25 February

Children, Schools and Families
Subject: Diversity of School Provision: Academies
Witnesses: Specialist Schools and Academies Trust and Comprehensive
Future/Research and Information on State Education; City of London Academy
(Southwark), Walsall Academy, Kent County Council and Absolute Return for Kids
(at 4.30 pm)

Public Accounts
Subject: Nuclear Decommissioning Authority: Taking forward decommissioning
Witnesses: Dr Ian Roxburgh, Chief Executive, and James Morse, Divisional Director,
Assurance, Nuclear Decommissioning Authority, and Mark Higson, Director, Nuclear
Unit, Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform

Communities and Local Government*
Subject: Dr Ian Roxburgh, Chief Executive, and James Morse, Divisional Director,
Assurance, Nuclear Decommissioning Authority, and Mark Higson, Director, Nuclear
Unit, Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
Witnesses: Trevor Phillips, Chair, Equality and Human Rights Commission; Local
Government Association, Slough Borough Council and the Audit Commission (at
5.10 pm); Ted Cantle CBE and Nick Johnson, Institute of Community Cohesion (at
5.40 pm)

Tuesday 26 February

Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
Subject: Economic consequences of Turkey joining the EU
Witnesses: Nick McInnes and Peter Dodd, Department for Business, Enterprise and
Regulatory Reform, and Dianna Melrose, Foreign and Commonwealth Office

Culture, Media and Sport*
Subject: Harmful content on the Internet/in video games
Witnesses: Children’s Charities Coalition for Internet Safety, Childnet International
and Professor Sonia Livingstone; Microsoft, Internet Watch Foundation and Heather
Rabbatts CBE, Chair, Media Literacy Taskforce (at 11.30 am)

Home Affairs*
Subject: (i) Policing for the 21st Century (ii) Identity Cards: data security issues (at
11.30 am)
Witnesses: (i) Sir Ronnie Flanagan GBE QPM, HM Chief Inspector of Constabulary
(ii) Meg Hillier MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Home Office

Welsh Affairs
Subject: Globalisation and its impact on Wales
Witnesses: Canolfan Bedwyr, Bangor University; Wales Co-operative Centre (at
11.15 am)

Wednesday 27 February

Innovation, Universities and Schools
Subject: Science Budget Allocations
Witnesses: Peter Warry, Chairman, and Professor Keith Mason, Chief Executive,
Science and Technology Facilities Council

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### Work and Pensions
**Subject: Health and Safety**
Witnesses: British Occupational Hygiene Society, Association of British Insurers and Royal College of Nursing; Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (at 10.45 am)

### Modernisation of the House of Commons
**Subject: Regional Accountability**
Witnesses: Rt Hon Alan Williams MP, Chairman, Liaison Committee, Peter Luff MP, Chairman, Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Committee, Dr Phyllis Starkey MP, Chairman, Communities and Local Government Committee, and Robert Wilson, Clerk, Liaison Committee

### European Scrutiny
**Subject: Scrutiny of European Documents**

### Transport
**Subject: Freight Transport**
Witnesses: Civil Aviation Authority and Manchester Airport Groups; Dover District Council and Central London Freight Quality Partnership (at 3.20 pm); Jim Fitzpatrick MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Transport (at 3.55 pm)

### Northern Ireland Affairs
**Subject: The Varney Review of Tax Policy in Northern Ireland**
Witnesses: Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland

### Public Accounts
**Subject: Caring for vulnerable babies: The re-organisation of neonatal services in England**
Witnesses: David Nicholson, Chief Executive, Dr Sheila Shribman, National Clinical Director for Children, Young People and Maternity Services, Professor Christine Beasley, Chief Nursing Officer, and Professor Sir Bruce Keogh, Medical Director, National Health Service

### Thursday 28 February

#### Public Administration*
**Subject: Prime Minister’s Independent Adviser on Ministerial Interests**
Witnesses: Sir Philip Mawer, Prime Minister’s Independent Adviser on Ministerial Interests

#### Culture, Media and Sport
**Subject: Tourism**
Witnesses: Rt Hon Margaret Hodge MP, Minister of State, Department for Culture, Media and Sport

#### Health
**Subject: Dental Services**
Witnesses: Jane Davies-Slowik, John Green and Melvyn Smith; Derek Watson, Chief Executive Officer, Dental Practitioners’ Association and Sara Elworthy and Margaret Naylor (at 11.30 am)

### Friday 29 February
None
House of Lords Committees: Forthcoming Public Meetings
Enquiries about Lords Committees may be put to the Lords Committee Office 020 7219 2940
(Subject Matters are in brackets)

Monday 25 February

**Intergovernmental Organisations Committee**
Evidence will be heard from the Health Protection Agency.
(Intergovernmental action to control the spread of infectious diseases)

Tuesday 26 February

**European Union Sub-Committee A**
Evidence will be heard from Pat McFadden MP, Minister of State for Employment Relations & Postal Affairs, Department of Business, Enterprise & Regulatory Reform.
(Future of European Structural Funds)

**Science and Technology Sub-Committee I**
Evidence will be heard from Mr John Whittall, Lead Technologist, Sustainable Technologies, Technology Strategy Board; Mr Arnold Black, Network Director, Resource Efficiency Knowledge Transfer Network; Mr Tim Curtis, Director of Delivery, AEA Technology; and Research Councils UK (witnesses tbc).
(Waste Reduction)

Wednesday 27 February

**Communications Committee**
Evidence will be heard from (a) Mr Andrew Harrison, Chief Executive Officer, RadioCentre; Mr Mark Story, Managing Director of Programming, Bauer Radio; and Mr Daniel Bruce, Regional Editor, CN Radio; and from (b) Lord Puttnam.
(Media Ownership and the News)

**Constitution Committee**
Evidence will be heard from Professor Angela Sasse; and Professor Martyn Thomas.
(Surveillance and Data Collection)

Thursday 28 February

**European Union Sub-Committee G**
Evidence will be heard from (a) Dr Paul Murphy, Intensive Therapy Unit Consultant, Leeds General Infirmary; and (b) Jayne Fisher, Chair, UK Transplant Coordinators’ Association (UKTCA).
(Organ donation and transplantation)
Select Committees: Publications received since the last Bulletin

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Labour 352
Conservative 193
Social Democratic & Labour Party 3
(Messrs Durkan, McDonnell, McGrady)
Independent Labour 1
Clare Short
Liberal Democrat 63
Independent Conservative 2
Andrew Pelling
Derek Conway
Scottish National Party / Plaid Cymru 9
Independent 3
Dr Richard Taylor
Dai Davies
Robert Wareing
Democratic Unionist Party 9
Respect 1
George Galloway
Ulster Unionist 1
The Speaker and 3 Deputies 4
(Lab 95; Con 17; LD 9; DU 1; UU 1; DCWM 1; Ind Lab 1)
(Sir Alan Haselhurst, CWM; Mrs Sylvia Heal, 1st DCWM; Sir Michael Lord, 2nd DCWM)
(SNP - Messrs Robertson, Salmond, Weir, Wishart, MacNeill & Hosie / PC - Messrs Llwyd, Price, H Williams)
(Messrs Campbell, Dodds, Donaldson, McCrea, Paisley, P Robinson, Ms Iris Robinson, Simpson, Wilson)
(Lady Hermon)
(Messrs Adams, Doherty, McGuinness, Murphy & Ms Gildernew)
5 (Have not taken their seats and cannot vote)
Sinn Fein 5
(Vacant seats)
0
Total number of seats 646
Current working Government Majority 67
(352 Labour MPs less 285 of all other parties – excludes Speaker & Deputies and Sinn Fein)

The total number of women MPs is 126
(CWCM: Chairman of Ways and Means
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