

**GOVERNMENT WHIPS' OFFICE
HOUSE OF LORDS**

**FORTHCOMING BUSINESS
13 MAY 2026**

[Notes about this document are set out at the end]

WEDNESDAY 13 MAY 2026

Business in the Chamber at 11.30am

1. His Majesty will open the new session of Parliament

Business in the Chamber at 3.30pm

1. The motion for a Humble Address will be moved and seconded

Business in Grand Committee at 3:45pm

No business scheduled

DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS

The debate on the Humble Address is a single debate taken over five days. Each member may speak once in the debate, on one of the days. There will be a separate speakers' list for each day.

THURSDAY 14 MAY

Business in the Chamber at 11am

1. The King's Speech (Day 1 of 5) – adjourned debate on the motion for a Humble Address. It is expected that the principal topics for debate will be economic growth, trade and EU partnership – Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent / Lord Livermore

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 12:15pm

No business scheduled

FRIDAY 15 MAY

The House is expected not to sit

MONDAY 18 MAY

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. The King's Speech (Day 2 of 5) – adjourned debate on the motion for a Humble Address. It is expected that the principal topics for debate will be justice, home affairs and the union – Baroness Levitt / Lord Hanson of Flint

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

1. Draft Provision of Information (Contractual Control) (Registered Land) Regulations 2026 – Baroness Taylor of Stevenage
2. Draft Hampshire and the Solent Combined County Authority Regulations 2026 – Baroness Taylor of Stevenage
3. The Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2026 – Baroness Chapman of Darlington
4. Draft Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (Amendment) Regulations 2026 – Lord Wilson of Sedgfield
5. Draft Energy Prices Act 2022 (Amendment) (NI) Regulations 2026 – Lord Whitehead

TUESDAY 19 MAY

Business in the Chamber at 2:30pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. The King's Speech (Day 3 of 5) – adjourned debate on the motion for a Humble Address. It is expected that the principal topics for debate will be education, culture, technology and energy security – Lord Whitehead / Baroness Smith of Malvern

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

Business may be scheduled

WEDNESDAY 20 MAY

Business in the Chamber at 3pm

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. The King's Speech (Day 4 of 5) – adjourned debate on the motion for a Humble Address. It is expected that the principal topics for debate will be health, housing and transport – Baroness Merron / Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill

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

Business may be scheduled

THURSDAY 21 MAY

Business in the Chamber at 11am

1. Oral questions (*40 minutes*)
2. The King's Speech (Day 5 of 5) – adjourned debate on the motion for a Humble Address. It is expected that the principal topics for debate will be foreign affairs, international relations and defence – Baroness Chapman of Darlington / Lord Coaker

Business in Grand Committee in the Moses Room at 12.15pm

Business may be scheduled

*Whitsun recess:
Friday 22 May to Sunday 31 May inclusive*

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.

Recess dates

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

- **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
- **November 2026:** Thursday 5 November to Sunday 8 November
- **Christmas 2026:** Friday 18 December to Monday 4 January
- **February 2027:** Friday 12 February to Sunday 21 February
- **Easter 2027:** Friday 26 March to Sunday 11 April.

Sitting Fridays

The House is expected to sit on the following Fridays: 5 June, 3 July, 17 July, 11 September.

Questions for short debate

Four balloted questions for short debate will be asked in Grand Committee on Thursday 4 June.

Advice on business

General inquiries

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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.

Thursday 14 May	The King's Speech (Day 1 of 5) – adjourned debate on the motion for a Humble Address. It is expected that the principal topics for debate will be <u>economic growth, trade and EU partnership</u>
Monday 18 May	The King's Speech (Day 2 of 5) – adjourned debate on the motion for a Humble Address. It is expected that the principal topics for debate will be <u>justice, home affairs and the union</u>
Tuesday 19 May	The King's Speech (Day 3 of 5) – adjourned debate on the motion for a Humble Address. It is expected that the principal topics for debate will be <u>education, culture, technology and energy security</u>
Wednesday 20 May	The King's Speech (Day 4 of 5) – adjourned debate on the motion for a Humble Address. It is expected that the principal topics for debate will be <u>health, housing and transport</u>
Thursday 21 May	The King's Speech (Day 5 of 5) – adjourned debate on the motion for a Humble Address. It is expected that the principal topics for debate will be <u>foreign affairs, international relations and defence</u>