

TUESDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2026

NO.246

Order Paper: Business Today & Future Business

Summary Agenda: Chamber

11.30am	Prayers
Afterwards	Oral Questions: Health and Social Care
12.30pm	Urgent Questions, Ministerial Statements (if any)
No debate	Presentation of Bills
Up to 20 minutes	Ten Minute Rule Motion: Food labelling (halal and kosher meat) (Esther McVey)
Until 7.00pm	Opposition Day (18th Allotted Day) Andrew Mountbatten-Windsor Protections for children from online harms
Up to 90 minutes	Charter for Budget Responsibility (Motion)
No debate	Presentation of Public Petitions
Until 7.30pm or for half an hour	Adjournment Debate: Potential implications of the judgment in the case of Advocate General for Scotland v Mr Charles Milroy (Gavin Robinson)

Westminster Hall

9.30am	Government support for the healthcare system in Gaza
11.00am	Foster care recruitment and retention (The sitting will be suspended from 11.30am to 2.30pm)
2.30pm	Impact of planning developments on local transport
4.00pm	Banking hubs in rural and post-industrial communities
4.30pm	Impact of the 2016 EU membership referendum on the UK

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Notes:

Item marked [R] indicates that a Member has declared a relevant interest.

BUSINESS TODAY: CHAMBER**11.30am Prayers****Followed by****QUESTIONS****Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care**

- 1 Torcuil Crichton** (Na h-Eileanan an Iar)
What steps he has taken to increase health and social care coverage in rural communities. (907924)
- 2 Grahame Morris** (Easington)
What steps his Department is taking to tackle inequalities in access to radiotherapy treatment services for cancer patients. (907925)
- 3 Lauren Edwards** (Rochester and Strood)
What steps his Department is taking to improve GP training on women's health. (907926)
- 4 Douglas McAllister** (West Dunbartonshire)
What steps his Department is taking to support the diagnosis of cancer patients. (907927)
- 5 Dame Meg Hillier** (Hackney South and Shoreditch)
What steps he is taking to improve access to mental health services. (907928)
- 6 Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth)
What steps he is taking to improve the diagnosis of menopause for women in London. (907929)
- 7 Callum Anderson** (Buckingham and Bletchley)
What assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of access to NHS dental services. (907930)
- 8 Sureena Brackenridge** (Wolverhampton North East)
What steps his Department is taking to improve ambulance response times. (907931)
- 9 Lizzi Collinge** (Morecambe and Lunesdale)
What assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of access to NHS dental services in Morecambe and Lunesdale constituency. (907932)
- 10 Naz Shah** (Bradford West)
What steps his Department is taking to help prevent ill health. (907934)
- 11 Calum Miller** (Bicester and Woodstock)
What assessment he has made of the adequacy of health-related funding for specialist sexual violence support services. (907935)

- 12 Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West)
What assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of recent trends in national well-being indicators. (907936)
- 13 Dr Al Pinkerton** (Surrey Heath)
What discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport on the role of sport in health outcomes for young people with Down's syndrome. (907937)
- 14 Dr Marie Tidball** (Penistone and Stocksbridge)
What steps his Department has taken to improve maternity care for disabled women. (907938)
- 15 Alison Griffiths** (Bognor Regis and Littlehampton)
What steps he is taking to increase access to care in the community. (907939)
- 16 Ian Byrne** (Liverpool West Derby)
What assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of private finance initiatives on the NHS. (907940)
- 17 Samantha Niblett** (South Derbyshire)
How much his Department has spent on Microsoft software licenses in the last 12 months. (907941)
- 18 Victoria Collins** (Harpenden and Berkhamsted)
What recent steps he has taken to increase access to GP appointments. (907942)
- 19 Peter Lamb** (Crawley)
What discussions his Department has had with Sussex Community NHS Foundation Trust on the potential impact of the reduction in Crawley Hospital Urgent Treatment Centre's opening hours on patients. (907943)
- 20 Paul Waugh** (Rochdale)
What steps his Department is taking to improve maternity care. (907944)
- 21 Lisa Smart** (Hazel Grove)
What assessment he has made of the adequacy of the dental recruitment incentive scheme. (907945)
- 22 Lola McEvoy** (Darlington)
What steps his Department is taking to support the treatment of cancer patients. (907946)
- 23 Natalie Fleet** (Bolsover)
What assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of access to NHS dental services. (907947)

At 12.15pm

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care

- T1 Harriet Cross** (Gordon and Buchan)
If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (907959)
- T2 Tessa Munt** (Wells and Mendip Hills) (907960)

- T3 Alex Ballinger** (Halesowen) (907961)
T4 Euan Stainbank (Falkirk) (907962)
T5 Sarah Edwards (Tamworth) (907963)
T6 Noah Law (St Austell and Newquay) (907964)
T7 Ms Julie Minns (Carlisle) (907965)
T8 Martin Vickers (Brigg and Immingham) (907966)
T9 Peter Swallow (Bracknell) (907967)
T10 Luke Taylor (Sutton and Cheam) (907968)

URGENT QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

12.30pm

Urgent Questions (if any)

Ministerial Statements (if any)

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

No debate ([Standing Order No. 57](#))

Online Services (Age Restrictions)

Munira Wilson

Bill to make provision to restrict access to online services, including social media, by children in certain circumstances; and for connected purposes.

BUSINESS OF THE DAY

1. Ten Minute Rule Motion: Food labelling (halal and kosher meat)

Up to 20 minutes ([Standing Order No. 23](#))

Esther McVey

That leave be given to bring in a Bill to introduce compulsory labelling of halal and kosher meat and products containing halal and kosher meat; and for connected purposes.

Notes:

The Member moving and a Member opposing this Motion may each speak for up to 10 minutes.

2. Opposition Day (18th Allotted Day)

Until 7.00pm ([Standing Order No. 9\(3\)](#))

■ Andrew Mountbatten-Windsor

Lisa Smart

Ed Davey

Wendy Chamberlain

That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that he will be graciously pleased to give directions to require the Government to lay before this House all papers relating to the creation of the role of Special Representative for Trade and Investment and Andrew Mountbatten-Windsor's appointment to that role, including but not confined to any documents held by UK Trade and Investment, British Trade International (BTI) and its successors, the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, the Cabinet Office and the Prime Minister's Office containing or relating to advice from, or provided to, the Group Chief Executive of BTI, Peter Mandelson, the Cabinet Office and the Prime Minister regarding the suitability of Andrew Mountbatten-Windsor for the appointment, due diligence and vetting conducted in relation to the appointment, and minutes of meetings and electronic communications regarding the due diligence and vetting.

■ Protections for children from online harms

Munira Wilson

Victoria Collins

Ed Davey

Wendy Chamberlain

That this House makes provision as set out in this Order:

(1) On Monday 9 March 2026:

(a) [Standing Order No. 14\(1\)](#) (which provides that government business shall have precedence at every sitting save as provided in that Order) shall not apply;

(b) any proceedings governed by this Order may be proceeded with until any hour, though opposed, and shall not be interrupted;

(c) the Speaker may not propose the Question on the previous question, and may not put any question under [Standing Order No. 36](#) (Closure of debate) or [Standing Order No. 163](#) (Motion to sit in private);

(d) at 6.00pm, the Speaker shall interrupt any business prior to the business governed by this Order and call the leader of the second largest opposition party or another Member on their behalf to move the order of the day that the Online Services (Age Restrictions) Bill be now read a second time;

(e) in respect of that Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time;

- (f) any proceedings interrupted or superseded by this Order may be resumed or (as the case may be) entered upon and proceeded with after the moment of interruption.
- (2) The provisions of paragraphs (3) to (19) of this Order shall apply to and in connection with the proceedings on the Online Services (Age Restrictions) Bill in the present Session of Parliament.

Timetable for the Bill on Monday 9 March 2026

- (3) (a) Proceedings on Second Reading and in Committee of the whole House, any proceedings on Consideration and proceedings up to and including Third Reading shall be taken at the sitting on Monday 9 March 2026 in accordance with this Order.
- (b) Proceedings on Second Reading shall be brought to a conclusion (so far as not previously concluded) at 8.00pm.
- (c) Proceedings in Committee of the whole House, any proceedings on Consideration and proceedings up to and including Third Reading shall be brought to a conclusion (so far as not previously concluded) at 10.00pm.

Timing of proceedings and Questions to be put on Monday 9 March 2026

- (4) When the Bill has been read a second time:
- (a) it shall, notwithstanding [Standing Order No. 63](#) (Committal of bills not subject to a programme Order), stand committed to a Committee of the whole House without any Question being put;
- (b) the Speaker shall leave the Chair whether or not notice of an Instruction has been given.
- (5) (a) On the conclusion of proceedings in Committee of the whole House, the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question.
- (b) If the Bill is reported with amendments, the House shall proceed to consider the Bill as amended without any Question being put.
- (6) For the purpose of bringing any proceedings to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph (3), the Chairman or Speaker shall forthwith put the following Questions in the same order as they would fall to be put if this Order did not apply—
- (a) any Question already proposed from the Chair;
- (b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed;
- (c) the Question on any amendment, new clause or new schedule selected by The Chairman or Speaker for separate decision;
- (d) the Question on any amendment moved or Motion made by a designated Member;
- (e) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded; and shall not put any other Questions, other than the Question on any motion described in paragraph (15) of this Order.
- (7) On a Motion made for a new Clause or a new Schedule, the Chairman or Speaker shall put only the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill.

Consideration of Lords Amendments and Messages on a subsequent day

- (8) If on any future sitting day any Message on the Bill (other than a Message that the House of Lords agrees with the Bill without amendment or agrees with any Message from this House) is expected from the House of Lords, this House shall not adjourn until that Message has been received and any proceedings under paragraph (9) have been concluded.
- (9) On any day on which such a Message is received, if a designated Member indicates to the Speaker an intention to proceed to consider that Message—
- (a) notwithstanding [Standing Order No. 14\(1\)](#) any Lords Amendments to the Bill or any further Message from the Lords on the Bill may be considered forthwith without any Question being put; and any proceedings interrupted for that purpose shall be suspended accordingly;
 - (b) proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments or on any further Message from the Lords shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour after their commencement; and any proceedings suspended under subparagraph (a) shall thereupon be resumed;
 - (c) the Speaker may not propose the Question on the previous question, and may not put any question under [Standing Order No. 36](#) (Closure of debate) or [Standing Order No. 163](#) (Motion to sit in private) in the course of those proceedings.
- (10) Paragraphs (2) to (7) of [Standing Order No. 83F](#) (Programme Orders: conclusion of proceedings on consideration of Lords amendments) apply for the purposes of bringing any proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments to a conclusion as if:
- (a) any reference to a Minister of the Crown were a reference to a designated Member;
 - (b) after paragraph (4)(a) there is inserted—
 - “(aa) the question on any amendment or motion selected by the Speaker for separate decision;”.
- (11) Paragraphs (2) to (5) of [Standing Order No. 83G](#) (Programme Orders: conclusion of proceedings on further messages from the Lords) apply for the purposes of bringing any proceedings on consideration of a Lords Message to a conclusion as if any reference to a Minister of the Crown were a reference to a designated Member.

Reasons Committee

- (12) Paragraphs (2) to (6) of [Standing Order No. 83H](#) (Programme Orders: reasons committee) apply in relation to any committee to be appointed to draw up reasons after proceedings have been brought to a conclusion in accordance with this Order as if any reference to a Minister of the Crown were a reference to a designated Member.

Miscellaneous

- (13) [Standing Order No. 82](#) (Business Committee) shall not apply in relation to any proceedings on the Bill to which this Order applies.

- (14) (a) No Motion shall be made, except by a designated Member, to alter the order in which any proceedings on the Bill are taken, to recommit the Bill or to vary or supplement the provisions of this Order.
- (b) No notice shall be required of such a Motion.
- (c) Such a Motion may be considered forthwith without any Question being put; and any proceedings interrupted for that purpose shall be suspended accordingly.
- (d) The Question on such a Motion shall be put forthwith; and any proceedings suspended under sub-paragraph (c) shall thereupon be resumed.
- (e) [Standing Order No. 15\(1\)](#) (Exempted business) shall apply to proceedings on such a Motion.
- (15) (a) No dilatory Motion shall be made in relation to proceedings on the Bill to which this Order applies except by a designated Member.
- (b) The Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.
- (16) Proceedings to which this Order applies shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.
- (17) No private business may be considered at any sitting to which the provisions of this Order apply.
- (18) (a) The start of any debate under [Standing Order No. 24](#) (Emergency debates) to be held on a day on which proceedings to which this Order applies are to take place shall be postponed until the conclusion of any proceedings to which this Order applies.
- (b) Standing Order 15(1) (Exempted business) shall apply in respect of any such debate.
- (19) In this Order, “a designated Member” means—
- (a) the leader of the second largest opposition party; and
- (b) any other Member acting on behalf of the leader of the second largest opposition party.

Notes:

The selection of the matters to be debated has been made by the Leader of the Liberal Democrats ([Standing Order No. 14\(2\)](#)).

BUSINESS TO BE TAKEN AT 7.00PM**Deferred Divisions**

No debate ([Standing Order No. 41A\(3\)](#))

The Prime Minister

That, at this day's sitting, [Standing Order No. 41A](#) (Deferred divisions) shall not apply to the Motion in the name of the Chancellor of the Exchequer relating to Charter for Budget Responsibility.

BUSINESS OF THE DAY**3. Charter for Budget Responsibility**

Up to 90 minutes ([Standing Order No. 16\(1\)](#))

The Chancellor of the Exchequer

That the [Charter for Budget Responsibility: Autumn 2025](#), which was laid before this House on 23 February, be approved.

PRESENTATION OF PUBLIC PETITIONS

No debate or decision ([Standing Order No. 153](#))

College Fields in Madeley: **Adam Jogee**

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

Until 7.30pm or for half an hour (whichever is later) ([Standing Order No. 9\(7\)](#))

Potential implications of the judgment in the case of Advocate General for Scotland v Mr Charles Milroy: **Gavin Robinson**

BUSINESS TODAY: WESTMINSTER HALL**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Up to two hours for the first part of the sitting and up to three hours for the second part
([Standing Order No. 10\(1\)](#))

9.30am

That this House has considered Government support for the healthcare system in Gaza: **Dr Simon Opher**

Notes:

The subject for this debate was determined by the Backbench Business Committee.

11.00am

That this House has considered foster care recruitment and retention: **Rebecca Smith**

Notes:

The sitting will be suspended from 11.30am to 2.30pm.

2.30pm

That this House has considered the impact of planning developments on local transport: **Victoria Collins**

4.00pm

That this House has considered banking hubs in rural and post-industrial communities: **Ann Davies**

4.30pm

That this House has considered the impact of the 2016 EU membership referendum on the UK: **Stephen Gethins**

Notes:

The debate at 4.30pm will last for up to an hour.

The sitting will be suspended and time added if divisions take place in the main Chamber ([Standing Order No. 10\(3\)](#)).

WRITTEN STATEMENTS**STATEMENTS TO BE MADE TODAY****Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport**

1. Update on the Telegraph sale
2. Updates to the regulation of TV and video-on-demand services

Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero

3. Direction to the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority in respect of the Hunterston B Nuclear Site

Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

4. Update on Sustainable Farming at the National Farmers' Union 2026 Conference

Secretary of State for Health and Social Care

5. GP contract 2026/27

Secretary of State for the Home Department

6. Call for Evidence – Identification of Victims of Modern Slavery (Summary of Responses Report)
7. Further extension of the Ukraine Permission Extension Scheme
8. Unexplained Wealth Orders Annual Report 2024-2025

Secretary of State for Justice

9. Court Modernisation
10. Sitting day allocations for Courts and Tribunals

Notes:

Texts of Written Statements are available from the Vote Office and on the internet at <https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/>.

COMMITTEES MEETING TODAY

Broadcasts of proceedings can be found at <https://www.parliamentlive.tv/Commons>

SELECT COMMITTEES

Education Committee

Subject: Historical Forced Adoption

The Grimond Room, Portcullis House

9.30am (private), 10.00am (public)

Witnesses:

10.00am	Professor Gordon Harold (Professor of the Psychology of Education and Mental Health at University of Cambridge)
	Dr Michael Lambert (Lecturer in Medical Humanities at Lancaster University)
	Dr Janet Greenlees (Reader in Health History at Glasgow Caledonian University)
	Dr James Gallen (Associate Professor, School of Law and Government at Dublin City University)
11.00am	Emma Crowther-Duncan (National Development Lead at PAC-UK)
	Brenda Farrell (UK Director for Fostering, Adoption & Children In Care at Barnardo's)
	Colonel Peter Forrest (Chief Secretary at The Salvation Army UK and Ireland)
	Emily Frith (CEO at Adoption UK)

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

Institute for Government, London

9.30am (private)

Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

Subject: Propriety, ethics and the wider standards landscape in the UK

The Thatcher Room, Portcullis House

9.30am (private), 10.00am (public)

Witnesses:

- 10.00am **John Pullinger CB** (Chair of the Electoral Commission)
 Ed Humpherson CB (Head of Office for Statistics Regulation)
- 11.00am **Daniel Greenberg CB** (Parliamentary Commissioner for Standards)
 Paula Sussex CBE (Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman)

Administration Committee

Subject: Health and Wellbeing

Room 16

10.00am (private), 10.10am (public)

Witnesses:

- 10.10am **Josie Lazenby** (Head of Parliamentary Health and Wellbeing at House of Commons Administration)
 Tanya Harris (Health and Wellbeing Manager at House of Commons Administration)
 Josephine Willows (Director of Members Staff Engagement at House of Commons Administration)
 Dr Ashley Weinberg (Lecturer and Chartered Occupational Psychologist at University of Salford)

Defence Committee

The Wilson Room, Portcullis House

10.00am (private)

Foreign Affairs Committee

Room 6

10.00am (private)

Modernisation Committee

Room 5

11.30am (private)

Petitions Committee

Room 13

1.00pm (private)

International Development Committee

Subject: The situation in Sudan

The Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House

1.30pm (private), 2.00pm (public), 4.00pm (private)

Witnesses:

2.00pm **Dave Philips** (Deputy Director of International Projects at Samaritan's Purse)

2.45pm **Kholood Khair** (Founder at Confluence Advisory)

Rosalind Marsden (Former Diplomat)

Alex de Waal (Executive Director at World Peace Foundation)

Business and Trade Committee

Subject: Appointment of Douglas Gurr as Chair of the Competition and Markets Authority

The Wilson Room, Portcullis House

1.45pm (private), 2.30pm (public), 4.30pm (private)

Witnesses:

2.30pm **Douglas Gurr** (Government's preferred candidate for Chair of the Competition and Markets Authority, Interim Chair at Competition and Markets Authority)

Home Affairs Committee

Room 5

2.00pm (private)

Justice Committee

Subject: Access to Justice

The Thatcher Room, Portcullis House

2.00pm (private), 2.30pm (public)

Witnesses:

- 2.30pm **Tom Hayhoe** (Chair at Legal Services Consumer Panel)
Dr Liz Curran (Associate Professor at Nottingham Law School, Nottingham Trent University)
- 3.30pm **Dr John Sorabji** (Associate Professor of Law at University College London)

Select Committee on the Armed Forces Bill

Subject: Armed Forces Bill 2026

Room 8

2.00pm (private), 2.15pm (public)

Witnesses:

- 2.15pm **Ted Arnold** (Senior Public Affairs and Policy Manager at Help for Heroes)
Mark Atkinson (Director General at Royal British Legion)
Lieutenant General Sir Nick Pope KCB CBE (Chair at Confederation of British Serving and Ex Service Organisations)
- 2.55pm **Andrea Devlin** (Director at RAF Families Federation)
Collette Musgrave (Chief Executive at Army Families Federation)
Rebecca Lovell (Head of Policy and Deputy CEO at Naval Families Federation)
- 3.35pm **Mr Andy Cole** (Chief Executive at Royal Star & Garter)
Caroline Cooke (Head of Policy at Forces in Mind Trust)
Chloe Mackay (Chief Executive Officer at Combat Stress)
- 4.15pm **Lieutenant Commandar (Retired) Susie Hamilton** (Scottish Veterans Commissioner)
David Johnstone (Northern Ireland Veterans Commissioner)
Colonel James Phillips (Veterans Commissioner for Wales)

Treasury Committee

Subject: Bank of England Monetary Policy Reports

The Grimond Room, Portcullis House

2.00pm (private), 2.15pm (public)

Witnesses:

2.15pm **Andrew Bailey** (Governor at Bank of England)
 Megan Greene (External member at Monetary Policy Committee)
 Professor Alan Taylor (External member at Monetary Policy Committee)
 Huw Pill (Chief Economist at Bank of England)

Finance Committee

Room 6
3.00pm (private)

Backbench Business Committee

Subject: Proposals for backbench debates

Room 16
4.00pm (private), 4.15pm (public)

Witnesses:

4.15pm **Members of Parliament**

Transport Committee

The Macmillan Room, Portcullis House
4.00pm (private)

PUBLIC BILL COMMITTEES**Cyber Security and Resilience (Network and Information Systems) Bill**

Further to consider the Bill

Room 9
9.25am (public)

Cyber Security and Resilience (Network and Information Systems) Bill

Further to consider the Bill

Room 9
2.00pm (public)

DELEGATED LEGISLATION COMMITTEES

Second Delegated Legislation Committee

To consider the draft Merchant Shipping (General Lighthouse Authorities) (Increase of Borrowing Limit) Order 2026

Room 11
9.25am (public)

Third Delegated Legislation Committee

To consider the draft Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) Order 2026

Room 12
2.30pm (public)

OTHER

Restoration and Renewal Programme Board

Room 4
1.00pm (private)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FORTHCOMING END OF DAY ADJOURNMENT DEBATES

Applications for 30-minute end of day adjournment debates should be made to the Table Office by 7.00pm or rise of the House, whichever is the earlier, on the Wednesdays listed below. Members can submit their application via MemberHub. The ballot takes place the day after the deadline. Members who are successful will be contacted by the Speaker's Office.

Tuesday 3 to Monday 9 March (deadline Wednesday 25 February 7.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

Tuesday 10 to Monday 16 March (deadline Wednesday 4 March 7.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

Tuesday 17 to Monday 23 March (deadline Wednesday 11 March 7.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

FORTHCOMING WESTMINSTER HALL DEBATES

The rota for answering Departments is listed below. Applications for 90, 60 and 30-minute debates should be made to the Table Office by 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is the earlier, on the Mondays listed below. Members can submit their application via MemberHub. The ballot takes place the day after the deadline. Members who are successful will be contacted by the Speaker's Office.

Tuesday 3 and Wednesday 4 March (ballot closed)

The ballot for Tuesday 3 and Wednesday 4 March is closed and will take place today.

Tuesday 10 and Wednesday 11 March (deadline Monday 2 March 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

The following Departments will answer:

Attorney General; Cabinet Office; Culture, Media and Sport; Defence; Education; Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; Health and Social Care; Housing, Communities and Local Government; Justice; Science, Innovation and Technology; Scotland

Tuesday 17 and Wednesday 18 March (deadline Monday 9 March 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

The following Departments will answer:

Business and Trade; Energy Security and Net Zero; Foreign, Commonwealth and Development; Home Office; Northern Ireland; Transport; Treasury; Women and Equalities; Work and Pensions; Wales

Tuesday 24 and Wednesday 25 March (deadline Monday 16 March 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

The following Departments will answer:

Attorney General; Cabinet Office; Culture, Media and Sport; Defence; Education; Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; Health and Social Care; Housing, Communities and Local Government; Justice; Science, Innovation and Technology; Scotland

Tuesday 14 and Wednesday 15 April (deadline Monday 23 March 10.00pm or the rise of the House, whichever is earlier)

The following Departments will answer:

Business and Trade; Energy Security and Net Zero; Foreign, Commonwealth and Development; Home Office; Northern Ireland; Transport; Treasury; Women and Equalities; Work and Pensions; Wales

FURTHER INFORMATION

MPs' GUIDE TO PROCEDURE

The [MPs' Guide to Procedure](#) is available on the Parliamentary website and also in hard copy from the Vote Office

BUSINESS OF THE DAY

Documents and reports relating to the business being held in the Chamber are available on the Commons Business Briefings webpage: www.parliament.uk/business/publications/research/commons-business-briefings/

WRITTEN STATEMENTS

Text of today's Written Statements: <https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/>

SELECT COMMITTEES

Select Committees Webpage: <https://committees.parliament.uk/>

STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PUBLIC BUSINESS

Text of Standing Orders relating to public business: https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm5901/cmstords/so_829_05072024/so-2024i.pdf

CHAMBER ENGAGEMENT

Information about engaging the public with debates is available on the parliamentary website: <https://www.parliament.uk/get-involved/have-your-say-on-laws/chamber-engagement/>.

All Commons Business papers are now available in the new HousePapers Progressive Web Apps at <https://commonsbusiness.parliament.uk> and Lords Business papers at <https://lordsbusiness.parliament.uk>

Order Paper: Future Business

A. Calendar of Business

Business in either Chamber may be changed, and further business added, up to the rising of the House on the day before it is to be taken, and is therefore provisional.

Government items of business in this section have nominally been set down for today, but are expected to be taken on the dates stated.

B. Remaining Orders and Notices

Business in this section has not yet been scheduled for a specific date. It has been nominally set down for today but is not expected to be taken today.

A. CALENDAR OF BUSINESS**WEDNESDAY 25 FEBRUARY****Chamber****Questions**

11.30am [Questions to the Secretary of State for Scotland](#)

12 noon [Questions to the Prime Minister](#)

Ten Minute Rule Motion: Chalk streams (UNESCO Natural World Heritage Site)**Pippa Heylings**

That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require the Secretary of State to take the necessary steps to nominate the UK's chalk streams as a serial UNESCO Natural World Heritage Site.

Notes:

The Member moving and a Member opposing this Motion may each speak for up to 10 minutes.

General Debate on Ukraine**Relevant Documents:**

Oral evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 9 February, on The situation in Ukraine, [HC 1694](#)

Oral evidence from the joint meeting of the Foreign Affairs Committee and the Ukrainian Committee on Foreign Policy and Inter-Parliamentary Cooperation on 25 November and 20 May 2025, [HC 916](#)

Adjournment Debate

Bayeux Tapestry exhibition: **Helena Dollimore**

Westminster Hall

9.30am That this House has considered student loan repayment plans: **Jas Athwal**

11.00am That this House has considered the matter of defeat devices in diesel vehicles: **Dr Rupa Huq**

Notes:

The sitting will be suspended from 11.30am to 2.30pm.

2.30pm That this House has considered the potential merits of appointing a Minister for Men and Boys: **Dr Luke Evans**

4.00pm That this House has considered the potential merits of a levy on energy developers:
Jenny Riddell-Carpenter

4.30pm That this House has considered UK-German relations: **Sir Mark Hendrick**

Notes:

The debate at 4.30pm will last for up to an hour.

The sitting will be suspended and time added if divisions take place in the main Chamber ([Standing Order No. 10\(3\)](#)).

THURSDAY 26 FEBRUARY

Chamber

Questions

9.30am [Questions to the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport](#)

10.00am [Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport](#)

10.10am [Questions to the Church Commissioners, House of Commons Commission and the Restoration and Renewal Client Board](#)

Backbench Business

St David's Day and Welsh affairs

Ruth Jones

Simon Hoare

Ben Lake

That this House has considered St David's Day and Welsh affairs.

Government support for bereaved children

Christine Jardine [R]

That this House has considered Government support for bereaved children.

Notes:

The subjects for these debates were determined by the Backbench Business Committee.

Adjournment Debate

AEA Technology pension scheme: **Olly Glover [R]**

Westminster Hall

1.30pm That this House has considered Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2026: **Wera Hobhouse [R]**

3.00pm That this House has considered the impact of VAT on independent faith schools: **Jim Shannon**

Notes:

The subjects for these debates were determined by the Backbench Business Committee.

The sitting will be suspended and time added if divisions take place in the main Chamber ([Standing Order No. 10\(3\)](#)).

MONDAY 2 MARCH

Chamber

Questions

2.30pm Questions to the Secretary of State for Education

3.15pm Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Education

Representation of the People Bill: Second Reading**Representation of the People Bill: Money****Dan Tomlinson**

That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Representation of the People Bill, it is expedient to authorise:

- (1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable under or by virtue of any other Act out of money so provided,
- (2) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of that Fund, and
- (3) the payment of sums into the Consolidated Fund.

Notes:

King's Recommendation signified.

Adjournment Debate

Safeguarding in small religious organisations: **Sam Carling**

Westminster Hall

4.30pm That this House has considered [e-petition 734311](#) relating to the public being given a right to a vote of no confidence: **John Lamont, on behalf of the Petitions Committee**

6.00pm That this House has considered [e-petition 747234](#) relating to the Secretary of State's power to cancel local elections: **Jamie Stone, on behalf of the Petitions Committee**

Notes:

The subjects for these debates were determined by the Petitions Committee. The sitting will last for up to three hours.

The sitting will be suspended and time added if divisions take place in the main Chamber ([Standing Order No. 10\(3\)](#)).

TUESDAY 3 MARCH

Chamber

Questions

11.30am Questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs

12.15pm Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs

Urgent Questions and Statements

Ministerial Statements, including Spring forecast statement (The Chancellor of the Exchequer)

Ten Minute Rule Motion: Geotechnical data**Mike Reader**

That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision about the collection of, setting of standards relating to, and secure sharing of geotechnical data derived from ground and site investigations; to require the integration of such data into the National Underground Asset Register; to confer duties on statutory undertakers and public authorities in connection with certain such data; and for connected purposes.

Notes:

The Member moving and a Member opposing this Motion may each speak for up to 10 minutes.

Consideration of Lords Amendments

Westminster Hall

9.30am That this House has considered the matter of strengthening community cohesion: **John Slinger**

Notes:

The subject for this debate was determined by the Backbench Business Committee.

WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH

Chamber

Questions

11.30am Questions to the Secretary of State for Wales

12 noon Questions to the Prime Minister

Ten Minute Rule Motion

Tonia Antoniazzi: Police (Declaration)

That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require police officers and certain employees of police forces to declare a membership of or affiliation to certain types of society and organisation; to require such declarations to be accompanied by a statement relating to that membership; and for connected purposes.

Notes:

The Member moving and a Member opposing this Motion may each speak for up to 10 minutes.

Estimates Day (4th Allotted Day)

Notes:

The Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the above Motion will be deferred until 7.00pm ([Standing Order No. 54\(4\)](#), (5) and (6)).

THURSDAY 5 MARCH

Chamber

Questions

9.30am Questions to the Minister for the Cabinet Office

10.15am Topical Questions to the Minister for the Cabinet Office

Supply and Appropriation (Anticipation and Adjustments) (No. 2) Bill: Second and Third Reading

Notes:

The Questions for Second and Third Reading of this Bill must be put without debate ([Standing Order No. 56](#)).

This Bill is expected to be certified as a Money Bill.

Backbench Business

Contributions of Commonwealth troops in the First World War

Jas Athwal

That this House has considered the contributions of Commonwealth troops in the First World War.

Future of palliative care

Rachael Maskell [R]

That this House notes the findings of the Independent Palliative Care Commission; calls on the Government to implement its recommendations in full, including to establish a comprehensive and specialist palliative care service that is equally accessible to everyone and properly funded, as well as a new commissioning framework that secures a service across all settings and is available from the point of a terminal diagnosis, the advancement of a life-limiting illness or latter stages of a chronic condition; and further calls on the Government to have a focus on workforce planning and training, to provide a comprehensive palliative care service, and to ensure that patients are empowered through future care plans to articulate what they want to happen towards the end of their life, while also establishing bereavement services for all.

Notes:

The subjects for these debates were determined by the Backbench Business Committee.

Westminster Hall

1.30pm That this House has considered the contribution of local museums: **Jen Craft**

3.00pm That this House has considered World Book Day: **Helen Hayes**

Notes:

The subjects for these debates were determined by the Backbench Business Committee.

The sitting will be suspended and time added if divisions take place in the main Chamber ([Standing Order No. 10\(3\)](#)).

MONDAY 9 MARCH**Westminster Hall**

4.30pm That this House has considered [e-petition 751839](#) relating to the clinical trial into puberty blockers: **Jamie Stone, on behalf of the Petitions Committee**

6.00pm That this House has considered [e-petition 728677](#) relating to type 1 diabetes testing for infants: **Irene Campbell, on behalf of the Petitions Committee**

Notes:

The subjects for these debates were determined by the Petitions Committee. The sitting will last for up to three hours.

The sitting will be suspended and time added if divisions take place in the main Chamber ([Standing Order No. 10\(3\)](#)).

TUESDAY 10 MARCH**Chamber****Ten Minute Rule Motion****Ruth Jones**

That leave be given to bring in a Bill under SO No. 23 [details to be provided].

Notes:

The Member moving and a Member opposing this Motion may each speak for up to 10 minutes.

WEDNESDAY 11 MARCH**Chamber****Ten Minute Rule Motion****John Cooper**

That leave be given to bring in a Bill under SO No. 23 [details to be provided].

Notes:

The Member moving and a Member opposing this Motion may each speak for up to 10 minutes.

MONDAY 16 MARCH

Westminster Hall

4.30pm That this House has considered [e-petition 737660](#) relating to automatic by-elections following Member defections: **Dr Roz Savage, on behalf of the Petitions Committee**

Notes:

The subject for this debate was determined by the Petitions Committee. The sitting will last for up to three hours.

The sitting will be suspended and time added if divisions take place in the main Chamber ([Standing Order No. 10\(3\)](#)).

B. REMAINING ORDERS AND NOTICES

Business in this section has not yet been scheduled for a specific date. It has therefore been set down formally to be taken in the Chamber today but is not expected to be taken today.

1. Northern Ireland Troubles Bill: Committee

Notes:

Proceedings must, if they have not already ended, end at the moment of interruption ([Order of 18 November 2025](#)).

For amendments, see separate paper (also available on the [publications webpage](#) for the Bill).

2. Constitutional Law

Secretary Douglas Alexander

That the draft [Scotland Act 1998 \(Modification of Schedule 5\) Order 2026](#), which was laid before this House on 17 December 2025, be approved.

3. International Development

Chris Elmore

That the draft [Caribbean Development Bank \(Eleventh Replenishment of the Special Development Fund \(Unified\)\) Order 2026](#), which was laid before this House on 8 January, be approved.

4. Climate Change Levy

Dan Tomlinson

That the draft [Climate Change Levy \(Fuel Use and Recycling Processes\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 12 January, be approved.

5. Local Government

Alison McGovern

That the draft [Surrey \(Structural Changes\) Order 2026](#), which was laid before this House on 14 January, be approved.

6. Defence

Louise Sandher-Jones

That the draft [Armed Forces Commissioner \(Family Definition, and Consequential and Transitional Provision etc.\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 15 January, be approved.

7. Employment

Secretary Peter Kyle

That the draft [Employment Rights Act 2025 \(Investigatory Powers\) \(Consequential Amendments\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 27 January, be approved.

8. Social Security

Sir Stephen Timms

That the draft [Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments \(Conditions and Amounts\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 15 January, be approved.

9. Social Security

Sir Stephen Timms

That the draft [Pneumoconiosis etc. \(Workers' Compensation\) \(Payment of Claims\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 15 January, be approved.

10. Immigration

Secretary Shabana Mahmood

That the draft [Immigration and Nationality \(Fees\) \(Amendment\) Order 2026](#), which was laid before this House on 19 January, be approved.

11. Public Procurement

Chris Ward

That the draft [Procurement Act 2023 \(Specified International Agreements and Saving Provision\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 19 January, be approved.

12. [Public Office \(Accountability\) Bill](#): Remaining Stages

As amended in Public Bill Committee, to be considered.

Notes:

King's consent to be signified on Third Reading.

For amendments, see separate paper (also available on the [publications webpage](#) for the Bill).

13. Education

Josh MacAlister

That the draft [Higher Education \(Fee Limits and Fee Limit Condition\) \(England\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 5 February, be approved.

14. Merchant Shipping

Secretary Heidi Alexander

That the draft [Merchant Shipping \(General Lighthouse Authorities\) \(Increase of Borrowing Limit\) Order 2026](#), which was laid before this House on 21 January, be approved.

15. Education

Josh MacAlister

That the draft [Further Education \(Initial Teacher Training\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 22 January, be approved.

16. Consumer Protection**Secretary Peter Kyle**

That the draft [Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024 \(Alternative Dispute Resolution\) \(Conferral of Functions\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 26 January, be approved.

17. Consumer Protection**Secretary Peter Kyle**

That the draft [Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024 \(Alternative Dispute Resolution\) \(Consequential Amendments\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 26 January, be approved.

18. Electricity**Secretary Ed Miliband**

That the draft [Electricity and Gas \(Energy Company Obligation\) \(Amendment\) \(Specified Period\) Order 2026](#), which was laid before this House on 26 January, be approved.

19. Road Traffic**Secretary Heidi Alexander**

That the draft [Goods Vehicles \(Testing, Drivers' Hours and Tachographs etc.\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 26 January, be approved.

20. Public Procurement**Chris Ward**

That the draft [Procurement \(Amendment\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 26 January, be approved.

21. Ecclesiastical Law**Ian Murray**

That the draft [Grants to the Churches Conservation Trust Order 2026](#), which was laid before this House on 28 January, be approved.

22. Medicines**Dr Zubir Ahmed**

That the draft [Human Medicines \(Amendment\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 29 January, be approved.

23. Data Protection

Ian Murray

That the draft [Data \(Use and Access\) Act 2025 \(Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provision\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 2 February, be approved.

Notes:

The Instrument has not yet been considered by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments.

24. Electricity

Michael Shanks

That the draft [Electricity Supplier Payments \(Amendment\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 2 February, be approved.

25. Employment and Training

Andrew Western

That the draft [Industrial Training Levy \(Construction Industry Training Board\) Order 2026](#), which was laid before this House on 2 February, be approved.

26. Terms and Conditions of Employment

Secretary Peter Kyle

That the draft [National Minimum Wage \(Amendment\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 2 February, be approved.

27. Electricity

Michael Shanks

That the draft [Renewables Obligation \(Amendment\) Order 2026](#), which was laid before this House on 2 February, be approved.

28. Constitutional Law

Secretary Jo Stevens

That the draft [Tertiary Education and Research \(Wales\) Act 2022 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2026](#), which was laid before this House on 2 February, be approved.

29. Electricity

Secretary Ed Miliband

That the draft [Warm Home Discount \(England and Wales\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 2 February, be approved.

Notes:

The Instrument has not yet been considered by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments.

30. Finance (No. 2) Bill: Remaining Stages

As amended in Committee and in Public Bill Committee, to be considered.

Notes:

Proceedings on Consideration must, if they have not already ended, end one hour before the moment of interruption; and proceedings on Third Reading must, if they have not already ended, end at the moment of interruption ([Order of 16 December 2025](#)).

The Scottish Parliament and Senedd Cymru have approved Legislative Consent Resolutions relating to this Bill. Copies of the Resolutions are available in the Vote Office (also available on the [publications webpage](#) for the Bill).

For amendments, see separate paper (also available on the [publications webpage](#) for the Bill).

31. Electricity

Michael Shanks

That the draft [Contracts for Difference \(Sustainable Industry Rewards and Contract Budget Notice Amendments\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 5 February, be approved.

Notes:

The Instrument has not yet been considered by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments.

32. Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill: Consideration of Lords Amendments

Notes:

The Scottish Parliament have approved Legislative Consent Resolutions relating to this Bill. Copies of the Resolutions are available in the Vote Office (also available on the [publications webpage](#) for the Bill).

33. Railways Bill: Remaining Stages

As amended in Public Bill Committee, to be considered.

Notes:

Proceedings on Consideration must, if they have not already ended, end one hour before the moment of interruption; and proceedings on Third Reading must, if they have not already ended, end at the moment of interruption ([Order of 9 December 2025](#)).

For amendments, see separate paper (also available on the [publications webpage](#) for the Bill).

34. Building and Buildings

Samantha Dixon

That the draft [Building Safety \(Responsible Actors Scheme and Prohibitions\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 10 February, be approved.

Notes:

The Instrument has not yet been considered by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments.

35. Retained EU Law Reform

Secretary Heidi Alexander

That the draft [Train Driving Licences and Certificates \(Amendment\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 10 February, be approved.

Notes:

The Instrument has not yet been considered by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments.

36. Local Government

Miatta Fahnbulleh

That the draft [Sussex and Brighton Combined County Authority Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 11 February, be approved.

Notes:

The Instrument has not yet been considered by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments.

37. Rating and Valuation

Alison McGovern

That the draft [Non-Domestic Rating \(Rates Retention and Levy and Safety Net: Miscellaneous Amendments\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 12 February, be approved.

Notes:

The Instrument has not yet been considered by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments.

38. Financial Assistance to Industry

Secretary Liz Kendall

That this House authorises the Secretary of State to make payments, by way of financial assistance under section 8 of the [Industrial Development Act 1982](#), in excess of £30 million to any successful applicant to the Life Sciences Large Investment Portfolio, launched on 15 November 2025, up to a cumulative total of £570 million.

39. Energy

Martin McCluskey

That the draft [Energy Prices Act 2022 \(Extension of Time Limit\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 23 February, be approved.

Notes:

The Instrument has not yet been considered by the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments.

40. Income Tax**Dan Tomlinson**

That the draft [Major Sporting Events \(Income Tax Exemption\) \(Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games\) Regulations 2026](#), which were laid before this House on 23 February, be approved.

Notes:

The Instrument has not yet been considered by the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments.