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#### **Noticeboard**

#### **Weekly Information Bulletin**

The next Bulletin will be published on Saturday 26 April 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

#### **April recess 2008**

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

#### Whitsun recess 2008

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

#### Summer recess 2008

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

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# The Week Ahead: 21 – 25 April 2008

Date	Commons Chamber	General Committees	Select Committees	Lords Chamber	Lords Select Committees
Mon 21 Apr.	OPQ – Home Office, including Topical Questions     Leg – Finance Bill – Second reading     Adj – A417 traffic improvement scheme	1st DLC – Draft Immigration     (Biometric Immigration     Document Pilot) Regulations     2008	Innovation, Universities,     Science and Skills Sub-Comm     Children, Schools and Families	Oral Questions     Leg – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Report stage, day 3)     Leg – Health and Social Care Bill (Grand Committee, day 1, Moses Room, 3.30pm)     Del Leg – Immigration (Biometric Registration) (Pilot) Regulations 2008	EU Sub-Comm     B
Tues 22 Apr.	OPQ – Transport, including Topical Questions     TMRB – Road Traffic (Safety) Bill     Leg – Pensions Bill – Remaining stages     Motion – Relating to the statement on changes to Immigration Rules     Adj – Inspections of children's homes	PBC – Counter-Terrorism Bill     PBC – Local Transport Bill     [HL]     ESC – EU Documents Nos.     5489/08 and Addendum I and     5862/08 and Addendum I to 3     relating to the Reduction of     Greenhouse gas Emissions by     2020 and review of the     emissions Trading Scheme	Treasury     Regulatory Reform     Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform &Culture, Media and Sport     Defence     International Development     Home Affairs     Innovation, Universities, Science and Skills     Public Administration	Oral Questions     Leg – European Union (Amendment) Bill (Committee stage, day 1)	• None
Weds 23 Apr.	OPQ – Scotland; Prime Minister     TMRB – Nuclear Weapons     Convention (Advisory Panel) Bill     Deb – Opposition Day (10 <sup>th</sup> allotted day)     – Subject to be announced     Adj – Public family law	• None	Foreign Affairs     European Scrutiny     Transport     Public Accounts     Communities and Local Government	<ul> <li>Oral Questions         <ul> <li>Leg – Channel Tunnel Rail Link (Supplementary Provisions) Bill (Third reading)</li> <li>Leg – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Report stage, day 4)</li> <li>Del Leg – Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008; Business Protection from Misleading Marketing Regulations 2008; Consumers, Estate Agents and Redress Act 2007 (Commencement No. 3 and Supplementary Provision) Order 2008</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Communications     Finance Bill     Sub-Committee     EU Sub-Comm     E     EU Sub-Comm     E
Thurs 24 Apr.	OPQ – Treasury, including Topical Questions     Business Statement – Leader of the House     Topical Deb – tbc     Deb – On a points based Immigration System     Adj – Development of Basildon Golf Course	PBC - Counter-Terrorism Bill     PBC - Local Transport Bill     [HL]	International Development	Oral Questions     Leg – House of Lords (Members' Taxation Status) Bill [HL] (Committee stage)	• None
Fri 25 Apr.	Private Members' Bills     Adj – Application of the Political Parties     Elections and Referendums Act 2000 to     candidates for directly elected office	• None	• None	Leg – Safety Deposit Current Accounts Bill [HL] (Second reading	• None

#### **Order of Oral Questions** (Next Sitting period N.B. All dates are provisional)

# Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2008

	Mon. 25 Feb	Tues. 26 Feb	Wed. 27 Feb	Thu. 28 Feb
•	Home Office	Communities and Local Government	<ul><li>Wales</li><li>Prime Minister</li></ul>	Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
	Mon. 3 March	Tues. 4 March	Wed. 5 March	Thu. 6 March
•	Defence	Transport	<ul><li>Scotland</li><li>Prime Minister</li></ul>	• Treasury
	Mon. 10 March	Tues. 11 March	Wed. 12 March	Wed. 13 March
•	Culture, Media and Sport Olympics	• Justice	International     Development     Prime Minister	Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
	Mon. 17 March	Tues. 18 March	Wed. 19 March	Thu. 20 March
•	Children, Schools and Families	• Health	Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster     Prime Minister	Church Commissioners Public Accounts Commission and Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission Solicitor General Women and Equality Leader of the House House of Commons Commission
	Mon. 24 March	Tues. 25 March	Wed. 26 March	Thu. 27 March
•	None	Foreign and     Commonwealth Office	Northern Ireland     Prime Minister	Innovation,     Universities and Skills
	Mon. 31 March	Tues. 1 April	Wed. 2 April	Thu. 3 April
•	Work and Pensions	Communities and Local Government	<ul><li>Wales</li><li>Prime Minister</li></ul>	Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
	Mon. 21 April	Tues. 22 April	Wed. 23 April	Thurs. 24 April
•	Home Office	Transport	<ul><li>Scotland</li><li>Prime Minister</li></ul>	Treasury
	Mon. 28 April	Tues. 29 April	Wed. 30 April	Thurs. 1 May
•	Defence	• Justice	International     Development     Prime Minister	Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

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The Secretary of State for Scotland also answers on behalf of the Advocate General.

The Solicitor General also answers on behalf of the Attorney General.

#### **Order of Oral Questions** (Next Sitting period N.B. All dates are provisional)

# Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2008

Mon. 5 May	Tues. 6 May	Wed. 7 May	Thurs. 8 May
• None	• Health	Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster     Prime Minister	Church Commissioners     Public Accounts     Commission and     Speaker's Committee     on the Electoral     Commission     Solicitor General     Women and Equality     Leader of the House     House of Commons     Commission
Mon. 12 May	Tues. 13 May	Wed. 14 May	Thu. 15 May
<ul><li>Culture, Media and Sport</li><li>Olympics</li></ul>	Foreign and Commonwealth Office	Northern Ireland     Prime Minister	Innovation,     Universities and Skills
Mon. 19 May	Tues. 20 May	Wed. 21 May	Thu. 22 May
Children, Schools and Families	Communities and Local Government	Wales     Prime Minister	Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
Mon. 2 June	Tues. 3 June	Wed. 4 June	Thu. 5 June
Work and Pensions	Transport	<ul><li>Scotland</li><li>Prime Minister</li></ul>	Treasury
Mon. 9 June	Tues. 10 June	Wed. 11 June	Thu. 12 June
Home Office	• Justice	International     Development     Prime Minister	Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

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# Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2008

Mon. 16 June	Tues. 17 June	Wed. 18 June	Thu. 19 June
• Defence	• Health	Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster     Prime Minister	<ul> <li>Church Commissioners         Public Accounts         Commission and         Speaker's Committee         on the Electoral         Commission</li> <li>Solicitor General</li> <li>Women and Equality</li> <li>Leader of the House</li> <li>House of Commons         Commission</li> </ul>
Mon. 23 June	Tues. 24 June	Wed. 25 June	Thu. 26 June
Culture, Media and Sport     Olympics	Foreign and Commonwealth Office	Northern Ireland     Prime Minister	Innovation,     Universities and Skills
Mon. 30 June	Tues. 1 July	Wed. 2 July	Thu. 3 July
Children, Schools and Families	Communities and Local Government	Wales     Prime Minister	Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
Mon. 7 July	Tues. 8 July	Wed. 9 July	Thu. 10 July
Work and Pensions	Transport	<ul><li>Scotland</li><li>Prime Minister</li></ul>	• Treasury
Mon. 14 July	Tues. 15 July	Wed. 16 July	Thu. 17 July
Home Office	Justice	<ul><li>International Development</li><li>Prime Minister</li></ul>	Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
Mon. 21 July	Tues. 22 July		
Defence	Health		

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

#### Monday 31 March

The House sat at 2.30pm

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

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

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

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

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

The House rose at 11.53pm

#### **Tuesday 1 April**

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

#### Westminster Hall Private Members' Debates -

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

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions - Communities and Local Government, including Topical Questions

 $\textbf{Statement} - Iraq - Des \ Browne$ 

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

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

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

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

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

The House rose at 10.33 pm

#### Wednesday 2 April

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

#### Westminster Hall Private Members' Debates -

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

The House will sit at 11.30am

**Oral Questions** – Wales; Prime Minister

Statement - Zimbabwe - David Miliband

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

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

Adjournment – Biosimilar medicines – Dr Brian Iddon

The House rose at 7.51pm

#### Thursday 3 April

The House sat at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform

**Business Statement** – Leader of the House

**Topical Debate** – Drug Strategy

Motion – on the April recess adjournment

 $\textbf{Adjournment} - Charities - Barry\ Gardiner$ 

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

**Westminster Hall** – Debate on the Second Report from the Foreign Affairs, HC 510, on Global Security: Russia, and the Government response, CM 7305

 ${\it The House rose for the April recess at the conclusion of Business}$ 

The House rose at 6.31pm

#### Friday 4 April

The House did not sit

## Written Ministerial Statements 31 March – 4 April 2008

31.03.08	Companies House Targets – Mr Gareth Thomas
31.03.08	Insolvency Service Targets (2008-09) – Mr Pat McFadden
31.03.08	Northern Rock – Mr Alistair Darling
31.03.08	A Strategy for 14-19 Qualifications – Ed Balls
31.03.08	Staying Safe – Kevin Brennan
31.03.08	Regeneration – John Healey
31.03.08	Chemical Weapon Convention – Mr Bob Ainsworth
31.03.08	Future Strategic Tanker Aircraft – Mr Bob Ainsworth
31.03.08	Land Registry Targets (2008-09) – Mr Michael Wills
31.03.08	Power of Information Review (Government's Interim Progress Report) – Mr Tom Watson
31.03.08	Parliamentary constituencies (Northern Ireland) Order 2008 – Paul Goggins
31.03.08	Discretionary Social Fund (Allocations 2008-09) – Mr James Plaskitt
01.04.08	Defence Exports – Mr John Hutton
01.04.08	Schools Revenue Balances (2006-07) – Jim Knight
01.04.08	Gypsies and Travellers – Mr Iain Wright
01.04.08	Executive Agencies – Mr Bob Ainsworth
01.04.08	FCO Services – David Miliband
01.04.08	NHS Foundation Trusts – Mr Ben Bradshaw
01.04.08	Vascular Disease – Alan Johnson
01.04.08	Independent Safeguarding Authority – Meg Hillier
01.04.08	Probation Trusts (Implementation) – Mr David Hanson
01.04.08	Child Care Proceedings System – Bridget Prentice
01.04.08	Parole Board – Mr Jack Straw
01.04.08	Prison Policy – Mr Jack Straw
01.04.08	Her Majesty's Courts Service – Mr Jack Straw
01.04.08	Maritime and Coastguard Agency – Jim Fitzpatrick
01.04.08	Domestic Violence – Ms Harriet Harman
01.04.08	New Deal – James Purnell
02.04.08	United Kingdom Coins – Angela Eagle

02.04.08	Adoptions from Cambodia – Kevin Brennan
02.04.08	Qualifications Regulation – Ed Balls
02.04.08	School Admissions System – Ed Balls
02.04.08	School Playing Fields – Kevin Brennan
02.04.08	Local Government – John Healey
02.04.08	Draft Heritage Protection Bill – Andy Burnham
02.04.08	Reservists (Balkans) – Mr Bob Ainsworth
02.04.08	Artist's Resale Right – Ian Pearson
02.04.08	Palestinian Authority – Mr Douglas Alexander
02.04.08	Tribunals Service (Key Performance Indicators 2008-2009) – Bridget Prentice
02.04.08	Legal Aid Reform – Maria Eagle
02.04.08	Probation – Mr David Hanson
02.04.08	HM Chief Inspector of Prisons – Mr David Hanson
02.04.08	Transport Innovation Fund – Ms Rosie Winterton
02.04.08	Highways Agency (Roadside Facilities) – Mr Tom Harris
02.04.08	Bulk Mail Handling – Jim Fitzpatrick
03.04.08	ECOFIN – Mr Alistair Darling
03.04.08	Children's Plan – Ed Balls
03.04.08	John Healey – Local Government
03.04.08	Eco-towns – Caroline Flint
03.04.08	Draft Marine Bill – Hilary Benn
03.04.08	EU Foreign Ministers – Mr Jim Murphy
03.04.08	Pharmacy – Dawn Primarolo
03.04.08	UK Border Agency – Jacqui Smith
03.04.08	Council of Europe/Western European Union – Mr Gordon Brown
03.04.08	Plea Negotiation (Fraud Cases) – Vera Baird
03.04.08	EU Transport Council – Ms Rosie Winterton
03.04.08	Safety, Service Delivery and Logistics Group – Jim Fitzpatrick
03.04.08	Local Transport Bill – Ms Rosie Winterton
	Booti Hamsport Bill His Rosie Willterton

03.04.08	Disability Benefits (European Court of Justice) – Mrs Anne McGuire	
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# Forthcoming Business of the House of Commons 21 – 25 April 2008

#### Monday 21 April

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions – Home Office, including Topical Questions

**Legislation** – Finance Bill – Second reading

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

#### **Tuesday 22 April**

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

#### Westminster Hall Private Members' Debates -

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

The House will sit at 2.30pm

Oral Questions - Transports, including Topical Questions

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

**Legislation** – Pensions Bill – Remaining stages

Adjournment – Inspections of children's homes – Ann Coffey

#### Wednesday 23 April

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

#### Westminster Hall Private Members' Debates -

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

The House will sit at 11.30 am

**Oral Questions** – Scotland; Prime Minister

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

**Debate** – Opposition Day (10<sup>th</sup> allotted day) – Subject to be announced

Adjournment - Public family law - John Hemming

#### Thursday 24 April

The House will sit at 10.30am

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

**Business Statement** – Leader of the House

Topical debate -\*\*\*

**Debate** – On a points based Immigration System

Adjournment - Development of Basildon Golf Course - Angela E Smith

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

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

#### Friday 25 April

The House will sit at 9.30am

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

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

<sup>\*</sup>Details known previous Thursday after 1.00pm

<sup>\*\*</sup> There are no Westminster Hall Adjournment Debates scheduled

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Details known the previous Monday evening and will appear in Tuesday's Order Paper

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

#### Monday 28 April

The House will sit at 2.30pm

**Oral Questions** – Defence, including Topical Questions

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

**Adjournment** – Funding of NHS services in York – Hugh Bayley

#### **Tuesday 29 April**

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

Westminster Hall Private Members' Debates -\*

The House will sit at 2.30pm

**Oral Questions** –Justice, including Topical Questions

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

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

Adjournment -\*

#### Wednesday 30 April

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

Westminster Hall Private Members' Debates -\*

The House will sit at 11.30am

Oral Questions – International Development; Prime Minister

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

**Legislation** – Energy Bill – Remaining stages

Adjournment -\*

#### Thursday 1 May

The House will sit at 10.30am

Oral Questions – Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, including Topical Questions

**Business Statement** – Leader of the House

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#### Adjournment -\*

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

Westminster Hall -\*

#### Friday 2 May

The House will not be sitting

<sup>\*</sup>Details known previous Thursday after 1.00pm

<sup>\*\*</sup> There are no Westminster Hall Adjournment Debates scheduled

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Details known the previous Monday evening and will appear in Tuesday's Order Paper

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

#### Monday 21 April (2.30pm)

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

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

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

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

#### Tuesday 22 April (11.00am)

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

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

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

#### Wednesday 23 April (3.00pm)

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

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

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

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

#### Thursday 24 April (11.00am)

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

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

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

#### Friday 25 April (10.00am)

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

**Debate** – on the impact of economic inequality on the family, and to move for papers (Abp. Canterbury)

#### Provisional Future Business of the House of Lords 28 April – 1 May 2008

#### Monday 28 April (2.30pm)

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

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

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

#### Tuesday 29 April (2.30pm)

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

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

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

#### Wednesday 30 April (3.00pm)

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

**Legislation** – Criminal Justice and Immigration Bill (Third reading)

**Legislation** – National Insurance Contributions Bill (Second reading)

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

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

#### Thursday 1 May (11.00am)

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

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

**Debates** – Crossbench debates

#### **Legislation – General Notes**

In the list of Bills which follows, the type of Bill is shown at the left-hand margin next to the title by the following codes:

G Government Bills C Consolidation Bills

**B** Private Members' Bills (under the ballot procedure). The number after refers to position in ballot

P Private Members' Bills (under SO No 57)

T Private Members' Bills (under the Ten Minute Rule, SO No 23)

L Private Members' Bills starting in the House of Lords

[HL] Bill starting in the House of Lords

HYBRID Public Bill which affects private interests of particular persons or corporate bodies as distinct from

the private interests of all persons or bodies

#### Abbreviations:

1R First reading: date of presentation (formal, no debate)
2R Second reading (debate on the principle(s) of the Bill)

MR Money resolution (normally taken after 2R only shown in the list if taken at another time)

GM Guillotine Motion

SRC Second Reading Committee (2R taken in Committee: formal 2R in whole House next day unless

otherwise stated)

SGC/WGC Scottish or Welsh Grand Committee consideration of principles (equates with SRC)

PBC Public Bill Committee in the House of Commons

Comm Committee of the Whole House

Comm\*\* House of Lords Grand Committee, taken in a committee room

JCCB Joint Committee on Consolidation Bills

JC TLRB Joint Committee on Tax Law Re-write Bills (the date indicates the date on which the Bill was

committed to the Joint Committee).

SC Standing Committee

SSC/SSSC Special Standing Committee/Special Scottish Standing Committee on a Bill, where public evidence is

taken

CN Committee negatived. (Indicates that there was no debate at committee stage in the House of Lords)

OCD Order of Commitment discharged (no debate at committee stage in the House of Lords)

Rep Report stage (detailed review of the Bill as amended in committee)

3R Third reading (final debate on the Bill)

RS Remaining stages of a bill on the same day (usually report stage and third reading)

LA Lords' amendments considered in the House of Commons CA Commons' amendments considered in the House of Lords

RA Bill formally becomes an Act of Parliament

CH Chapter number CO Carry-over Motion

RC Re-committal to a Public Bill Committee, or to Committee stage in House of Lords

Prog Programme Motion
ATM Allocation of Time Motion
SelCom Bill referred to a Select Committee

Prov 2R (Rep,3R) Provisional date for 2R of a Bill etc. For Private Members' Bills (if set down for a Private Members

Bill Friday) this is followed, by the position of the Bill in the order of business for that day.

Pri Private sitting (can occur at any stage)

\* Indicates proceedings were formal with no debate

# Member in charge has named a date for consideration which is not a Private Members' Bill Friday,

therefore the Bill will not be debated.

Deb adj Debate adjourned

Order for 2nd

Reading lapsed

Bill has not been printed, therefore does not appear on the order paper on the named day

Dropped

Day for the next reading has not been named or time has run out for the Bill to be considered

Withdrawn Member in charge has withdrawn the Bill

Stood over Fewer than 40 Members present at a division, question not decided and business under consideration

stood over until next sitting of the House

#### Complete list of Public Bills before Parliament this Session

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

To save space, the list is abbreviated. The title of the Bill is followed by the name of the Member and/or Peer sponsoring it. The letter denotes the type of Bill (see Legislation – General Notes). This is followed by the Bill number(s) with full bill reprints indicated by the use of bold. Then follow the dates of the various stages. All forthcoming, and therefore provisional, dates are italicised. Government Bills are listed in bold type.

For an explanation of Parliamentary consideration of Public Bills see HCIO Factsheets L1 and L2

ALCOHOL LABELLING [HL] (L) Lord Mitchell

Lords: (10) \*1R: 22.11.2007 2R: 18.1.2008 Prov Comm: 1.5.2008

ALLOTMENTS (PLANNING) (T)

Tony Baldry

Commons: **(68)** 1R: 19.2.2008 (not printed - Dropped)

ANIMALS ACT 1971 (AMENDMENT) (B6) Stephen Crabb

Commons: (18) \*1R: 5.12.2007 2R: 14.3.2008 (1) (Deb adj) Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (7)

AUTUMN BANK HOLIDAY (T) Shona McIsaac

Commons: (82) 1R: 4.3.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (6)

BANKING (SPECIAL PROVISIONS) (G) Alistair Darling / Lord Davies of Oldham

Commons: (73, 74) \*1R: 19.2.2008 Prog: 19.2.2008 2R: 19.2.2008 MR: 19.2.2008

Comm: 19.2.2008 \*Rep: 19.2.2008 3R: 19.2.2008

Lords: () 1R: 20.2.2008 2R: 20.2.2008 Comm: 21.2.2008 Rep: 21.2.2008 3R: 21.2.2008

CA: 21.2.2008

Commons: () LA: 21.2.2008

RA: 21.2.2008 (Ch. 2)

**BANKING (SPECIAL PROVISIONS) ACT** 

BOROUGH FREEDOM [HL] (L)

Lord Graham of Edmonton

Lords: (48) \*1R: 2.4.2008 Prov 2R: No date

BOROUGH FREEDOM (B15) Derek Conway

Commons: (23) \*1R: 5.12.2007 (not printed - Withdrawn)

BRITISH BOARD OF FILM CLASSIFICATION (ACCOUNTABILITY TO PARLIAMENT AND

Julian Brazier

APPEALS) (B4)

Commons: (16) \*1R: 5.12.2007 2R: 29.2.2008 (1) (Deb adj - Dropped)

BROADCASTING (TELEVISION LICENCE FEE ABOLITION) (P)

Christopher Chope

Commons: (39) \*1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 17.10.2008 (1)

CHANNEL TUNNEL RAIL LINK (SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS)

Ruth Kelly / Lord Bassam of Brighton (G)

Prog: 20.11.2007

MR: 20.11.2007

Commons: (4) \*1R: 8.11.2007 2R: 20.11.2007 Comm: 4.12.2007 Rep: 17.1.2008 3R: 17.1.2008

Lords: (21) 1R: 18.1.2008 2R: 19.2.2008 Comm\*\*: 12.3.2008 Rep: 31.3.2008

Prov 3R: 23.4.2008

CHILD MAINTENANCE AND OTHER PAYMENTS (G)

John Hutton / Lord McKenzie of Luton

(introduced in 2006-07 and carried over to 2007-08)

Commons: (118, 156, 2006-07) 1R: 5.6.2007 2R: 4.7.2007 Prog: 4.7.2007 CO: 4.7.2007

MR: 4.7.2007 PBC: 17, 19 & 24.7; 9, 11 & 16.10.2007

Commons: (3, 2007-08) 1R: 7.11.2007 2R: 7.11.2007 Rep: 3.12.2007 3R: 3.12.2007

Lords: (12, 35, 2007-08) \*1R: 4.12.2007 2R: 18.12.2007

Comm\*\*: 29 & 31.1; 5, 7 & 20.2.2008 Rep: 7.5.2008

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS [HL] (G) Lord Adonis / Ed Balls

Lords: (8, 32) \*1R: 14.11.2007 2R: 26.11.2007 Comm\*\*: 8, 14, 16 & 17.1; 18.2.2008

Rep: 17.3.2008 3R: 25.3.2008

Commons: (96) 1R: 26.3.2008 Prov 2R: No date

Anne Snelgrove

CHRISTMAS SAVINGS SCHEMES (REGULATION) (T)

Commons: **(58)** 1R: 23.1.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (4)

CITIZENS' CONVENTION (P) Julia Goldsworthy

Commons: (49) \*1R: 17.12.2007 Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (3)

CLIMATE CHANGE (SECTORAL TARGETS) (P) Colin Challen

Commons: (62) \*1R: 22.1.2008 (Dropped)

CLIMATE CHANGE [HL] (G) Lord Rooker

Lords: (9) \*1R: 14.11.2007 2R: 27.11.2007 Comm: 11 & 17.12.2007; 8, 9, 14, 23 & 30.1; 4.2.2008

Rep: 25.2; 4, 11 & 18.3.2008 3R: 31.3.2008

Commons: (97) Prov 1R: No date

**CONSOLIDATED FUND (G)** Jane Kennedy

Commons: (14) \*1R: 5.12.2007 2R: 6.12.2007 3R: 6.12.2007

Lords: () \*1R: 6.12.2007 2R: 12.12.2007 CN: 12.12.2007 3R: 12.12.2007

\*RA: 13.12.2007 (Ch. 31)

**CONSOLIDATED FUND ACT 2007** 

CONSOLIDATED FUND (APPROPRIATION) (G) Jane Kennedy

Commons: (85) \*1R: 10.3.2008 \*2R: 11.3.2008 \*3R: 11.3.2008

Lords: () \*1R: 12.3.2008 2R: 19.3.2008

RA: 20.3.2008 (Ch. 3)

**APPROPRIATION ACT 2008** 

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\*1R: 26.2.2008 (Dropped) Commons: (78)

Jacqui Smith **COUNTER-TERRORISM (G)** 

Commons: (63) 1R: 24.1.2008 2R: 1.4.2008 Prog: 1.4.2008 MR: 1.4.2008

Prov PBC: 22 & 24.4.2008

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (RAVES) (T) Christopher Fraser

Commons: **(69)** 1R: 20.2.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 6.6.2008 (4)

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND IMMIGRATION (G) David Hanson / Lord Hunt of Kings Heath

(introduced in 2006-07 and carried over to 2007-08)

Commons: (130, 2006-07) 1R: 26.6.2007 2R: 8.10.2007 Prog: 8.10.2007

CO: 8.10.2007 PBC: 16, 18, 23 & 25.10.2007 MR: 8.10.2007

Commons: (1, 15, 2007-08) 1R: 7.11.2007 \*2R: 7.11.2007 PBC: 20, 22, 27 & 29.11.2007

Prog: 9.1.2008 Rep: 9.1.2008 3R: 9.1.2008

Lords: (15, 2007-08) 1R: 9.1.2008 2R: 22.1.2008 Comm: 5, 6, 26 & 27.2; 3, 5, 10 & 12.3.2008

Rep: 26.3; 2.4.2008 Prov Rep: 21 & 23.4.2008 Prov 3R: 30.4.2008

CROSSRAIL (HYBRID BILL) (HYBRID) Douglas Alexander / Lord Bassam of Brighton

(introduced in 2004-05, carried over to 2005-06, carried over to 2006-07 and carried over to 2007-08)

Commons: (62, 2004-05) \*1R: 22.2.2005 CO: 7.4.2005

Lords: (, 2004-05) CO: 7.4.2005 CO: 7.4.2005 CO: 7.4.2005 CO: 7.4.2005 Commons: (1, 2005-06) 2R: 19.7.2005 \*1R: 18.5.2005 MR: 19.7.2005

SelCom: 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26 & 31.1; 1, 7, 8, 9, 15 & 28.2; 1, 9, 14, 15, 16, 21, 23, 28, 29 & 30.3; 18, 19, 20 & 27.4; 2, 9, 1 0, 11, 16, 17, 18, 23 & 24.5; 6, 7, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 & 29.6; 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 25 & 26.7; 11, 12, 17, 18,

19 & 24.10.2006 CO: 31.10.2006

Lords: (, 2005-06) CO: 6.11.2006 CO: 6.11.2006 CO: 6.11.2006 Commons: (2, 163, 2006-07) \*1R: 16.11.2006 \*2R: 16.11.2006

PBC: 16, 17, 18, 25, 30 & 31.1; 6, 7, 8, 20, 21 & 27.2; 1, 13, 14, 20, 22 & 28.3; 10 & 12.7; 9.10.2007

CO: 23.10.2007

Lords: (, 2006-07) CO: 25.10.2007

Commons: (5, 10, 2007-08) \*2R: 8.11.2007 PBC: 22 & 27.11.2007 \*1R: 8.11.2007

Rep: 13.12.2007 3R: 13.12.2007

Lords: (14, 2007-08) \*1R: 14.12.2007 2R: 9.1.2008

SelCom: 19, 20, 26, 27 & 28.2; 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 26, 27 & 31.3; 1, 2 & 3.4.2008

Prov SelCom: 21.4.2008

CROWN EMPLOYMENT (NATIONALITY) (P)

Andrew Dismore

Commons: (43) \*1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 6.6.2008 (2) DISABLED PERSONS (INDEPENDENT LIVING) [HL] (L)

Lord Ashley of Stoke / Roger Berry

Lords: (4) \*1R: 7.11.2007 2R: 14.12.2007 OCD: 4.2.2008 3R: 25.2.2008

Commons: (84) \*1R: 4.3.2008 Prov 2R: 16.5.2008 (6)

DISQUALIFICATION FROM PARLIAMENT (TAXATION STATUS) (B20)

Gordon Prentice

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

DORMANT BANK AND BUILDING SOCIETY ACCOUNTS [HL] (G) Lord Davies of Oldham

Lords; (2, 17, 26) \*1R; 7.11.2007 2R; 21.11.2007 Comm\*\*: 10 & 11.12.2007; 10 & 15.1.2008

Rep: 29.1.2008 3R: 26.2.2008

Commons: (80) 1R: 27.2.2008 Prov 2R: No date

DRUGS (RECLASSIFICATION) (P) Christopher Chope

Commons: (37) \*1R: 10.12.2007 Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (5)

DRUGS (ROADSIDE TESTING) (P) Christopher Chope

Commons: (38) \*1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (3)

EDUCATION (CHILDREN WITH AUTISM) (T)

Lee Scott

Commons: (56) 1R: 16.1.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (4)

EDUCATION AND SKILLS (G) Ed Balls

Commons: (12, 81) \*1R: 28.11.2007 2R: 14.1.2008 Prog: 14.1.2008 MR: 14.1.2008 PBC: 22, 24, 29 & 31.1; 5, 7, 19, 21, 26 & 28.2.2008 Prov Rep: No date Prov 3R: No date

EMPLOYMENT [HL] (G) Lord Jones of Birmingham

Lords: (13) \*1R: 6.12.2007 2R: 7.1.2008 Comm\*\*: 4 & 25.2; 13.3; 3.4.2008 Prov Rep: No

date

EMPLOYMENT RETENTION (T)

John Robertson

Commons: (60) 1R: 29.1.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (9)

ENERGY (G) John Hutton

Commons: (53, 79) \*1R: 10.1.2008 2R: 22.1.2008 Prog: 22.1.2008 MR: 22.1.2008 PBC: 5, 19, 21, 26 & 28.2; 4, 6 & 11.3.2008 Prov Rep: 30.4.2008 Prov 3R: 30.4.2008

ENERGY SAVING (DAYLIGHT) (B10)
Tim Yeo

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

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (AIRPORTS) (B17)

Justine Greening

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

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (TRANSFERS AT SEA) (B8)

Mark Lazarowicz

Commons: (20) \*1R: 5.12.2007 2R: 25.1.2008 (2) (Deb adj - Withdrawn)

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1990 (AMENDMENT) (T)

Bernard Jenkin

Commons: (86) 1R: 11.3.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (8)

EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (FINANCE) (G)

Alistair Darling / Lord Davies of Oldham

Commons: (2) \*1R: 7.11.2007 2R: 19.11.2007 Prog: 19.11.2007 MR: 19.11.2007

\*Prog: 15.1.2008 Comm: 15.1.2008 Rep: 15.1.2008 3R: 15.1.2008

Lords: (2) 1R: 16.1.2008 2R: 4.2.2008 CN: 4.2.2008 3R: 18.2.2008

\*RA: 19.2.2008 (Ch. 1)

**EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (FINANCE) ACT** 

EUROPEAN UNION (AMENDMENT) (G)

David Miliband

Commons: **(48)** \*1R: 17.12.2007 2R: 21.1.2008 Comm: 29 & 30.1; 5, 6, 20, 25, 26 & 27.2; 3, 4 & 5.3.2008 3R: 11.3.2008

Lords: (40) \*1R: 12.3.2008 2R: 1.4.2008 Prov Comm: 22 & 29.4; 7, 12, 14 & 20.5.2008

EUROPEAN UNION (AUDIT OF BENEFITS AND COSTS OF UK MEMBERSHIP) (P)

Christopher Chope

Commons: (41) \*1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 20.6.2008 (1)

EXPENSES OF PUBLIC SERVANTS (PUBLICATION) (P)

Norman Baker

22

Commons: (46) \*1R: 18.12.2007 Prov 2R: 6.6.2008 (5)

FINANCE (G) Jane Kennedy

Commons: (89) 1R: 18.3.2008 Prov 2R: 21.4.2008 Prov Comm: 28 & 29.4.2008

FIREWORKS ACT 2003 (AMENDMENT) (T)

Rob Marris

Commons: (83) 1R: 5.3.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 17.10.2008 (5)

FIXED TERM PARLIAMENTS (B12)

David Howarth

Commons: (**30**) \*1R: 5.12.2007 *Prov 2R: 16.5.2008 (2)* 

FOOD PRODUCTS (MARKETING TO CHILDREN) (B7)

Nigel Griffiths

Commons: (19) \*1R: 5.12.2007 Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (1)

FOOTBALL SPECTATORS AND SPORTS GROUNDS (P)

Russell Brown

Commons: (59) \*1R: 22.1.2008 Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (5)

FORCES WIDOWS' PENSIONS (EQUALITY OF TREATMENT) (B13)

Michael Mates

Commons: (31) \*1R: 5.12.2007 2R: 1.2.2008 (3) (Deb adj) Prov 2R: 17.10.2008 (4)

FOREIGN NATIONALS (STATISTICS) (B19) William Cash

Commons: (36) \*1R: 5.12.2007 (Not printed) *Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (2)* 

HEALTH AND SAFETY (OFFENCES) (B9)

Keith Hill

Commons: (29) \*1R: 5.12.2007 2R: 1.2.2008 (2) PBC: 26.3.2008 Prov Rep: 13.6.2008 (1)

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE (G)
Alan Johnson

Commons: (9, 52) \*1R: 15.11.2007 2R: 26.11.2007 Prog: 26.11.2007 MR: 26.11.2007

PBC: 8, 10, 15, 17, 22 & 24.1.2008 Rep: 18.2.2008 3R: 18.2.2008

Lords: (33) \*1R: 19.2.2008 2R: 25.3.2008 Prov Comm\*\*: 21, 29 & 30.4; 6.5.2008

HOUSE OF LORDS (AMENDMENT) [HL] (L)

Lord Avebury

Lords: (22) \*1R: 21.1.2008 2R: 22.2.2008 Prov Comm: No date

HOUSE OF LORDS (MEMBERS' TAXATION STATUS) [HL] (L)

Lord Oakeshott of Seagrove Bay

Lords: (38) \*1R: 27.2.2008 2R: 14.3.2008 Prov Comm: 24.4.2008

HOUSE OF LORDS [HL] (L)

Lord Steel of Aikwood

Lords: (3) \*1R: 7.11.2007 2R: 30.11.2007 Comm: 17.1.2008 Prov Comm: No date

HOUSING AND REGENERATION (G)
Hazel Blears

Commons: (8) \*1R: 15.11.2007 2R: 27.11.2007 Prog: 27.11.2007 MR: 27.11.2007 PBC: 11 & 13.12.2007; 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29 & 31.1.2008 Rep: 31.3.2008 3R: 31.3.2008

Lords: (47) 1R: 1.4.2008 Prov 2R: 28.4.2008 Rep. 51.5.2008 3R. 51.5.20

HUMAN FERTILISATION AND EMBRYOLOGY [HL] (G)

Lord Darzi of Denham

Lords: (6, 25) \*1R: 8.11.2007 2R: 19 & 21.11.2007 Comm: 3, 4, 10 & 12.12.2007

Rep: 15, 21 & 28.1.2008 3R: 4.2.2008 Commons: (70) 1R: 5.2.2008 Prov 2R: No date

HUMAN RIGHTS ACT 1998 (MEANING OF PUBLIC FUNCTION) (T)

Andrew Dismore

Commons: (45) 1R: 18.12.2007 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 16.5.2008 (4)

ILLEGALLY LOGGED TIMBER (PROHIBITION OF SALE AND DISTRIBUTION) (T)

Barry Gardiner

Commons: (94) 1R: 2.4.2008 *Prov 2R: 17.10.2008 (8)* 

IMMIGRATION (DISCHARGED GURKHAS) [HL] (L)

Lord Lee of Trafford

Lords: (43) 1R: 18.3.2008 Prov 2R: No date

IRAQ WAR INQUIRY (P) Edward Davey

Commons: (91) \*1R: 20.3.2008 (Not printed) *Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (8)* 

IRAQ WAR INQUIRY [HL] (L) Lord McNally

Lords: (45) 1R: 20.3.2008 Prov 2R: No date

KIDNEY TRANSPLANT [HL] (L)

Baroness Finlay of Llandaff

Lords: (11) \*1R: 28.11.2007 2R: 18.1.2008 Prov Comm: No date

LAND USE (GARDEN PROTECTION) (T)

Commons: (88) 1R: 18.3.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 13.6.2008 (6)

LEASEHOLD REFORM (B14) Simon Hughes

Caroline Spelman

Commons: (32) \*1R: 5.12.2007 2R: 22.2.2008 (2) (Deb adj) Prov 2R: 13.6.2008 (5)

LOCAL AUTHORITY POWERS (ELECTION CAMPAIGNS) (T)

Mr Tobias Ellwood

Commons: (90) 1R: 19.3.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 17.10.2008 (6)

LOCAL TRANSPORT [HL] (G) Lord Bassam of Brighton / Ruth Kelly

Lords: (1, 15) \*1R: 7.11.2007 2R: 20.11.2007 Comm\*\*: 6, 12 & 17.12.2007

Rep: 16.1.2008 3R: 30.1.2008

Commons: (67) \*1R: 31.1.2008 2R: 26.3.2008 \*Prog: 26.3.2008 \*MR: 26.3.2008

Prov PBC: 22 & 24.4.2008

MICROGENERATION (DEFINITION) (AMENDMENT) (P)

David Drew

Commons: (95) \*1R: 26.3.2008 Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (11)

NAIL BARS AND SPECIAL TREATMENT PREMISES (REGULATION) (T)

Phyllis Starkey

Commons: (87) 1R: 17.3.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (10)

NATIONAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS (G)

Alistair Darling

Commons: (7) \*1R: 12.11.2007 2R: 17.12.2007 Prog: 17.12.2007 PBC: 15.1.2008

Rep: 31.1.2008 3R: 31.1.2008

Lords: (28) 1R: 4.2.2008 Prov 2R: 30.4.2008

OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS INDUSTRIES (HEALTH AND SAFETY) (T)
Frank Doran

Commons: (93) 1R: 1.4.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 9.5.2008 (9)

ONLINE PURCHASING OF GOODS AND SERVICES (AGE VERIFICATION) (T)

Margaret Moran

Commons: (57) 1R: 22.1.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 16.5.2008 (5)

PEDLARS (STREET TRADING REGULATIONS) (P)

Brian Iddon

Commons: (44) \*1R: 10.12.2007 Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (7)

PENSIONS (G)

Commons: (25, 75) \*1R: 5.12.2007 2R: 7.1.2008 Prog: 7.1.2008 MR: 7.1.2008 PBC: 15, 17, 22, 24, 29 & 31.1; 5, 7, 19 & 21.2.2008 Prov Rep: 22.4.2008 Prov 3R: 22.4.2008

PERSONAL DEBT (ADVICE AND REGULATION) (T)

Sandra Gidley

Commons: (77) 1R: 27.2.2008 Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (6)

PLANNING (G) Hazel Blears

Commons: (11, 71) \*1R: 27.11.2007 2R: 10.12.2007 PBC: 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29 & 31.1; 5.2.2008 Prog: 10.12.2007 MR: 10.12.2007 Prov Rep: No date

PLANNING (LOCATION OF HAZARDOUS SITES) (T)

Bob Spink

Commons: (55) 1R: 15.1.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 6.6.2008 (3)

PLANNING AND ENERGY (B1) Michael Fallon

Commons: (17, 72) \*1R: 5.12.2007 2R: 25.1.2008 (1) PBC: 20.2.2008 Prov Rep: 9.5.2008 (1)

POWERS OF ENTRY ETC. [HL] (L)

Lord Selsdon

Lords: (5, 5) \*1R: 7.11.2007 2R: 14.12.2007 Prov Comm: No date

PRIVATE EQUITY (TRANSFER OF UNDERTAKINGS AND PROTECTION OF EMPLOYMENT)

John Heppell

Commons: (28) \*1R: 5.12.2007 2R: 7.3.2008 (1) (Withdrawn)

PUBLIC SECTOR BUILDINGS (ENERGY PERFORMANCE) (B18)

Anne Snelgrove

Commons: (35) \*1R: 5.12.2007 (Not printed) *Prov 2R: 25.4.2008 (2)* 

RACE RELATIONS (ELECTION CANDIDATES) (T)

Keith Vaz

Commons: (66) 1R: 6.2.2008 Prov 2R: 13.6.2008 (4)

REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT AND SANCTIONS [HL] (G)

Lord Bach

Lords: (7, 46) \*1R: 8.11.2007 2R: 28.11.2007 Comm\*\*: 21, 23, 28 & 30.1; 6.2.2008

Rep: 19 & 31.3.2008 Prov 3R: 28.4.2008

RETAIL DEVELOPMENT [HL] (L) Lord Cotter

Lords: (23) \*1R: 22.1.2008 2R: 22.2.2008 OCD: 25.3.2008 Prov 3R: No date

ROAD TRAFFIC (CONGESTION REDUCTION) (P) Christopher Chope

Commons: (42) \*1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 13.6.2008 (3)

ROAD TRAFFIC (PROHIBITION OF ANTI-DETECTION DEVICES) (P)

Alistair Carmichael

Commons: (47) \*1R: 18.12.2007 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 16.5.2008 (3)

RUNAWAY AND MISSING CHILDREN (T)

Helen Southworth

Commons: (51) 1R: 9.1.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 20.6.2008 (2)

SAFETY DEPOSIT CURRENT ACCOUNTS [HL] (L) Earl of Caithness

Lords: (27) \*1R: 30.1.2008 Prov 2R: 25.4.2008

SALE OF STUDENT LOANS (G)

John Denham / Lord Triesman

Commons: (6, 13) \*1R: 8.11.2007 2R: 22.11.2007 Prog: 22.11.2007 MR: 22.11.2007

PBC: 4.12.2007 Rep: 23.1.2008 3R: 23.1.2008

Lords: (24) 1R: 24.1.2008 2R: 19.2.2008 Prov Comm\*\*: No date

SALE OF WINE (MEASURES) (T) Greg Mulholland

Commons: (64) 1R: 30.1.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 20.6.2008 (3)

SMALL PRINT (T) Nick Palmer

Commons: (76) 1R: 26.2.2008 (Dropped)

SOUND RECORDINGS (COPYRIGHT TERM EXTENSION) (B16)

Pete Wishart

Commons: (33) \*1R: 5.12.2007 (not printed - Withdrawn)

SOVEREIGNTY OF PARLIAMENT (EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES) (P) Christopher Chope

Commons: (40) \*1R: 10.12.2007 (Not printed) *Prov 2R: 13.6.2008 (2)* 

SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS (INFORMATION) (B2) Sharon Hodgson

Commons: (26) \*1R: 5.12.2007 2R: 1.2.2008 (1) PBC: 12.3.2008 Prov 3R: 16.5.2008 (1)

STATUTE LAW (REPEALS) [HL] (G)

Lord Hunt of Kings Heath

Lords: (37) \*1R: 27.2.2008 2R: 18.3.2008 Prov SelCom: No date

SUNDAY TRADING (HORTICULTURE) [HL] (L) Earl of Courtown

Lords: (39) 1R: 10.3.2008 Prov 2R: No date

SUSTAINABLE ENERGY (LOCAL PLANS) (P)

Alan Simpson

Commons: (92) \*1R: 25.3.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 17.10.2008 (7)

TEMPORARY AND AGENCY WORKERS (EQUAL TREATMENT) (B3)

Andrew Miller

Commons: (27) \*1R: 5.12.2007 2R: 22.2.2008 (1) Prov PBC: No date

TORTURE (DAMAGES) [HL] (L) Lord Archer of Sandwell

Lords: (30) \*1R: 5.2.2008 *Prov 2R: No date* 

UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD (DONATION) (T)

David Burrowes

Commons: (50) 1R: 8.1.2008 (Not printed) Prov 2R: 17.10.2008 (2)

UNION FLAG (T)

Andrew Rosindell

Commons: (65) 1R: 5.2.2008 (Not printed) *Prov 2R: 17.10.2008 (3)* 

VOTING AGE (REDUCTION) (B22)

Julie Morgan

Commons: (22) \*1R: 5.12.2007 (Not printed) *Prov 2R: 6.6.2008 (1)* 

#### Presentation and Publication of Public Bills and Acts 31 March – 4 April 2008

## Presentation of Bills (not yet published by Parliament)

Date	Title and type of Bill	Bill No.
3.4	Borough Freedom Bill [HL] (L)	48
2.4	Illegally Logged Timber (Prohibition of Sale and Distribution) Bill (T)	94
1.4	Offshore Oil and Gas Industries (Health and Safety) Bill (T)	93

#### Bills published after presentation

Date	Title and type of Bill	Bill No.	ISBN	Price £
3.4	Borough Freedom Bill [HL] (L)	48	010 8437021	2.00
3.4	Citizens' Convention Bill (P)	49	0215 709745	1.50
2.4	Food Products (Marketing to Children) Bill (B7)	19	0215 709721	1.50
3.4	Illegally Logged Timber (Prohibition of Sale and Distribution) Bill (T)	94	0215 709752	1.50
3.4	Microgeneration (Definition) (Amendment) Bill (P)	95	0215 709769	1.00

#### Bills receiving Royal Assent and Acts published

Date Title Ch No.

None

## Acts published after Royal Assent date

Date	Title	Ch No.	ISBN	Price £
4.5	Appropriation Act 2008	2	010 5403081	7.50

## Public and General Acts 2007 - 2008

Date of Royal Assent	Title	Ch No.	ISBN	Price £
13.12	Consolidation Fund Act 2007	31	010 5431077	3.00
19.2	European Communities (Finance) Act 2008	1	010 5401087	3.00
21.2	Banking (Special Provisions) Act 2008	2	010 5402084	4.50
20.3	Appropriation Act 2008	3	010 5403081	7.50
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# **Church of England Measures**

Date	Title	Paper No.	ISBN	Price £
None				

## **Publication of Bills and Acts on the Internet**

Public Bills before Parliament	Private Bills before Parliament
http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/pabills.htm	http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/privbill.htm
Full text of Public General Acts since 1988	Full text of Local Acts since 1991
http://www.opsi.gov.uk/acts.htm	http://www.opsi.gov.uk/acts.htm

#### Draft Bills under consideration or published during 2007-08 Session

As part of the reforms to the legislative process initiated by the Modernisation Committee, the government now publishes a number of bills each session in draft form, before they are introduced into parliament as formal bills. This enables consultation and pre-legislative scrutiny before a bill is issued formally.

Increasingly, it had become the practice in recent sessions for the House to refer these to a joint committee of the Commons and Lords appointed for the specific purpose of examining and reporting on a named draft bill. On occasions a draft bill may be referred to one of the departmental select committees or a select committee appointed for that specific purpose.

Listed below are draft bills that are currently under consideration or that have been published during the 2007/08 Session of Parliament. Further information on draft bills, including those from previous sessions can be viewed on the Parliament website at <a href="http://www.parliament.uk/bills/draftbills.cfm">http://www.parliament.uk/bills/draftbills.cfm</a>. This page links to electronic copies of the draft bills and related publications including select committee reports on the draft bills.

Title	Date Published	Paper No and ISBN	Committee	Committee Reports	Government Response
Apprenticeship Reform Bill					
Citizenship and Immigration Bill					
Constitutional Renewal Bill	25.3.08	Cm 7342-II 010 1734226			
Cultural Property (Armed Conflicts) Bill	7.1.08	Cm 7298 010 1729820			
Heritage Protection Bill	2.4.08	Cm 7349 010 1734929			
Marine Bill	3.4.08	Cm 7351 010 1735124			
Marine Navigation and Port Safety Bill					

## **Private Legislation: General Notes**

#### **Abbreviations**

1R First Reading

2R Second Reading

CO Carry-over or revival motion (To enable Bill to progress through Parliament across more than one session)

BR Bill Reintroduced (Together with any other formal stages necessary to return the Bill to the point it had reached in the

previous session)

BC Bill committed (as yet the type of Committee is not known)

UBC Bill committed to an unopposed committee (If two dates are given the last is the date on which the committee

reported)

OBC Bill committed to an opposed committee (If two dates are given the last is the date on which the committee

reported)

Rep Report stage (House of Commons only)

3R Third Reading

CA Commons' amendments considered by the House of Lords

LA Lords' amendments considered by the House of Commons

Debate Bill debated, otherwise the stages are taken formally. In the House of Commons this will be at 7 pm

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

January 2004

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

Bircham Dyson Bell LLP, 50 Broadway, Westminster, London, SW1H 0BL, 020 7227 7000

E-mail: pamthompson@bdb-law.co.uk

Eversheds LLP, Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria Street, London, EC4V 4JL, 020 7919 4500

E-mail: monicapeto@eversheds.com

Rees & Freres, 1 The Sanctuary, London, SW1P 3JT, 020 7222 5381

E-mail: enquiries@1thesanctuary.com

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.

Lords may obtain them from the Lords Private Bill Office.

#### Complete List of Private bills before Parliament this Session

The following is a list of Private Bills before Parliament. Private Bills originate outside Parliament and are promoted by bodies seeking special powers not available under the general law. Each Bill starts with a petition to Parliament from the promoter for leave to bring in a Bill; this must be deposited on or before 27 November. Any such petitions will be noted below until they gain a 1<sup>st</sup> Reading.

Parties affected by a Bill may present a petition against it, clearly stating the grounds of their objection. The petitioning period will be shown beneath the Bill until the deadline has expired.

House of Commons Private Bill Office: Mick Hillyard (Tel: 020 7219 3250 e-mail: prbohoc@parliament.uk) House of Lords Private Bill Office: Chris Bolton (Tel: 020 7219 3231 e-mail: prbohol@parliament.uk)

For an explanation of parliamentary consideration of Private Bills see HCIO Factsheet L4

#### BOURNEMOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL [HL] (Sharpe Pritchard)

Lords: (2006-07)	1R: 22.1.2007	2R: 20.2.2007 (Instruction to Committee)	OBC: 3 & 10.7.2007
	CO: 22.10.2007		
Commons: (2006-07)	CO: 24.10.2007		
Lords: (2007-08)	BR: 8.11.2007	3R: 29.11.2007	
Commons: (2007-08)	1R: 29.11.2007	Prov 2R: 24.4.2008	
(The Bill is opposed, 3 pe	titions outstanding)		

#### **BROADS AUTHORITY** (Winckworth Sherwood)

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Commons: (2006-07)	1R: 23.1.2007	2R: 25.4.2007 (Debate	e)OBC: 17 & 18.7.2007	CO: 16.10.2007		
Lords: (2006-07)	CO: 22.10.2007					
Commons: (2007-08)	BR: 13.11.2007	Rep: 23.1.2008	Prov 3R: 3.4.2008			
(There will be an opportunity to petition in the Lords when the Bill reaches that House.)						

#### **CANTERBURY CITY COUNCIL** (Sharpe Pritchard)

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

#### LEEDS CITY COUNCIL (Sharpe Pritchard)

Commons: (2007-08) 1R: 22.1.2008 *Prov 2R: 24.4.2008* 

(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the Commons)

#### LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITIES [HL] (Sharpe Pritchard)

Lords: (2007-08) 1R: 22.1.2008 2R: 20.2.2008 OBC: No date

( The Bill is opposed. There are 4 petitions outstanding )

#### LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITIES (SHOPPING BAGS) (Sharpe Pritchard)

Commons: (2007-08) 1R: 22.1.2008 Prov 2R: 24.4.2008

(The Bill is opposed. There are 7 petitions outstanding)

#### LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND TRANSPORT FOR LONDON (Sharpe Pritchard)

Commons: (2004-05)	1R: 25.1.2005			
Commons: (2005-06)	CO: 19.5.2005			
Lords: (2005-06)	CO: 24.5.2005			
Commons: (2005-06)	BR: 25.5.2005	2R: 21.6.2005	OBC: 1, 2 & 3.11.200	)5
	Rep: 8.12.2005	3R: 15.12.2005		
Lords: (2005-06)	1R: 15.12.2005	2R: 1.2.2006	OBC: 26.6.2006	CO: 31.10.2006
Commons: (2005-06)	CO: 6.11.2006			
Lords: (2006-07)	BR: 22.11.2006			
Commons: (2006-07)	BR: 22.11.2006			
Lords: (2006-07)	UBC: 25.4.2007	CO: 22.10.2007		
Commons: (2006-07)	CO: 24.10.2007			
Lords: (2007-08)	BR: 13.11.2007			
Commons: (2007-08)	BR: 13.11.2007			
Lords: (2007-08)	Prov 3R: No date			

#### LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND TRANSPORT FOR LONDON (NO. 2) [HL] (Sharpe Pritchard)

Lords: (2007-08) 1R: 22.1.2008 2R: 20.2.2008 OBC: No date

(The Bill is opposed. There are 3 petitions outstanding)

MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL [HL] (Sharpe Pritchard)

Lords: (2006-07) 1R: 22.1.2007 2R: 20.2.2007 OBC: 3 & 10.7.2007 CO: 22.10.2007

Commons: (2006-07) CO: 24.10.2007

Lords: (2007-08) BR: 8.11.2007 3R: 29.11.2007 Commons: (2007-08) 1R: 29.11.2007 *Prov 2R: 24.4.2008* 

(The Bill is opposed, 1 petition outstanding)

NORTHERN BANK (Bircham Dyson Bell LLP)

Commons: (2007-08) 1R: 22.1.2008 2R: 29.1.2008 (No petitions were presented against the Bill in the Commons)

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL (Sharpe Pritchard)

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

**READING BOROUGH COUNCIL** (Sharpe Pritchard)

Commons: (2007-08) 1R: 22.1.2008 Prov 2R: 24.4.2008

(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the Commons)

ST. AUSTELL MARKET (Bircham Dyson Bell LLP)

Commons: (2007-08) 1R: 22.1.2008 2R: 29.1.2008 UBC: 26.3.2008

(No petitions were presented against the Bill in the Commons)

TRANSPORT FOR LONDON [HL] (Eversheds LLP)

Lords: (2005-06) 1R: 23.1.2006 2R: 8.2.2006 OBC: 23.10.2006 CO: 31.10.2006

Commons: (2005-06) CO: 6.11.2006

Lords: (2006-07) BR: 16.11.2006 UBC: 13.3.2007 3R: 2.5.2007 Commons: (2006-07) 1R: 2.5.2007 2R: 21.5.2007 CO: 17.10.2007

Lords: (2006-07) CO: 22.10.2007

Commons: (2007-08) BR: 8.11.2007 Prov OBC: 2.4.2008

(The Bill was opposed in both Houses)

TRANSPORT FOR LONDON (SUPPLEMENTAL TOLL PROVISIONS) [HL] (Eversheds LLP)

Lords: (2006-07) 1R: 22.1.2007 2R: 26.4.2007 CO: 22.10.2007

Commons: (2006-07) CO: 24.10.2007

Lords: (2007-08) BR: 8.11.2007 UBC: No date

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

Aberdeen City Council Provisional Order – Examined on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2008

#### **Delegated Legislation**

#### **Statutory Instruments**

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

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

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

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

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

Committee recommendation:

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

#### **Draft Proposals**

Date Laid	Title	Lords Committee Report & Recommendation	Commons Committee Report & Recommendation
11.12.2006	Regulatory Reform (Game) Order 2006	HL 44 (a)	(a) 6.3.2007 (HC 384)
18.12.2006	Regulatory Reform (Collaboration etc Between Ombudsmen) Order 2007	HL 44 (a)	(a) 6.3.2007 (HC 383)
18.12.2006	Regulatory Reform (Deer) Order 2007	HL 44 (a)	(b) 20.3.2007 (HC 411)
18.12.2006	Regulatory Reform (Financial Services and Markets Act 2000) Order 2006	HL 44 (a)	(a) 13.3.2007 (HC 397)

#### **Draft Orders**

Date Laid	Title and SI Number	Lords Committee Report & Recommendation	Commons Report Committee & Recommendation	Consideration L (Lords), C (Commons)
9.5.2007	Draft Regulatory Reform (Collaboration etc between Ombudsmen) Order 2007	HL 113(a)	HC 611(a)	26.6.2007 (C) 27.6.2007 (L)
24.5.2007	Draft Regulatory Reform (Financial Services and Markets Act 2000) Order 2007	HL 126(a)	HC 673(a)	5.7.2007 (C) 3.7.2007 (L)
4.6.2007	Draft Regulatory Reform (Game) Order 2007	HL 126(a)	HC 674(a)	25.6.2007 (C) 3.07.2007 (L)
5.7.2007	Draft Regulatory Reform (Deer) (England and Wales) Order 2007	HL 150(a)	HC 948(a)	24.7.2007 (C) 17.7.2007 (L)
25.7.2007	Draft Legislative Reform (Local Authority Consent Requirements) (England and Wales) Order 2007	HL 11 (b)	HC 135(a)	
29.1.2008	Draft Legislative Reform (Health and Safety Executive) Order 2008	HL 76 (a)	HC 398(a)	18.3.2008 (C) 31.3.2008 (L)

# Remedial Orders, Draft Remedial Orders and Urgent Procedure Remedial Orders: Proceedings as at 4 April 2008

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

#### Committee recommendation:

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

#### **Proposals for Draft Orders**

Date Jnt Cttee on Human Rights: Laid Title Report & Recommendation

None

**Draft Orders** 

Date Jnt Cttee on Human Rights: Lords Commons
Laid Title Report & Recommendation Consideration Consideration

None

**Urgent Orders** 

Date Jnt Cttee on Human Rights: Lords Commons
Laid Title Report & Recommendation Consideration Consideration

None

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

The Northern Ireland Assembly was restored from 8 May 2007 following a period of suspension from midnight on 14 October 2002. During suspension, legislation, which would otherwise have come within the competence of the Assembly, was made by Order in Council under Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 2000. The 2000 Act was also used to make Orders in Council which, while the Assembly was active, would have been made under section 85 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 (Orders making provision for certain reserved matters, for example the criminal law).

Unless made without Parliamentary Approval by reason of urgency, draft Orders in Council must be approved by a resolution of both Houses before being made (affirmative procedure). Orders in Council made before Parliamentary approval by reason of urgency (*U*), must be approved by both Houses within 40 days of being made. Some UK Acts, for example dealing with social security or pensions, provide for corresponding provisions to be made for Northern Ireland by means of an Order in Council under the 2000 Act, subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House (negative procedure (*N*)), rather than by the normal affirmative procedure.

Where appropriate, proposals for draft Orders in Council are issued for public consultation and on occasions may be considered by the Northern Ireland Grand Committee (G), before the draft Order is laid. Prior to formal approval being sought on the floor of the Commons, draft Orders are normally considered in a Delegated Legislation Committee (D) or, less frequently, by the Northern Ireland Grand Committee. The Northern Ireland Orders Grand Committee (O) would also, from time to time, consider a draft Order before formal approval is sought on the floor of the Lords.

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

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

UK legislation applying to Northern: 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:

UUrgent ProcedureDDelegated Legislation CommitteeGNorthern Ireland Grand committeeONorthern Ireland Order Grand CommitteeAApprovedNNegative Procedure

Title and SI No.	Consultation on Proposal	NIGC	(Draft) Order Laid	Commons	Lords	Privy Council
Draft Guardian's Allowance Uprating (Northern Ireland) Order 2007	N/A		30.01.2007	19.3.2007 (D) 27.3.2007 (A)	22.2.2007 (A)	N/A
Draft Northern Ireland Arms Decommissioning Act 1997 (Amnesty Period) Order 2008	N/A		4.12.2007	30.01.2007 (D) 4.02.2008 (A)	22.1.2008 (A)	N/A
Draft Guardian's Allowance Up-rating (Northern Ireland) Order 2008	N/A		6.02.2008	19.03.2008 (D) 26.03.08 (A)	6.03.2008 (A)	
Draft Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 2008	N/A		3.03.2008			

Title and SI No.	Consultation on Proposal	NIGC	(Draft) Order Laid	Commons	Lords	Privy Council
Draft Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 2008	N/A		3.03.2008			
Draft Electoral Administration Act 2006 (Regulation of Loans etc: Northern Ireland) Order 2008	N/A		11.03.2008			
Draft Parliamentary Constituencies (Northern Ireland) Order 2008	N/A		31.03.2008			

## 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.

DLSC - Draft Order considered by a Delegated Legislation Standing Committee in the House of Commons.

NIGC - Proposal for a draft Order considered in the Northern Ireland Grand Committee.

U - Urgent Act or Order (not in draft form) laid before Parliament.

Consequential Order (not in draft form) laid before Parliament. (subject to negative procedure)

\* - Taken formally.

SI - Statutory Instrument Number, shown after title P - Provisional date for next stage i.e. PSC: 01.07.2007

Title of Bill or Act

**Date Laid** 

**Royal Assent** 

None

# **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

Title of Order	A:	Agent	Final Order
Borough of Poole (Poole Harbour Opening Bridges)	13.12.2004	Rees and Freres	2006/No.2310
Order			Made 24.08.06
Cirrus Energy Shell Flat Offshore Wind Farm	28.8.2003	Winckworth Sherwood	Application withdrawn
Docklands Light Railway (Stratford International	21.9.2005	Bircham Dyson Bell	2006/No.2905
Extension) Order			Made 01.11.06
East Kent Railway Order	28.2.2006	Winckworth Sherwood	2007/No.3234 Made 09.11.07
Environment Agency (Inland Waterways) Order	18.10.2004	Bircham Dyson Bell	
Felixstowe Dock and Railway (Land Acquisition)	15.6.2004	Rees and Freres	2007/No.3345
Order			Made 26.11.07
Felixstowe Branch Line and Ipswich Yard	14.12.2005	DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary UK	
Improvement Order	5.5.2006 (revised)	LLP, 3 Noble Street, London, EC2V 7EE, Tel: 020 7153 7205	
London Gateway Logistics and Commercial Centre	14.2.2002	Berwin Leighton Paisner	2007/No.2657
		Adelaide House, EC4R 9HA	Made 07.09.07
London Underground (Archway Station) Order	29.11.2007	Berwin Leighton Paisner Adelaide House, EC4R 9HA	
London Underground (Victoria Station Upgrade) Order	22.11.2007	Bircham Dyson Bell	
Luton Dunstable Translink Order	18.12.2003	Rees and Freres	2006/No.3118
			Made 22.11.06
Ouseburn Barrage Order	11.11.2004	Newcastle City Council	2007/No.608
	27.1.2006 (revised)		Made 26.02.07
Pontypool and Blaenavon (Phase 1) Railway Order	15.8.2005	Winckworth Sherwood	2006/No.1691
			Made 20.06.06
Railtrack (Thameslink 2000)*	21.11.1997	Rees & Freres	2006/No.3117 Made 22.11.06
Railtrack (Thameslink 2000) Variation*	29.9.1999	Rees & Freres	2006/No.3117 Made 22.11.06
River Humber (Upper Burcom Tidal Stream	21.12.2007	Winckworth Sherwood	
Generator) Order			
Teesport (Land Acquisition) Order	26.5.2006	Rees & Freres	
Docklands Light Railway (Capacity Enhancement and 2012 Games Preparation) Order	2.8.2006	Rees & Freres	2007/No.2297 Made 02.08.07
The Nottingham Express Transit System Order	1.5.2007	Bircham Dyson Bell	

<sup>\*</sup>These two proposed Orders have since been consolidated into one which if made, would be entitled "The Network Rail (Thameslink 2000) Order"

#### **General Committees**

Factsheets on the Parliament website: http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary\_publications\_and\_archives/factsheets.cfm
Public Bill Committee debates on the Parliament website: http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/stand.htm
Other General Committee debates: http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/othstn.htm

# **Current Public Bill Committees, details of membership**

Bill	Status	Membership
Criminal Justice and Immigration	Reported	Issue 1 p25; Issue 2 p28
Crossrail	Reported	Issue 3 p29
Channel Tunnel Rail Link (Supplementary Provisions)	Reported	Issue 4 p33
Sale of Student Loans	Reported	Issue 4 p33
Housing and Regeneration Bill	Reported	Issue 5 p32; Issue 6 p33; Issue 7 p36
Health and Social Care Bill	Reported	Issue 5 p32
Planning Bill	Reported	Issue 6 p33; Issue 7 p36
National Insurance Contributions Bill	Reported	Issue 7 p36
Pensions Bill	Reported	Issue 7 p36; Issue 11 p34
Education and Skills Bill	Reported	Issue 8 p33
Energy Bill	Reported	Issue 9 p34
Planning and Energy Bill	Reported	Issue 10 p34; Issue 11 p34
Special Educational Needs (Information) Bill	Reported	Issue 14 p37
Health and Safety (Offences) Bill	Reported	Issue 14 p37; Issue 16 p41
Temporary and Agency Workers (Equal Treatment) Bill		Issue 16 p41
Counter-Terrorism Bill	15/05/2008	This issue
Local Transport Bill [HL]	8/05/2008	This issue

Dates in italics denote expected reporting date of Public Bill Committee as stated in the Programme Motion if made

#### Membership:

#### **Counter-Terrorism Bill**

Chairmen: Mr Edward O'Hara and Mr John Bercow

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

Mr Douglas Carswell discharged; Mr Douglas Hogg added

# **Local Transport Bill**

Chairmen: Mr David Taylor and Ann Winterton

Norman Baker	Mr Clive Betts	Mr Douglas Carswell	Stephen Hammond
Mrs Siân C. James	Mr David Kidney	Mr Greg Knight	Mr Bob Laxton
Mr John Leech	Kerry McCarthy	Mr Lee Scott	Ms Angela C. Smith
Ian Stewart	Graham Stringer	Mr Dave Watts	Ms Rosie Winterton

Jeremy Wright

# General Committee Meetings 31 March – 4 April 2008

#### Monday 31 March

1<sup>st</sup> DLC Draft Early Removal of Short-Term and Long-Term Prisoners (Amendment of requisite period) Order

2008 and Draft Early Removal of Fixed-Term Prisoners (Amendment of Eligibility Period) Order 2008

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

Tuesday 1 April

2<sup>nd</sup>DLC Draft Immigration (Registration Card) Order 2008

Wednesday 2 April

3<sup>rd</sup> DLC Draft Land Registration (Network Access) Rules 2008

Thursday 3 April

None

Friday 4 April

None

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# Forthcoming General Committee Meetings 21 – 25 April 2008

#### Monday 21 April

1 <sup>st</sup> DLC	Draft Immigration (	Biometric Immigration	Document Pilot) Regulat	ions 2008, 4.30pm, Room 9

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

#### **Tuesday 22 April**

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

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

ESC EU Documents Nos. 5489/08 and Addendum 1 and 5862/08 and Addenda 1 to 3 relating to the

Reduction of Greenhouse gas Emissions by 2020 and review of the emissions Trading Scheme, 4.30pm,

Room 10

#### Wednesday 23 April

None

#### Thursday 24 April

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

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

# Friday 25 April

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# **Select Committees**

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An index to the Select Committee home pages together with links to further pages containing information about their work and publications is on the Parliament website at:

http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary\_committees/parliamentary\_committees16.cfm

Membership:

# Select Committee Meetings 21 – 25 April

#### Monday 31 March

#### Innovation, Universities and Skills Sub-Committee

Subject: Biosecurity in UK Research Laboratories

Witnesses: Veterinary Laboratories Agency, Health Protection Agency, Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council, and the Medical Research Council; Institute for Animal Health, the Society for General Microbiology, and the Institute of Safety in Technology and Research

#### **Public Accounts**

Subject: Increasing employment rates for ethnic minorities

Witnesses: Sir Leigh Lewis KCB, Permanent Secretary, Nahid Majid OBE, Deputy Director, Area Initiatives and Communities Division, Department for Work and Pensions, and Chris Hayes, Director for London, Jobcentre Plus

#### Tuesday 1 April

#### **Regulatory Reform**

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

Commerce

#### **Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform**

Subject: Turkey: Trade and EU Accession

Witnesses: CBI and Turkish-British Business Council

#### Culture, Media and Sport\*

Subject: Harmful content on the Internet and in video games

Witnesses: Google; Dr Tanya Byron

#### **Defence**

Subject: Recruitment and retention in the Armed Forces

Witnesses: SaBRE; Institute of Career Guidance; Armor Group and Control Risks

#### Communities and Local Government\*

Subject: Community Cohesion and Migration

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

### Justice\*

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

#### Wednesday 2 April

# $Business,\,Enterprise\,\,and\,\,Regulatory\,\,Reform$

Subject: Creating a Higher Value-Added Economy

Witnesses: National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts and The Work Foundation

#### Foreign Affairs

Subject: Global Security: Japan and Korea

Witnesses: Ms Norma Kang Muico, Amnesty International; Sir Stephen Gomersall KCMG and Dr Jim Hoare

# **European Scrutiny**

Subject: Scrutiny of European Documents

Witnesses:

#### **Transport**

Subject: The Blue Badge (Disabled Parking) Reform Strategy

Witnesses: Rob Smith, Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee and Mobilise; Disability Alliance, Help the Aged, Citizens Advice and Technical Advisors Group; Rt Hon Rosie Winterton MP, Minister of State, and Miranda Carter, Head of Accessibility and Equalities Unit, Department for Transport

#### **Environmental Audit**

Subject: Climate change and local, regional and devolved government

Witnesses: Phil Woolas MP, Minister of State, Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, and Iain Wright MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Communities and Local Government

#### **Northern Ireland Affairs**

Subject: Policing and Criminal Justice in Northern Ireland

Witnesses: British Irish Rights Watch; Northern Ireland Retired Police Officers' Association

#### **Public Accounts\***

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

### Thursday 3 April

#### **Public Administration\***

Subject: Parliamentary Commissions of Inquiry

Witnesses: Rt Hon Lord Hurd of Westwell CH CBE, Rt Hon Lord Owen CH, Rt Hon Sir Menzies Campbell CBE QC MP and Adam Price MP

#### Health

Subject: Health Inequalities

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

#### Friday 4 April

None

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# Forthcoming Select Committee Meetings 21 – 25 April 2008

# Monday 21 April

Children, Schools and Families Subject: Looked-after children Witnesses: Professor Ian Sinclair, Research Professor, Children and Young People's Social Work Team, University of York, Robert Tapsfield, Chief Executive, The Fostering Network, and Kevin Williams, Chief Executive, The Adolescent and Children's Trust	3:45pm	The Wilson Room, Portcullis House				
Innovation, Universities, Science and Skills Sub Committee Subject: Biosecurity in UK Research Laboratories Witnesses: Lord McKenzie, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department for Work and Pensions, Rt Hon Dawn Primarolo MP, Minister of State, Department of Health, Ian Pearson MP, Minister of State, Department for innovation, Universities and Skills, and Rt Hon Lord Rooker of Perry Bar, Minister of State, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	4:15pm	The Grimond Room, Portcullis House				
Tuesday 22 April						
Treasury Subject: Inherited Estate Witnesses: Mr Peter Vicary-Smith, Chief Executive, Which?; Clare Spottiswoode CBE, Policyholder Advocate for Norwich Union (at 10.15 a.m.); and Mr Hector Sants, Chief Executive, Financial Services Authority (at 11.00 a.m.)	9:45am	The Thatcher Room, Portcullis House				
Business and Enterprise & Culture, Media and Sport Subject: Ofcom Annual Plan 2008–09 Witnesses: Lord Currie of Marylebone, Chairman, and Ed Richards, Chief Executive Officer, Ofcom	10:30am	Committee Room 16, Palace of Westminster				
<b>Defence</b> Subject: Recruitment and retention in the Armed Forces Witnesses: Ministry of Defence officials	10:30am	The Grimond Room, Portcullis House				
International Development Subject: The World Food Programme and Global Food Security Witnesses: Josette Sheeran, Executive Director, World Food Programme	10:30am	Committee Room 6, Palace of Westminster				
Home Affairs Subject: Policing in the 21st Century Witnesses: Association of Chief Police Officers and National Policing Improvement Agency; Custody Sergeant, Acton Police Station, Metropolitan Police (at 11.30 a.m.) Paul Carne (at 11.50 a.m.)	10:30am	The Wilson Room, Portcullis House				
Innovation, Universities, Science and Schools Subject: Investigating the oceans Witnesses: Rt Hon Hilary Benn MP, Secretary of State, and Professor Robert Watsor Chief Scientific Adviser, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	2:00pm	The Wilson Room, Portcullis House				
Public Administration Subject: Draft Constitutional Renewal Bill Witnesses: Sir Gus O'Donnell KCB, Rt Hon Ed Miliband MP	2:15pm	Committee Room 15, Palace of Westminster				

#### Wednesday 23 April

2:30pm The Grimond **Foreign Affairs** Subject: Scrutiny of Senior Diplomatic Appointments Room, Portcullis House

Witnesses: Mr Jack McConnell MSP

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

**Transport** 2:45pm Committee Room

Subject: Road Safety 6, Palace of Witnesses: Automobile Association, Motorcycle Action Group, Association of British Westminster Drivers, Road Haulage Association and Unite – the Union (Transport & General

Workers section); Play England, Help the Aged, Living Streets and CTC (at 3.45

**Public Accounts** 3:30pm Committee Room Subject: (i) Evasion of vehicle excise duty (ii) National Probation 15, Palace of

Witnesses: The supervision of Community Orders in England Witnesses: (i) Stephen Hickey, Director-General, Safety, Service Delivery and Logistics Group, Anthony Boucher, Statistics Directorate, Department for Transport and Noel Shanahan, Chief Executive, DVLA (ii) Sir Suma Chakrabarti KCB, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Justice and Phil Wheatley, Director-General, HM Prison Service

#### Thursday 24 April

Westminster

**International Development** 10:30am The Grimond

Subject: DFID and the African Development Bank Room, Portcullis Witnesses: Gillian Merron MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department House

for International Development

# Friday 25 April

None

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### **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 21 April

#### **European Union Sub-Committee B**

(a) 4.05pm (b) 4.35pm

Evidence will be heard from (a) Lord Oxburgh; and from (b) Professor Catherine Mitchell, Professor of Energy Policy, University of Exeter; and Professor Goran Strbac, Professor of Electrical Energy Systems, Imperial College London. (EU's 20% Renewable Energy Target)

#### **Tuesday 22 April**

None

#### Wednesday 23 April

#### **Communications Committee**

(a) 10.15am (b) 11.15am

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

#### **European Union Sub-Committee D**

11.00am

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

# Finance Bill Sub-Committee

4.15pm

Evidence will be heard from Malcolm Gammie QC. (Finance Bill 2008)

#### European Union Sub-Committee E

4.15pm

Evidence will be heard from witnesses tbc. (Initiation of EU Legislation)

#### **Thursday 24 April**

None

# Select Committees: Publications received since the last Bulletin

All publications are available from The Stationery Office. HC numbers refer to House of Commons papers session 2007-08 unless otherwise stated.

Cm numbers refer to papers in the Command series.

HLP numbers refer to House of Lords papers.

Select Committee Reports (Section B) are also on the parliamentary website http://www.parliament.uk

NAO & NIAO Reports are the forerunner of Public Accounts Committee inquiries.

#### (A) **Select Committee Evidence**

Date Received	Committee	Subject	Witnesses	Date Heard	Paper No and ISBN	Price £
None						

#### (B) **Select Committee Reports**

Date Received	Committee	Details of Original Report	HC Paper and ISBN	Price £
1.4	Communities and Local Government	7 <sup>th</sup> , Existing Housing and Climate Change Volume I	HC 432-I 0215 514417	12.00
3.4	Communities and Local Government	7 <sup>th</sup> , Existing Housing and Climate Change Volume II	HC 432-II 0215 514424	24.00
1.4	European Scrutiny	Scrutiny of European documents	HC 361-i 0215 514486	3.00
1.4	European Scrutiny	18 <sup>th</sup> Report of Session 2007-08	HC 16-xvi 0215 514394	12.00
3.4	European Scrutiny	19 <sup>th</sup> Report of Session 2007-08	HC 16-xvii 0215 514523	10.00
3.4	Health	Health Inequalities Volume II	HC 422-II 0215 514516	26.50
1.4	Joint Committee on Human Rights	16 <sup>th</sup> , Scrutiny of Mental Health Legislation: Follow Up	HL 86 HC 455 010 4012567	8.50
1.4	Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments	15 <sup>th</sup> Report of session 2007-08	HL 87 HC 38-xv 010 4012550	4.50

4.3	Justice	2 <sup>nd</sup> , Work of the Committee	HC 358 0215 514325	8.50
4.3	Liaison	3 <sup>rd</sup> , The work of the committees in 2007	HC 427 0215 514509	14.50
3.4	Members Estimate	2 <sup>nd</sup> , Review of Members' Allowances: Issues	HC 464 0215 514530	6.00
1.4	Transport	5 <sup>th</sup> , Ticketing and Concessionary Travel on Public Transport	HC 84	0.00
1.4	Treasury	8 <sup>th</sup> , Re-appointment of Dr Andrew Sentance to the Monetary Policy Committee	HC 454-I 0215 514455	5.00

# (C) Government Responses to Select Committee Reports

Date Received	Committee	Details of Original Report	HC Paper or Cm No of response	Price £
3.4	Defence	5 <sup>th</sup> , Ministry of Defence Annual Report and Accounts 2006-07 [HC 61]	HC 468 0215 514561	9.50
1.4	Innovation, Universities, Science & Skills	3 <sup>rd</sup> , UK Centre for Medical Research and Innovation [HC 188]	HC 459 0215 514431	3.00
1.4	Transport	2 <sup>nd</sup> , The London Underground and the Public-Private Partnership Agreements [HC 45]	HC 461 0215 514448	6.00
1.4	Public Administration	5 <sup>th</sup> , Work of the Committee in 2007 [HC 236]	HC 458 0215 514462	4.50
1.4	Welsh Affairs	2 <sup>nd</sup> , Energy in Wales- follow-up inquiry [HC 177]	HC 435 0215 514400	3.00

# (D) National Audit Office (NAO): Northern Ireland Audit Office (NIAO)

Date Received	Title	Paper No and ISBN	Price £
1.4	Northern Ireland Policing Board: Best Value Performance Plan for 2007-08	HC 444 010 2953435	7.70
3.4	HM Revenue and Customs: Tackling the hidden economy	HC 341 010 2953107	13.90

**The Stationery Office (TSO)** All papers listed in this section can be ordered from the Stationery Office. Contact details are shown on the back cover of this Bulletin

# **Select Committees: Current Inquiries**

Select Committee evidence is published as a House of Commons Paper; there is generally a delay of 4-6 weeks before the material is available. When published it is also made available on the Parliament website. All HC paper numbers shown are from the 2007-08 session unless otherwise stated. Select Committees may also publish uncorrected transcripts of Ministers' evidence on the website as soon as the transcript is available. Hard copies of Select Committee publications can be purchased from The Stationery Office, contact details are shown on the back page of this bulletin.

The website address for Select Committee publications is:

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COMMITTEE	INQUIRY	STAGE & NOTES
<b>Business</b> , Enterprise and	Spring Supplementary Estimates	Oral evidence in progress
Regulatory Reform Committee	Turkey: Trade and EU Accession	Oral evidence in progress
(formerly Trade & Industry)	Companies House	One-off oral evidence session concluded: Report in preparation
• ,	Energy Prices	Oral evidence in progress
	Recent developments in trade	Oral evidence concluded
	Creating a Higher Value-added Economy	Oral evidence in progress Next evidence session 2 April
	The UK Construction Industry	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
	Nuclear Decommissioning Authority	Report to be published 7 April
	Waking up to India: Developments in UK-India economic relations	Report to be published 21 April
	Turkey: Trade and EU Accession	Oral evidence in progress
Children, Schools and	Children and Young Persons Bill [Lords]	Report published 20 March
Families (formerly Education & Skills)	National Curriculum	Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited Deadline for submissions 17 March
	Looked-after Children	Oral evidence in progress Next evidence session 21 April
	The Work of the Department for Children, Schools and Families and the Children's Plan	Report to be published 24 April
	Testing and Assessment	Oral evidence concluded: Draft report awaited
	Diversity of School Provision: Faith Schools	Oral evidence in progress
	The Work of Ofsted	Oral evidence announced: Written evidence invited Oral evidence taken on 14 May
Communities & Local Government	Provision of Public Toilets	Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited Deadline for submissions 2 May
(Formerly ODPM)	Community Cohesion and Migration	Oral evidence in progress Next oral evidence session 22 April
	Planning Skills	Oral evidence in progress 1st Oral evidence session 28 April
	Existing Housing & Climate Change	Report published 2 April
	The Supply of Rented Housing	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
	Work of the Committee in 2007	Government Response published 3 March
	CLG Departmental Annual Report 2007	Government Response published 3 March
Culture, Media & Sport	Non Departmental Bodies	Oral evidence concluded Written evidence to be published
	Draft Cultural Property (Armed Conflicts) Bill	Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited Deadline for submissions 14 March
	Tourism	Oral evidence concluded
	Harmful Content on the Internet and in Video Games	Oral evidence in progress Next evidence session 18 March
	European Commission White Paper on Sport	Oral evidence concluded: Report in Preparation
	London 2012 Olympics and Paralympic Games	Oral evidence concluded. Report in preparation

Defence	Recruitment and Retention in the Armed Forces	Oral evidence in progress
	UK national security & resilience	Next evidence session 22 April Inquiry announced: written evidence invited
		Deadline for submissions 16 May
	Intelligence, Surveillance, Target Acquisition and Reconnaissance	Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited Deadline for submissions 18 April
	Defence Equipment	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
	UK Operations in Iraq	Report in preparation
	Defence Equipment	Report published 27 March Awaiting Government response
	UK Defence: commitments and resources	Oral evidence concluded Further written evidence invited
	MoD Annual Report and Accounts 2006-07	Government response published 3 April
Environmental Audit	Making Government operations more sustainable: A progress check	Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited Deadline for submissions 11 April
	Greener Homes for the future? An environmental analysis of the Government's house-building plans	Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited Deadline for submissions 25 April
	Post-Kyoto: The International Context for Progress on Climate Change	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
	Climate change and local, regional and devolved government	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
	Challenge of Climate change	Oral evidence in progress
	Reducing carbon emissions from UK business: The	Report published 10 March
	The Voluntary Carbon Offset Market	Government response published 17 March
	Personal Carbon Allowances	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
Environmental Audit	Environmental Labelling	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
Sub-Committee		
Environment, Food &	Draft Marine Bill	Pre-legislative scrutiny announced
Environment, Food & Rural Affairs	Draft Marine Bill  Committee on Climate Change	Pre-legislative scrutiny announced  One-off oral evidence session concluded
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Foreign Affairs	Human Rights	Inquiry announced: written evidence invited Deadline for submissions 22 April
	Global Security: Japan and Korea	Oral evidence in progress Next evidence session 2 April
	European Council	Oral evidence in progress
	Developments in the European Union	Oral evidence in progress
	Overseas Territories	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
Health	Health Inequalities	Oral evidence in progress Next evidence session 30 April: Evidence published 3 April
	Dental Services	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
	Modernising Medical Careers	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
Home Affairs	Human Trafficking	Oral evidence in progress next evidence session 29 April
	A Surveillance Society?	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
	Policing in the 21st Century	Oral evidence in progress next evidence session 22 April
	UK Immigration Issues	Evidence published 4 February
	Work of the Serious Organised Crime Agency	Oral evidence concluded Evidence published 17 March
	Domestic Violence	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
	Towards Effective Sentencing	Oral evidence in progress
	Identity Cards: data security issues	One-off evidence session concluded 26 February
Joint Committee on	Immigration and Human Rights	Oral evidence in progress
Human Rights	The human rights of adults with learning difficulties	Report published 6 March
	Data Protection and Human Rights	Report published 14 March
	British Bill of Rights	Oral evidence in progress
	The Use of Restraint in Secure training Centres	Report published 7 March
Innovation, Universities, Science & Skills	The Office of Fair Access	Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited Deadline for submissions 1 May
	Investigating the oceans	Oral evidence in progress
	After Leitch: implementing skills and training	Next evidence session 22 April Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited
	policies	Deadline for submissions 18 April
	Renewable Electricity- Generation Technologies	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
	Engineering	Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited Deadline for submissions 14 March
	The Leitch Review of Skills	Inquiry announced Re-scheduled for 28 April
	Renewable Energy Generation Technologies	Inquiry announced written evidence invited
	Science Budget Allocations	Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation
Innovation, Universities,	The Work and operation of the copyright tribunal	Report published 20 March
Science & Skills Sub- Committee on the Copyright Tribunal	Biosecurity in UK research laboratories	Oral evidence in progress Next oral evidence session 21 April
International Development	Co-ordination for Aid Effectiveness	Oral evidence in progress Next evidence session 29 April
	The World Food Programme and Global Food Security	Inquiry announced, Written evidence invited Next oral evidence session 22 April

DFID and China Inquiry announced, Written evidence invited DFID and the African Development Bank Oral evidence in progress Next evidence session 24 April DFID's Programme in Nigeria Inquiry postponed Humanitarian and Development Situation in the Oral evidence in progress Occupied Palestinian Territories Next evidence session 30 April Justice (formerly Towards Effective Sentencing Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation Constitutional Affairs) **Draft Sentencing Guidelines** Continuing Scrutiny Consultation Guideline: Theft & Burglary (nondwelling) under consideration: Written evidence The work of the Crown Prosecution Service Inquiry announced: written evidence invited Deadline for submissions 15 May Justice Reinvestment Oral evidence in progress The new Ministry of Justice Government response published February 2008 Devolution: A Decade On Oral evidence in progress Next evidence session 22 April Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation Judicial Appointments Commission Uncorrected oral evidence on website: HC 416-I & ii Oral evidence concluded Ministry of Justice: Aims and objectives Uncorrected oral evidence on website: HC 938 i Modernisation of the Regional accountability Oral evidence in progress House of Commons Debating departmental objectives and annual reports Written evidence invited Northern Ireland Affairs Varney Review of tax policy in Northern Ireland One-off evidence session concluded Evidence session held 27 February Northern Ireland Prison Service Government Response published 5 March Policing and Criminal Justice in Northern Ireland Oral evidence in progress Next evidence session 2 April Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation **Procedure** E-petitions Report to be published 6 April Securing Host Nation Sporting Success in 2012 One-off oral evidence session announced 2 April **Public Accounts** Increasing employment rates for ethnic minorities One-off oral evidence session announced 31 March Pay modernisation in the NHS – GPs Contracts Report in preparation Improving the management of resources in the One-off oral evidence session announced 19 March DEFRA family One-off oral evidence session announced 17 March Major Projects Report 2007 Community Orders One-off oral evidence session announced 23 April The delivery of the Administrative Burdens Report in preparation Reduction Programme, 2007 Leaving the Services Report in preparation Managing change in operational PFI projects Report in preparation Progress in tackling benefit fraud Report in preparation The cancellation of Bicester Accommodation Centre Report in preparation Management of Large Business Corporation Tax by Report in preparation DEFRA Single Payment Scheme: follow-up Report in preparation Report on the NHS Summarised Accounts 2006-07: Report in preparation Achieving financial balance

Report in preparation

Compensating victims of violent crime

Use of office property by government departments Report in preparation

BBC Procurement Report in preparation

Data loss at HM Revenue and Customs Report in preparation

The Budget for the London 2012 Olympic and

Paralympics Games

Implementing crisis resolution home treatment

One-off oral evidence session announced

services in England

Housing Marker Renewal: Pathfinders Report in preparation
The Pensions Regulator Report in preparation

Government on the internet: Progress in delivering

Information and Services Online

One-off oral evidence session concluded: Report in

Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation

preparation

DEFRA: The delays in administering the 2005 Single One-off oral evidence session announced

Payment System Scheme in England

Managing the Defence Estate: Quality

Upgrade of the Bangor to Belfast Railway

Department for Transport: Vehicle Excise Duty

The performance of the government as a shareholder

Passport Agency- Biometric passports

Report in preparation

Report in preparation

Report in preparation

Report in preparation

Department of Health Oral evidence in progress
National programme for IT Report in preparation
Department of Health: Improving services and Report in preparation

Patient choice at the point of GP referral Report in preparation

Public Administration Draft Constitutional Renewal Bill Oral evidence in progress

Parliamentary Commissions of Inquiry

Parliamentary Commissions of Inquiry

Oral evidence in progress
Next evidence session 3 April

Better Government Oral evidence in progress

Lobbying Oral evidence in progress

next evidence session 8 May

Third Sector Commissioning

Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation

Public Services: Putting People First

Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation

**Regulatory Reform** Getting Results: The Better Regulation Executive

and the Impact of the Regulatory Reform Agenda

Draft Legislative Reform (Health and Safety

Executive) Order 2008

Oral evidence in progress next evidence session 29 April

Draft Legislative Reform Order laid on 29 January (subsequently withdrawn) Re-laid 18 February

Report published 3 December; Awaiting Draft order

Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation

Report published 10 March

Draft Legislative Reform (Local Authority Consent Requirements) (England and Wales) Order 2007

Experience of the Scottish Elections

to be laid

Credit Unions in Scotland

credit Omons in Scotland

Employment & Skills for the Defence Industry in Scotland

Oral evidence in progress
Oral evidence in progress

Next evidence session 1 April

Business under Standing Order No 151, followed as necessary by meetings of the Select Committee on

Statutory Instruments for business under Standing Order No 151(10)

Continuing scrutiny: Report to be published Joint Committee 15th Report 2007-08 published 30

March

**Statutory Instruments** (Joint Committee)

**Scottish Affairs** 

Business under Standing Order No 151, followed as necessary by meetings of the Select Committee on

Statutory Instruments for business under Standing Order No 151(10)

Continuing scrutiny: Report to be published Joint Committee 16th Report 2007-08 to be published

7 April

Quadripartite Committee Road Safety Oral evidence in progress

Next evidence sessions 23 April / 30 April

Transport The Blue Badge (Disabled Parking) Reform Strategy Oral evidence in progress

1st oral evidence session 2 April

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School Travel Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited Deadline for submissions 21 April Pre-legislative scrutiny of the Draft Local Transport Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation Bill Transport Security: Travelling without Fear Report published 9 January Department for Transport's Annual Report 2007 Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation Oral evidence session in progress Rail white paper Delivering a sustainable railway: a 30-year strategy Oral evidence concluded for the railways? The future of BAA Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation Report published 15 March Ticketing on public transport Report published 1 April The Transport Innovation Fund Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation Freight Transport Oral evidence in progress Transport Security: Travelling without Fear Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation Budget 2008 All evidence concluded: Report in preparation The London Underground and the Public-Private Government Response published 31 March Partnership Agreements Inherited Estate Oral evidence in progress Next evidence session 22 April Financial Stability and Transparency Report published 3 March: awaiting Government response: Continuing Scrutiny One-off oral evidence session concluded Financial Reporting and the National Accounts Progress on the efficiency programme in the Inquiry announced: written evidence invited Chancellor's departments HM Revenue & Customs: administration and Oral evidence concluded expenditure in 2006-07 Budget 2008 Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation Report to be published 7 April Treasury Sub-committee The Adjudicator's Office: administration and Oral evidence concluded expenditure in 2006-07 Counting the Population Oral evidence concluded: Report in preparation Globalisation and its Impact on Wales Oral evidence concluded Provision of Cross-Border Public Services for Wales Oral evidence in progress Next evidence session 31 March Proposed Legislative Competence Order in Council: Inquiry announced: Written evidence invited

Welsh Affairs

Work & Pensions

**Treasury** 

Dealing with Vulnerable Children

Proposed Legislative Competence Order in Council:

Order in the Field of Social Care

Child Poverty

Health and Safety Commission and Executive

Report published

Deadline for submissions 24 April

Oral evidence in progress

Oral evidence in progress Oral evidence concluded:

Report in preparation

# White Papers and Green Papers received since last Bulletin

**WHITE PAPERS** are issued by the Government as statements of policy, and often set out proposals for legislative changes, which may be debated before a Bill is introduced. Some White Papers may invite comments.

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Papers to which an ISBN and price are appended are normally available through The Stationery Office. For others, application should be made to the department concerned. External links provided in this section are correct as at the time of going to press, however they are not updated after that date.

#### **White Papers**

#### **Department of Health**

Pharmacy in Pharmacy in England: building on strengths – delivering the future 3.4

England Cm 7341

ISBN: 010 1734127

#### **Green Papers**

None

#### Regulatory Impact Assessments received since the last Bulletin

DateTitleContact1.4The Employment and Support AllowanceNick Butler

Regulations 2008 Incapacity Benefit Reform Project
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#### **Other Papers**

Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland: 5<sup>th</sup> Periodical Report on Parliamentary Constituencies, Cm 7321, ISBN: 010 1732123, £33.45

House of Lords: 6<sup>th</sup>, Report of Session 2007-08, European Union (Amendment) Bill and the Lisbon Treaty: Implications for the UK Constitution, HL 84, ISBN: 010 4012543, £15.50

House of Lords: Select Committee on Economic Affairs, 1<sup>st</sup>, Report of Session 2007-08, The Economic Impact of Immigration, HL 82-II, ISBN: 010 4012512, £36.00

House of Lords Business Plan 2008, HL 80, ISBN: 010 4012499, £6.00

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EU documents recommended for debate by the European Scrutiny Committee

Progress of documents to be considered by the House is noted in the "European Union Documents" list, in the Vote Bundle, and on the parliament website at: http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmeudoc/cmeudoc.htm.

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#### **European Standing Committee A**

Fisheries: control, inspection and sanction systems (16071/07) – 31.03.2008

Reduction of Greenhouse Gas Emissions by 2020 and Review of the Emissions Trading Scheme (5849/08 and Addenda 1 and 5862/08 and Addenda 1 to 3) - 22.04.2008

### **European Standing Committee B**

The Accession Process in the Western Balkans (14993/07, 14995/07, 14996/07, 14997/07, 14999/07 and 15001/07) – 29.04.2008

Interim political agreement on co-operation between the European Union and its member states and the Republic of Serbia (15616/07 and Addenda 1 and 2, 15690/07 and Addenda 1 and 2 and Unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum) – 29.04.2008

The European Police Office (EUROPOL) (6427/08)

Financial Management (7210/08 and Addendum 1) – 12.05.2008

# **European Standing Committee C**

Carbon Capture and Storage (5835/08 and Addenda 1 and 2) -13.05.2008

# Early Day Motions tabled between 31 March – 4 April 2008

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

For information about the text and signatories see 'Notices of Motions' section of the Vote Bundle, the EDM Database at http://www.parliament.uk or contact the House of Commons Information Office (Tel: 020 7219 4272) who will advise. For Information on Early Day Motions see HCIO Factsheet P3 at:

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Date	EDM	Primary Sponsor	Title
31.03.08	1274	Mr Alistair Carmichael	BRITISH AIRWAYS AND HEATHROW TERMINAL FIVE
31.03.08	1275	Mr Austin Mitchell	EMPLOYMENT IN ETHNIC CATERING
31.03.08	1276	Mr Frank Field	CHINA AND THE OLYMPIC GAMES
31.03.08	1277	Mr Eddie McGrady	END OF LIFE CARE
31.03.08	1278	Mr Paul Burstow	ABUSE AND INAPPROPRIATE PRESCRIBING
31.03.08	1279	Mr Mike Hancock	ANIMAL TESTING OF COSMETICS
31.03.08	1280	Mr David Drew	ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE CREDIT
31.03.08	1281	Mr Tom Clarke	BETTER AT HOME CAMPAIGN
31.03.08	1282	Mr Jeremy Browne	DRINK DRIVING (No. 2)
31.03.08	1283	Bob Spink	DRUGS EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
31.03.08	1284	Mr Michael Clapham	MR GAFAR ALI HASSAN AND MRS ALI HASSAN
31.03.08	1285	Julia Goldsworthy	ACCESSING GOVERNMENT HELPLINES FROM MOBILE TELEPHONES
31.03.08	1286	Jim Dobbin	INTERNATIONAL RAIL FREIGHT FACILITIES
31.03.08	1287	Mr Roger Godsiff	MR ADAM APPLEGARTH FORMER CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF NORTHERN ROCK
31.03.08	1288	Mr Alan Meale	BADGER CULLING AND CONTROL OF BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS
31.03.08	1289	Mr Alan Meale	OLDER PEOPLE AND DEBT CAMPAIGN
31.03.08	1290	Mr Roger Godsiff	FIRST DAY OF OPERATION AT HEATHROW TERMINAL 5
01.04.08	1291	Graham Stringer	MANCHESTER VELODROME
01.04.08	1292	Willie Rennie	SIR HENRY CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN
01.04.08	1293	Dr Liam Fox	100 <sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE TERRITORIAL ARMY (No 2)
01.04.08	1294	Mr Edward Garnier	SENTENCING
01.04.08	1295	John McDonnell	CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM MORALE
01.04.08	1296	Janet Anderson	INSTRUMENTS ON PLANES
01.04.08	1297	Janet Anderson	NEW WRITING
01.04.08	1298	Keith Vaz	SALE OF JAGUAR TO TATA
01.04.08	1299	Mr Gregory Campbell	$40^{\rm th}$ ANNIVERSARY OF CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN NORTHERN IRELAND
01.04.08	1300	Mr Alan Meale	GURKHAS RIGHT TO REMAIN
01.04.08	1301	Mr Jim Hood	CANADIAN SEAL HUNT
01.04.08	1302	Bob Russell	CENTENARY OF THE TERRITORIAL ARMY
01.04.08	1303	Harry Cohen	GLOBAL COAL MANAGEMENT MINE IN BANGLADESH
01.04.08	1304	Mr David Drew	PUBLIC OPINION ON A CHILD'S NEED FOR A FATHER
01.04.08	1305	David Taylor	PUBLIC ATTITUDES TO ANIMAL-HUMAN HYBRIDS

02.04.08	1306	Mr Lindsay Hoyle	FREE TELEVISION LICENCES FOR PENSIONERS
02.04.08	1307	Mr Lindsay Hoyle	90 <sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE ROYAL AIR FORCE
02.04.08	1308	Mr Greg Pope	ABOLITION OF THE TEN PENCE TAX RATE (Withdrawn)
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02.04.08	1309	Mr Don Foster	ETHICAL TRADING AND THE 012 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES
02.04.08	1310	Nick Herbert	SUPPORTING VICTIMS OF RAPE
02.04.08	1311	Mr Don Foster	TARGETED ADVERTISING TECHNOLOGY
02.04.08	1312	Mr David Cameron	HOUSING – (1) HOME INFORMATION PACK (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2008 (S.I., 2008, No. 572)
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02.04.08	1315	John Battle	250 <sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF MIDDLETON RAILWAY
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02.04.08	1317	Mr Peter Kilfoyle	PARLIAMENTARY PRESS GALLERY
02.04.08	1318	Philip Davies	ARTS COUNCIL QUESTIONS ON SEXUAL ORIENTATION
02.04.08	1319	Jo Swinson	VIEWING PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS ONLINE
02.04.08	1320	Clive Efford	BNP CANDIDATE NICK ERIKSEN'S VIEWS ON RAPE
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02.04.08	1323	Dr John Pugh	POST OFFICE CLOSURES AND CONSULTATION
02.04.08	1324	Dr Hywel Francis	CARERS AND GOVERNMENT DEECISION ON 2011 CENSUS
02.04.08	1325	Mrs Sharon Hodgson	FULL FREE SCHOOL MEALS CAMPAIGN
03.04.08	1326	Hilary Armstrong	MAKE CHATTER MATTER CAMPAIGN
03.04.08	1327	Greg Mulholland	HIGHER EDUCATION POLICY INSTITUTE TUITION FEES REPORT
03.04.08	1328	Tim Farron	PUBCOS AND THE SUPPLY TIE
03.04.08	1329	John McDonnell	PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO GOVERNMENT'S HEATHROW CONSULTATION
03.04.08	1330	Greg Mulholland	DUTY ON BEER AND PUB CLOSURES
03.04.08	1331	Mr John Grogan	RIVER ACCESS FOR NON-POWERED CRAFT
03.04.08	1332	Daniel Kawczynski	HM REVENUE AND CUSTOMS OFFICE CLOSURES
03.04.08	1333	Mr Nick Clegg	NATIONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES (S.I., 2008, No.593)
03.04.08	1334	Mr Mark Oaten	SPECIALIST TRAUMA RESPONSE TEAMS
03.04.08	1335	Tim Farron	LABELLING OF MEAT
03.04.08	1336	Andrew Stunell	ADDITIONAL CHARGES FOR NON-DIRECT DEBIT PAYMENTS
03.04.08	1337	Greg Mulholland	TERRY PRATCHETT AND ALZHEIMER'S RESEARCH FUNDING
03.04.08	1338	Mark Williams	WITHDRAWAL OF ARTS COUNCIL WALES FUNDING
03.04.08	1339	Peter Bottomley	THE SPEAKER'S HOUSE

# State of the Parties in the House of Commons as at 4 April 2008

Labour	352	Social Democratic & Labour Party (Messrs Durkan, McDonnell, McGrady)	3
Conservative*	193	Independent Labour Clare Short	1
Liberal Democrat	63	Independent Conservative Andrew Pelling Derek Conway	2
Scottish National Party / Plaid Cymru (SNP - Messrs Robertson, Salmond, Weir, Wishart, MacNeil & Hosie / PC - Messrs Llwyd, Price, H Williams)	9	Independent Dr Richard Taylor Dai Davies Robert Wareing	3
<b>Democratic Unionist Party</b> (Messrs Campbell, Dodds, Donaldson, McCrea, Paisley, P Robinson, Ms Iris Robinson, Simpson, Wilson)	9	Respect George Galloway	1
Ulster Unionist (Lady Hermon)	1	The Speaker and 3 Deputies (Sir Alan Haselhurst, CWM; Mrs Sylvia Heal, 1st DCWM; Sir Michael Lord, 2nd DCWM)	4 (Do not normally vote)
Sinn Fein (Messrs Adams, Doherty, McGuinness, Murphy & Ms Gildernew)	5 (Have not taken their seats and cannot vote)	Vacant seats	0
* Including one Member who no longer holds the	cumot vote)	Total number of seats	646
party whip		Current working Government Majority (352 Labour MPs less 285 of all other parties – excludes Speaker & Deputies and Sinn Fein)	67

The total number of women MPs is 126 (Lab 95; Con 17; LD 9; DU 1; SF 1; UU 1; DCWM 1; Ind Lab 1) CWM: Chairman of Ways and Means 1st DCWM: 1st Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means 2nd DCWM: 2nd Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means

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Vacancy	Cause	By - Election	New Member	Date of introduction	Maiden Speech
Cheadle	Death of Patsy Calton (LD) (29.5.2005)	14.7.2005	Mark Hunter (LD)	19.7.2005	21.7.2005
Livingston	Death of Robin Cook (Lab) (6.8.2005)	29.9.2005	Jim Devine (Lab)	10.10.2005	25.10.2005
Dunfermline and West Fife	Death of Rachel Squire (Lab) (5.1.2006)	9.2.2006	Willie Rennie (LD)	13.2.2006	1.3.2006
Blaenau Gwent	Death of Peter Law (Ind) (25.4.2006)	29.6.2006	Dai Davies (Ind)	4.7.2006	20.7.2006
Bromley & Chislehurst	Death of Eric Forth (Con) (18.5.2006)	29.6.2006	Bob Neill (Con)	3.7.2006	19.7.2006
Sedgefield	Resignation of the Rt Hon Tony Blair (Lab) (27.6.2007)	19.7.2007	Phil Wilson (Lab)	23.7.2007	8.10.2007
Ealing Southall	Death of Piara Khabra (Lab) (19.6.2007)	19.7.2007	Virendra Kumar Sharma (Lab)	23.7.2007	8.10.2007

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