

GOVERNMENT WHIPS' OFFICE  
HOUSE OF LORDS

FORTHCOMING BUSINESS  
15 JANUARY 2020

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

WEDNESDAY 15 JANUARY 2020

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

*European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill – Committee (day 3)*

**Business in the Chamber at 11.00am**

1. European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill – Committee (day 2 of 3) – Lord Callanan

**Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm**

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill – Committee (day 2 of 3) – Lord Callanan
3. *It is intended that there will be a short adjournment during proceedings on the Bill*

**Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm**

No business scheduled

THURSDAY 16 JANUARY 2020

**Business in the Chamber at 11.00am**

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill – Committee (day 3 of 3) – Lord Callanan
3. ‡ Topical QSD on the implications of the use of drones to assassinate Qasem Soleimani for existing agreements on the use of drones – Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbotts/Baroness Goldie (*lunch break business, time limit 1 hour*)

**Business in Grand Committee at 2.00pm**

No business scheduled

FRIDAY 17 JANUARY 2020

*The House is expected not to sit*

Tabling day (10.00am to 4.00pm) for amendments for the marshalled list for:

*European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill – Report (day 1)*

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## MONDAY 20 JANUARY 2020

Last day to table amendments for the marshalled list for:

*European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill – Report (day 2)*

### **Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm**

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill – Report (day 1 of 2) – Lord Callanan
3. *It is intended that there will be a short adjournment during proceedings on the Bill*

### **Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm**

No business scheduled

## TUESDAY 21 JANUARY 2020

### **Business in the Chamber at 11.00am**

1. European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill – Report (day 2 of 2) – Lord Callanan

### **Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm**

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill – Report (day 2 of 2) – Lord Callanan
3. European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill – Third Reading – Lord Callanan

### **Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm**

No business scheduled

## WEDNESDAY 22 JANUARY 2020

### **Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm**

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)  
*Items 2 and 3 are expected to be debated together*
2. Draft Release of Prisoners (Alteration of Relevant Proportion of Sentence) Order 2019 – motion to approve – Lord Keen of Elie
3. Draft Criminal Justice and Courts Act 2015 (Consequential Amendment) Regulations 2019 – motion to approve – Lord Keen of Elie
4. Consideration of Commons amendments to the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill – Lord Callanan

### **Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm**

No business scheduled

## THURSDAY 23 JANUARY 2020

### Business in the Chamber at 11.00am

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Oral questions to the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (*20 minutes*)
3. Debate on the reports from the EU Committee *Fisheries: implementation and enforcement of the EU landing obligation* and *The EU fisheries landing obligation: six months on* – Lord Teverson/Lord Goldsmith of Richmond Park
4. Debate on the report from the Economic Affairs Committee *Rethinking High Speed 2* – Lord Forsyth of Drumlean/Baroness Vere of Norbiton

### Business in Grand Committee at 2.00pm

No business scheduled

## FRIDAY 24 JANUARY 2020

*The House is expected not to sit*

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## MONDAY 27 JANUARY 2020

### Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill [HL] - Second Reading – Baroness Vere of Norbiton
3. QSD on the current health of the Reserve Forces – Lord de Mauley/Baroness Goldie (*time limit 1½ hours*)

### Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm

No business yet scheduled

## TUESDAY 28 JANUARY 2020

### Business in the Chamber at 2.30pm

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Pension Schemes Bill [HL] - Second Reading – Baroness Stedman-Scott
3. *Further business will be scheduled*

### Business in Grand Committee at 3.30pm

No business yet scheduled

## WEDNESDAY 29 JANUARY 2020

### Business in the Chamber at 3.00pm

1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. *Business will be scheduled*
3. QSD on steps to improve social mobility proposed in the Sutton Trust's *Mobility Manifesto*, published in November 2019, and the recommendations of the Social Mobility Commission's report *State of the Nation 2018-19: Social Mobility in Great Britain*— Baroness Tyler of Enfield/Lord Agnew of Oulton (*time limit 1½ hours*)

### Business in Grand Committee at 3.45pm

No business yet scheduled

## THURSDAY 30 JANUARY 2020

### Business in the Chamber at 11.00am

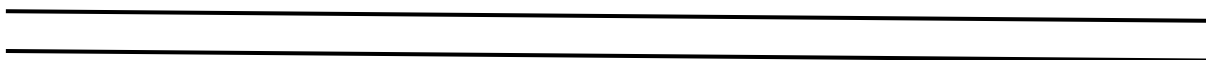
1. Oral questions (*30 minutes*)
2. Balloted debate on recent developments in the field of gene editing, and its status in scientific research around the world – Baroness Bakewell/Lord Duncan of Springbank (*time limit 2½ hours*)
3. *A topical QSD may be taken between the debates (ballot to be drawn on Tuesday 21 January, time limit 1 hour)*
4. Balloted debate on the role played by defence, diplomacy, and development policy in building a safer, fairer, and cleaner world – Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale/Baroness Sugg (*time limit 2½ hours*)

### Business in Grand Committee at 2.00pm

No business yet scheduled

## FRIDAY 31 JANUARY 2020

*The House is expected not to sit*



# Information

## Notes

- This document informally advertises the business which the Government anticipates the House will take in the coming three 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 [www.parliament.uk/lords](http://www.parliament.uk/lords)
- Timings in italics are estimates only: business may take more or less time than that estimated. Other times are maximums: business may take less time than the maximum
- 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
- The advertised business on any day may be interrupted for a Ministerial statement
- 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 in 2020:

- *February*: Friday 14 February to Sunday 23 February inclusive
- *Easter*: Thursday 2 April to Monday 20 April inclusive
- *VE Day long weekend*: Thursday 7 May to Sunday 10 May inclusive
- *Whitsun*: Friday 22 May to Monday 1 June inclusive
- *Summer*: Wednesday 22 July to Monday 7 September inclusive
- *Conference*: Friday 18 September to Monday 12 October inclusive

## Sitting Fridays

The House is expected to sit on the following Fridays: 7 February and 13 March. Further sitting Fridays will be announced in due course.

## Questions for short debate

A member who wishes to ask a QSD must first table it with the clerks in the Table Office. The question is then printed in a running list in House of Lords Business, a House publication. Members should then consult the Government Whips' Office to agree upon a suitable date when the question can be asked. Otherwise the Government Whips' Office offers time to members to ask QSDs in the order in which they appear in the list in House of Lords Business. The slots available are the dinner breaks on most Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and end of business on Thursdays (though other business, mainly motions in opposition to SIs, competes for this time) and on occasion in Grand Committee. In addition, the Grand Committee meets for a day of up to four 1 hour QSDs at least for every five sitting weeks. To see the Whips' Office progress in scheduling QSDs and for more detailed guidance, visit [www.lordswhips.org.uk/qlds](http://www.lordswhips.org.uk/qlds).

## 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

Anishaa Aubeeluck; 020-7219 1113; Room 14

Scheduling private members' business

Ben Burgess; 020-7219 5215; Room 14

## ***Speakers' Lists***

For most debates, it is necessary to sign-up in advance to speak. Speakers' lists close at 6pm on the previous weekday (4pm on Fridays) except when a speakers' list for an afternoon sitting has been open for less than a sitting day, in which case the list closes at 12 noon on the day of the debate. The Government Whips' Office then consults the usual channels about the order of speakers and issues an ordered list of speakers.

*To sign-up to speak*

Telephone 020-7219 3131

Use the touchscreen in the main office (Room 13, Principal Floor)

Use [www.lordswhips.org.uk](http://www.lordswhips.org.uk)

*To see who has signed-up to speak* use the touchscreen in the main office (which has a print facility) or visit [www.lordswhips.org.uk](http://www.lordswhips.org.uk).

### *Current Speakers' Lists*

On the day of publication of this edition of Forthcoming Business, the following Speakers' Lists were open:

Thursday 16 January	Topical QSD on the implications of the use of drones to assassinate Qasem Soleimani for existing agreements on the use of drones
Thursday 23 January	Debate on the reports from the EU Committee <i>Fisheries: implementation and enforcement of the EU landing obligation</i> and <i>The EU fisheries landing obligation: six months on</i> Debate on the report from the Economic Affairs Committee <i>Rethinking High Speed 2</i>
Monday 27 January	Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill [HL] - Second Reading QSD on the current health of the Reserve Forces
Tuesday 28 January	Pension Schemes Bill [HL] - Second Reading
Wednesday 29 January	QSD on steps to improve social mobility proposed in the Sutton Trust's <i>Mobility Manifesto</i> , published in November 2019, and the recommendations of the Social Mobility Commission's report <i>State of the Nation 2018-19: Social Mobility in Great Britain</i>
Thursday 30 January	Balloted debate on recent developments in the field of gene editing, and its status in scientific research around the world Balloted debate on the role played by defence, diplomacy, and development policy in building a safer, fairer, and cleaner world
Wednesday 5 February	QSD on proposals for replacing the European Structural Funds currently administered by the Welsh Government