



**GOVERNMENT WHIPS' OFFICE
HOUSE OF LORDS**

**FORTHCOMING BUSINESS
17 DECEMBER 2025**

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WEDNESDAY 17 DECEMBER

Business in the Chamber at 3pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Unauthorised Entry to Football Matches Bill – Committee – Lord Brennan of Canton
3. Crime and Policing Bill – Committee (day 7 of 13) – Lord Hanson of Flint / Baroness Levitt

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

No business scheduled

THURSDAY 18 DECEMBER

Business in the Chamber at 11am

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Pensions Schemes Bill – Second Reading – Baroness Sherlock

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1pm

No business scheduled



Friday 19 December to Sunday 4 January inclusive
Christmas Adjournment



Tuesday 23 December

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Diego Garcia Military Base and British Indian Ocean Territory Bill - Report

Friday 2 January

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Licensing Hours Extensions Bill - Committee

Sentencing Bill - Report (day 1)

MONDAY 5 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Crime and Policing Bill - Committee (day 8)

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Diego Garcia Military Base and British Indian Ocean Territory Bill – Report –
Baroness Chapman of Darlington

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

No business scheduled



TUESDAY 6 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Diego Garcia Military Base and British Indian Ocean Territory Bill - Third Reading

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Licensing Hours Extensions Bill – Committee – Lord Watson of Wyre Forest
3. Sentencing Bill – Report – Lord Timpson

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

1. Debate on the Report from the Environment and Climate Change Committee
Nitrogen: time to reduce, recycle, reuse – Baroness Sheehan / Baroness Hayman of Ullock

WEDNESDAY 7 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill - Committee (day 5)

Business in the Chamber at 3pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Diego Garcia Military Base and British Indian Ocean Territory Bill – Third Reading
– Baroness Chapman of Darlington
3. Crime and Policing Bill – Committee (day 8 of 13) – Lord Hanson of Flint / Baroness Levitt

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4:15pm

No business scheduled



THURSDAY 8 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Bill – Report
Pensions Schemes Bill – Committee (day 1)

Business in the Chamber at 11am

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Debate on recent developments in the debate on broadcasting in the UK – Lord Fowler / Baroness Twycross
3. QSD on the assessment made of the UK's responsibility to ensure that mining companies which operated in former British colonies during colonial rule address pollution that their activities caused in those countries – Lord Oates / Baroness Chapman of Darlington
4. Debate on measures, such as visa waivers, to improve the supply chain of qualified modern foreign language teachers and the sustainability of language learning in schools and universities – Baroness Coussins / Baroness Smith of Malvern

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1pm

1. QSD on steps being taken to ensure that advanced AI development remains safe and controllable, given the recent threat update warning from the Director General of MI5 – Lord Fairfax of Cameron / Lord Leong
2. QSD on how the Environmental Improvement Plan 2025 will deliver the targets of the Environment Act 2021 – Lord Krebs / Baroness Hayman of Ullock
3. QSD on the assessment made of the contribution that trade with Israel makes to the United Kingdom economy – Lord Austin of Dudley / Lord Stockwood
4. QSD on plans to include wider societal and economic benefits within the vaccine health technology assessment, rather than limiting evaluation solely to clinical outcomes – Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick / Baroness Merron

FRIDAY 9 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Sentencing Bill - Third Reading
Secure 16 to 19 Academies Bill - Committee
Crime and Policing Bill - Committee (day 9)

Business in the Chamber at 10am

1. Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill – Committee (day 5) – Lord Falconer of Thoroton / Baroness Merron
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MONDAY 12 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill - Report (day 1)

Pensions Schemes Bill - Committee (day 2)

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Sentencing Bill – Third Reading – Lord Timpson
3. Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Bill – Report – Baroness Chapman of Darlington

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

1. Pensions Schemes Bill – Committee (day 1 of 5) – Baroness Sherlock

TUESDAY 13 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Crime and Policing Bill - Committee (day 10)

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Secure 16 to 19 Academies Bill – Committee – Lord Bach
3. Crime and Policing Bill – Committee (day 9 of 13) – Lord Hanson of Flint / Baroness Levitt
4. ‡ QSD on the assessment made of any humanitarian impacts of actual and planned reductions in Official Development Assistance – Lord Bates / Baroness Chapman of Darlington (*Dinner break business, time limit 1 hour*)

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

Business may be scheduled



WEDNESDAY 14 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill - Committee (day 6)

Business in the Chamber at 3pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill – Report (day 1 of 5) – Baroness Smith of Malvern

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4:15pm

1. Draft Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Order 2025 – Lord Timpson
2. Pensions Schemes Bill – Committee (day 2 of 5) – Baroness Sherlock

THURSDAY 15 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Unauthorised Entry to Football Matches Bill - Third Reading
Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill - Report (day 2)
Pensions Schemes Bill – Committee (day 3)

Business in the Chamber at 11am

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Crime and Policing Bill – Committee (day 10 of 13) – Lord Hanson of Flint / Baroness Levitt

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1pm

Business may be scheduled

FRIDAY 16 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Bill – Third Reading
Crime and Policing Bill - Committee (day 11)
English Devolution and Community Empowerment Bill - Committee (day 1)

Business in the Chamber at 10am

1. Unauthorised Entry to Football Matches Bill – Third Reading – Lord Brennan of Canton / Lord Lemos
 2. Rare Cancers Bill – Second Reading – Baroness Elliott of Whitburn Bay / Baroness Merron
 3. Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill – Committee (day 6) – Lord Falconer of Thoroton / Baroness Merron
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PROVISIONAL

MONDAY 19 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill - Report (day 3)

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Bill – Third Reading –
Baroness Chapman of Darlington
3. Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill – Report (day 2 of 5) – Baroness Smith of
Malvern

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

1. Pensions Schemes Bill – Committee (day 3 of 5) – Baroness Sherlock

TUESDAY 20 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Crime and Policing Bill - Committee (day 12)
Pensions Schemes Bill – Committee (day 4)

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Crime and Policing Bill – Committee (day 11 of 13) – Lord Hanson of Flint /
Baroness Levitt

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 3:45pm

1. English Devolution and Community Empowerment Bill – Committee (day 1 of 7) –
Baroness Taylor of Stevenage

WEDNESDAY 21 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:
Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill - Committee (day 7)

Business in the Chamber at 3pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill – Report (day 3 of 5) – Baroness Smith of
Malvern

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 4:15pm

Business may be scheduled



THURSDAY 22 JANUARY

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

Licensing Hours Extensions Bill - Third Reading

Business in the Chamber at 11am

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. Crime and Policing Bill – Committee (day 12 of 13) – Lord Hanson of Flint / Baroness Levitt

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 1pm

1. Pensions Schemes Bill – Committee (day 4 of 5) – Baroness Sherlock

FRIDAY 23 JANUARY

Business in the Chamber at 10am

1. Licensing Hours Extensions Bill – Third Reading – Lord Watson of Wyre Forest / Minister TBC
2. Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill – Committee (day 7) – Lord Falconer of Thoroton / Baroness Merron





Information

1. This document informally advertises the business which the Government anticipates the House will take in the coming three sitting weeks. It should be read together with the formal Order Paper produced by the Clerk of the Parliaments, available from the Printed Paper Office and lordsbusiness.parliament.uk
2. The advertised business on any day may be interrupted for a Ministerial statement or urgent question
3. Items marked ‡ are expected to be taken during the dinner or lunch break. This usually starts at around 7.30pm or 1.30pm but may start earlier or later
4. The number of sessions shown for a stage of a bill represents the Government's assessment of reasonable time given the balance of bills and remaining days to the likely end of the session. Progress remains in the hands of the House. Report stage is usually half the length of Committee.

Committee / Report stages, provisional future dates. This section outlines the provisional dates for committee / report stages. These are provisional, and may change depending on the progress of business.

Crime and Policing Bill Committee (13 days)

1. Monday 10 November
2. Monday 17 November
3. Wednesday 19 November
4. Thursday 27 November
5. Tuesday 9 December
6. Monday 15 December
7. Wednesday 17 December
8. Wednesday 7 January
9. Tuesday 13 January
10. Thursday 15 January
11. Tuesday 20 January
12. Thursday 22 January
13. Tuesday 27 January

Pension Schemes Bill Committee (5 days)

1. Monday 12 January
2. Wednesday 14 January
3. Monday 19 January
4. Thursday 22 January
5. Monday 26 January

Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill Report (5 days)

1. Wednesday 14 January
2. Monday 19 January
3. Wednesday 21 January
4. Wednesday 28 January
5. Tuesday 3 February



English Devolution and Community Empowerment Bill Committee (7 days)

1. Tuesday 20 January
2. Tuesday 27 January
3. Thursday 29 January
4. Tuesday 3 February
5. Thursday 5 February
6. Monday 9 February
7. Wednesday 11 February

Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill

1. Friday 14 November
2. Friday 21 November
3. Friday 5 December
4. Friday 12 December
5. Friday 9 January
6. Friday 16 January
7. Friday 23 January
8. Friday 30 January
9. Friday 6 February
10. Friday 27 February
11. Friday 13 March
12. Friday 20 March
13. Friday 27 March
14. Friday 24 April

All will be subject to the typical tabling deadlines for the marshalled list, and any changes will be announced via forthcoming business in the usual way.



Recess dates

Subject to the progress of business, the House will be adjourned during the following periods:

- ***Christmas:*** Friday 19 December to Sunday 4 January 2026
- ***February 2026:*** Friday 13 February to Sunday 22 February
- ***Easter 2026:*** Saturday 28 March to Sunday 12 April
- ***Whitsun 2026:*** Friday 22 May to Sunday 31 May
- ***Summer 2026:*** Friday 24 July to Monday 31 August
- ***Conference 2026:*** Friday 18 September to Sunday 11 October.

Sitting Fridays

The House is expected to sit on the following Fridays: 9 January, 16 January, 23 January, 30 January, 6 February, 27 February, 6 March, 13 March, 20 March, 27 March, 24 April.

Questions for short debate

Four balloted questions for short debate will be asked in Grand Committee on Thursday 8 January.

Advice on business

General inquiries

Email	holgovernmentwhips@parliament.uk
Telephone	020-7219 3131
Website	www.lordswhips.org.uk

Advice on the day's expected timing

Main Office; 020 7219 3131; Room 13

Grouping of amendments

Max Bull 07546653786; Room 15

Michael Bleakley 07562438955; Room 15

Scheduling private members' Bills

Michael Bleakley 07562438955; Room 15

*Arrangement of other business
(secondary legislation, debates, QSDs etc)*

Charlotte Peters 020 7219 5215; Room 14



Speakers' lists

For most debates, it is necessary to sign-up in advance to speak. Speakers' lists close at 5pm two working days before a question or debate takes place (4pm on Fridays).

Once lists close the Government Whips' Office consults the usual channels about the order of speakers and then issues an ordered list through publication of Today's List. To sign-up to speak Telephone 020-7219 3131 or use www.lordswhips.org.uk/speakers-lists.

On the day of publication of this edition of Forthcoming Business, the following speakers' lists were open for debates:

Tuesday 6 January	Debate on the Report from the Environment and Climate Change Committee <i>Nitrogen: time to reduce, recycle, reuse</i>
Thursday 8 January	Debate on recent developments in the debate on broadcasting in the UK QSD on the assessment made of the UK's responsibility to ensure that mining companies which operated in former British colonies during colonial rule address pollution that their activities caused in those countries Debate on measures, such as visa waivers, to improve the supply chain of qualified modern foreign language teachers and the sustainability of language learning in schools and universities QSD on steps being taken to ensure that advanced AI development remains safe and controllable, given the recent threat update warning from the Director General of MI5 QSD on how the Environmental Improvement Plan 2025 will deliver the targets of the Environment Act 2021 QSD on the assessment made of the contribution that trade with Israel makes to the United Kingdom economy QSD on plans to include wider societal and economic benefits within the vaccine health technology assessment, rather than limiting evaluation solely to clinical outcomes
Tuesday 13 January	QSD on the assessment made of any humanitarian impacts of actual and planned reductions in Official Development Assistance
Friday 16 January	Rare Cancers Bill – Second Reading