



House of Commons  
Culture, Media and Sport  
Committee

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## **Formal Minutes**

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**Session 2006–07**

## **Culture, Media and Sport Committee**

The Culture, Media and Sport Committee is appointed by the House of Commons to examine the expenditure, administration, and policy of the Department for Culture, Media and Sport.

### **Current membership**

Mr John Whittingdale MP (*Conservative, Maldon & East Chelmsford*) (*Chairman*)  
Janet Anderson MP (*Labour, Rossendale and Darwen*)  
Mr Nigel Evans MP (*Conservative, Ribble Valley*)  
Philip Davies MP (*Conservative, Shipley*)  
Paul Farrelly MP (*Labour, Newcastle-under-Lyme*)  
Mr Mike Hall MP (*Labour, Weaver Vale*)  
Alan Keen MP (*Labour, Feltham and Heston*)  
Rosemary McKenna MP (*Labour, Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East*)  
Adam Price MP (*Plaid Cymru, Carmarthen East and Dinefwr*)  
Mr Adrian Sanders MP (*Liberal Democrat, Torbay*)  
Helen Southworth MP (*Labour, Warrington South*)

The following member was also a member of the committee during the parliament – Mr Tim Yeo MP (*Conservative, South Suffolk*)

### **Powers**

The committee is one of the departmental select committees, the powers of which are set out in House of Commons Standing Orders, principally in SO No 152. These are available on the Internet via [www.parliament.uk](http://www.parliament.uk).

### **Publications**

The Reports and evidence of the Committee are published by The Stationery Office by Order of the House. All publications of the Committee (including press notices) are on the Internet at [www.parliament.uk/parliamentary\\_committees/culture\\_media\\_and\\_sport.cfm](http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary_committees/culture_media_and_sport.cfm).

### **Committee staff**

The staff of the Committee on the last day of the 2006-07 Session (30 October 2007) were Kenneth Fox (Clerk), Martin Gaunt (Second Clerk), Daniel Dyball (Committee Specialist), Anna Watkins and Lisa Wrobel (Committee Assistants), Rowena Macdonald (Secretary), Jim Hudson (Office Support).

### **Contacts**

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# Proceedings of the Committee

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**Tuesday 21 November 2006**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson  
Philip Davies  
Mr Mike Hall

Alan Keen  
Rosemary McKenna  
Mr Adrian Sanders

## ***1. Work of the Committee***

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit the studios of Optimistic Entertainment in Wapping in connection with its inquiry into Call TV Quiz Shows.—(*The Chairman.*)

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## ***2. London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games***

Julia Bracewell, Scotland representative, Stephen Castle, East of England representative, and Juliet Williams, South West representative, 2012 Nations & Regions Group, London Organising Committee for the Olympic Games, gave oral evidence.

Rt Hon Tessa Jowell MP, Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, and Jeff Jacobs, Chief Executive, Government Olympic Executive, Department for Culture, Media and Sport, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 28 November at Ten o'clock.

*Monday 27 November 2006*

*Mr John Whittingdale and Philip Davies visited the British Board of Film Classification in connection with the Committee's inquiry into New Media and the Creative Industries, in accordance with the decision of the Committee on 10 October 2006.*

*Mr John Whittingdale and Philip Davies visited the studios of Optimistic Entertainment, in connection with the Committee's inquiry into Call TV Quiz Shows, in accordance with the decision of the Committee on 21 November 2006.*

**Tuesday 28 November 2006**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson

Mr Nigel Evans

Philip Davies

Paul Farrelly

Mr Mike Hall

Alan Keen

Rosemary McKenna

Adam Price

Mr Adrian Sanders

Helen Southworth

**1. *Work of the Committee***

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit Glasgow in connection with its inquiry into Caring for our collections.—(*The Chairman.*)

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit the British Museum in connection with its inquiry into Caring for our collections.—(*The Chairman.*)

**2. *Call TV quiz shows***

Tony Herbert, Social Policy Officer, and Susan Marks, Social Policy Officer, Citizens' Advice, and Shari Vahl, Reporter, You and Yours, BBC Radio 4, gave oral evidence.

Martin Le Jeune, Head of Public Affairs, and Nick Rust, Director of Betting & Gaming at Sky Interactive, BSkyB, gave oral evidence.

David Brook, Chairman, and Carolyn Maze, Managing Director, Optimistic Entertainment plc, and Frederik Fleck, Managing Director, and Will Howell-Cornes, Senior Approver of Compliance, Ostrich Media Ltd, gave oral evidence.

Anne Bulford, Finance Director, and Neil Pepin, Deputy Head of Legal and Compliance, Charles Constable, Director of Strategy, and Chris Loweth, Programme Lawyer, Jeff Henry, Director of ITV Consumer, and William Van Rest, Controller of ITV Play, ITV, gave oral evidence.

Tom Kavanagh CBE, Deputy Chief Executive, The Gambling Commission, Chris Banatvala, Director of Standards, Ofcom, and George Kidd, Chief Executive, ICSTIS, gave oral evidence.

Shaun Woodward MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, David Fitzgerald, Head of Gaming and Lotteries, and Chris Dawes, Deputy Head, Broadcasting Policy Division, Department for Culture, Media and Sport, gave oral evidence

[Adjourned till Tuesday 12 December at a quarter past Ten o'clock.

*Tuesday 5 December 2006*

*Mr John Whittingdale, Philip Davies, Mr Nigel Evans, Paul Farrelly, Mr Mike Hall, Rosemary McKenna, and Helen Southworth visited the British Museum in connection with the Committee's inquiry into Caring for our collections, in accordance with the decision of the Committee on 28 November 2006.*

**Tuesday 12 December 2006**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson	Alan Keen
Philip Davies	Rosemary McKenna
Mr Nigel Evans	Mr Adrian Sanders
Paul Farrelly	Helen Southworth
Mr Mike Hall	

**1. Work of the Committee**

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit Glasgow and Newcastle in connection with its inquiry into Caring for our collections.—(*The Chairman.*)

*Resolved*, That the Committee agrees to meet concurrently with the Trade and Industry Committee for the purpose of examining the Ofcom draft Annual Plan for 2007-08.—(*The Chairman.*)

*Resolved*, That the Committee inquire into tourism.—(*The Chairman.*)

**2. London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games**

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 19 December at a quarter past Ten o'clock.

*Wednesday 13 – Friday 15 December 2006*

*Mr John Whittingdale, Janet Anderson, Philip Davies, Mr Mike Hall, Alan Keen, Rosemary McKenna, Mr Adrian Sanders, and Helen Southworth visited Athens in connection with the Committee’s inquiry into Caring for our collections, in accordance with the decision of the Committee on 10 October.*

**Tuesday 19 December 2006**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Paul Farrelly

Rosemary McKenna

Mr Adrian Sanders

Helen Southworth

***Caring for our collections***

Alec Coles, Director, Discovery Museum, Tyne & Wear Museums, Janet Barnes, Chief Executive, York Museums Trust, Nick Dodd, Chief Executive, Sheffield Galleries and Museums Trust, also Lead Director, Yorkshire Regional Museums Hub, gave oral evidence.

Bill Ferris, Chief Executive, The Association of Independent Museums, Sarah Staniforth, Historic Properties Director, Olivia Morris, Policy and Campaigns Officer, The National Trust, and David Wilson, Director, The Wordsworth Trust, gave oral evidence.

Dr Christopher Brown, Director, Ashmolean Museum, Dr Michael O’Hanlon, Director, Pitt Rivers Museum, Oxford University Museums, and Nichola Johnson, Director, The University Museums Group, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 9 January 2007 at a quarter past Ten o’clock.]

**Tuesday 9 January 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson  
Mr Nigel Evans  
Philip Davies  
Paul Farrelly

Alan Keen  
Mr Adrian Sanders  
Helen Southworth

**1. *Work of the Committee***

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit Pinewood Studios.—(*The Chairman.*)

**2. *Caring for our collections***

Sir Nicholas Goodison, Martin Levy, member, Reviewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art and Objects of Cultural Interest, Jonathan Scott, Chairman, and Gerry McQuillan MBE, Secretary, Acceptance in Lieu Panel, Hugh Stevenson, Chairman, and William Massey QC, member, The Goodison Review Group, gave oral evidence.

Dame Liz Forgan OBE, Chair, and Carole Souter, Director, The Heritage Lottery Fund, gave oral evidence.

David Barrie, Director, The Art Fund, gave oral evidence.

Julian Radcliffe, Chairman, The Art Loss Register, Richard Ellis, Consultant, Swift-Find Ltd, Fred Hohler, Chairman, and Andrew Ellis, Director, The Public Catalogue Foundation, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Thursday 11 January at Ten o'clock.

**Thursday 11 January 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson	Rosemary McKenna
Philip Davies	Adam Price
Mr Mike Hall	Mr Adrian Sanders
Alan Keen	

**1. London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games**

The Committee discussed informally the Chairman's draft Report.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 16 January at a quarter past Ten o'clock.

**Tuesday 16 January 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson	Mr Mike Hall
Philip Davies	Rosemary McKenna
Nigel Evans	Mr Adrian Sanders
Paul Farrelly	

**1. Work of the Committee 2005-06**

Draft Report, proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

*[The draft Report was agreed to; the formal minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the First Report of the Committee, HC 234.]*

**2. London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games**

The Committee discussed informally the Chairman's draft Report.

Mr Nigel Evans declared a relevant interest as owner of a retail convenience store with a National Lottery terminal.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 17 January at half past Ten o'clock.

**Wednesday 17 January 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies  
Nigel Evans  
Paul Farrelly

Mr Mike Hall  
Rosemary McKenna

**1. *London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games: funding and legacy***

Draft Report, proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

*[The draft Report was agreed to; the formal minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Second Report of the Committee, HC 69.]*

**2. *Call TV quiz shows***

Draft Report, proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

*[The draft Report was agreed to; the formal minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Third Report of the Committee, HC 72.]*

[Adjourned till Tuesday 23 January at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 23 January 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson

Philip Davies

Paul Farrelly

Alan Keen

Adrian Sanders

Helen Southworth

**1. *Work of the Committee***

*Resolved*, That the Committee is concerned at premature reporting of the content of the Committee's Second Report (*London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games: funding and legacy*) and reminds Committee members that disclosures of draft reports and deliberations do not help the Committee in its work.—(*The Chairman.*)

**2. *Public Service Media Content***

*Resolved*, That the memorandum submitted on behalf of the Church of England and the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales be reported to the House.—(*The Chairman.*)

**3. *Caring for our collections***

Mark Wood, Chairman, Chris Batt OBE, Chief Executive, and Sue Wilkinson, Director, Policy & Advocacy, gave oral evidence.

Baroness Ashton of Upholland, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Constitutional Affairs, and David Lammy MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Culture, Media and Sport, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 30 January at half past Nine o'clock.]

**Tuesday 30 January 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Mr Nigel Evans  
Mr Mike Hall

Adam Price

**1. *Work of the Committee***

*Resolved, That the Committee inquire into self-regulation of the press.—(The Chairman.)*

*Tuesday 30 January 2007*

*Mr John Whittingdale, Mr Nigel Evans, Mr Mike Hall and Adam Price visited Pinewood Studios, in accordance with the decision of the Committee on 9 January 2007.*

*Thursday 1 – Friday 2 February 2007*

*Mr John Whittingdale, Janet Anderson, Mr Mike Hall, Alan Keen, Rosemary McKenna, Adam Price, Mr Adrian Sanders, Helen Southworth visited Newcastle and Glasgow in connection with the Committee's inquiry into Caring for our collections, in accordance with the decision of the Committee on 12 December 2006.*

**Tuesday 20 February 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson

Philip Davies

Nigel Evans

Mr Mike Hall

Adam Price

Alan Keen

Rosemary McKenna

Mr Adrian Sanders

**1. *The Committee's programme of work***

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit the Churchill Museum in connection with its inquiry into Caring for our Collections.—(*The Chairman.*)

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit the offices of the Press Complaints Commission in Holborn in connection with its inquiry into Self-regulation of the Press.—(*The Chairman.*)

**2. *Public service media content***

*Resolved*, That the memorandum submitted by the Community Media Association be reported to the House.—(*The Chairman.*)

Rt Hon Lord Burns of Pitshanger GCE, David Elstein, Tim Gardam and Jeremy Mayhew gave oral evidence.

Jocelyn Hay CBE, Director, Voice of the Listener and Viewer, Kirsty Young, Classic FM Consumer Panel, Professor David Buckingham and Richard North gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 27 February at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 27 February 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies

Mr Nigel Evans

Paul Farrelly

Mr Mike Hall

Alan Keen

Rosemary McKenna

Adam Price

Mr Adrian Sanders

**1. *The Committee's programme of work***

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit Canada and the USA in connection with its inquiries into Public service media content, Tourism and Preparations for the London 2012 Olympics; and that the Chairman seek the approval of the Liaison Committee for expenditure in connection with the said visit.—(*The Chairman.*)

**2. *Public service media content***

Darren Henley, Managing Director, Classic FM, Simon Cooper, Corporate Responsibility Adviser, GCap Media, Kevin Stewart, Chief Executive, Tindle Radio, and Lisa Kerr, Head of External Affairs, RadioCentre, gave oral evidence.

John McVay, Chief Executive, and Mike Watts, Co-Founder and Director of Novel Entertainment and Chair of the Children's and Animation Committee, Producers' Alliance for Cinema and Television (PACT), gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 6 March at a quarter to Ten o'clock.

*Thursday 1 March 2007*

*Mr John Whittingdale, Alan Keen and Rosemary McKenna visited the offices of the Press Complaints Commission in Holborn in connection with the Committee's inquiry into Self-regulation of the Press, in accordance with the decision of the Committee on 20 February 2007.*

**Tuesday 6 March 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson

Philip Davies

Mr Nigel Evans

Paul Farrelly

Mr Mike Hall

Alan Keen

Rosemary McKenna

Helen Southworth

**1. *The Committee's programme of work***

*Ordered*, That Alan Keen visit the South Bank Centre in a representative capacity.—(*The Chairman.*)

**2. *Self-regulation of the press***

Mike Jempson, Director, The MediaWise Trust, Professor Chris Frost, Chair of Ethics Council, and Jeremy Dear, General Secretary, National Union of Journalists, gave oral evidence.

Richard Thomas, Information Commissioner, and Mick Gorrill, Head of Regulatory Action Division, Office of the Information Commissioner, gave oral evidence.

Les Hinton, Executive Chairman, News International and Chairman of the Editors' Code of Practice Committee, Arthur Edwards MBE, Royal photographer, *The Sun*, Paul Horrocks, Editor, *Manchester Evening News* and President, Society of Editors, and Bob Satchwell, Executive Director, Society of Editors, gave oral evidence.

Eugene Duffy, Group Managing Editor, MGN Ltd, and Robin Esser, Executive Managing Editor, *Daily Mail*, gave oral evidence.

Sir Christopher Meyer KCMG, Chairman, and Tim Toulmin, Director, Press Complaints Commission, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 13 March at Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 13 March 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies  
Paul Farrelly  
Adam Price

Rosemary McKenna  
Helen Southworth

***1. Public service media content***

Andy Duncan, Chief Executive, and Anne Bulford, Group Finance Director, Channel 4, gave oral evidence.

Michael Grade, Executive Chairman, and John Cresswell, Chief Operating Officer, ITV plc, gave oral evidence.

Jane Lighting, Chief Executive, and Sue Robertson, Director of Corporate Affairs, Five, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 27 March at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 27 March 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies

Rosemary McKenna

Paul Farrelly

Mr Adrian Sanders

Alan Keen

***1. Call TV Quiz Shows: Joint response from Ofcom and ICSTIS to the Committee's Third Report of Session 2006-07***

Draft Report, proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

*[The draft Report was agreed to; the formal minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Fourth Report of the Committee, HC 428.]*

***2. The Committee's programme of work***

*Ordered,* That Alan Keen visit the British Film Institute in a representative capacity.—  
(*The Chairman.*)

*Ordered,* That the Chairman visit the Churchill Museum in a representative capacity.—  
(*The Chairman.*)

[Adjourned till Tuesday 17 April at a quarter to Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 17 April 2007**

**[The Committee met concurrently with the Trade and Industry Committee]**

Members present:

Philip Davies  
Paul Farrelly

Mr Adrian Sanders  
Mr John Whittingdale

The following members of the Trade and Industry Committee were also present, pursuant to Standing Order No. 137A (Select committees: power to work with other committees).

Members present:

Mr Brian Binley  
Mr Lindsay Hoyle  
Mark Hunter

Miss Julie Kirkbride  
Peter Luff

Mr John Whittingdale was called to the Chair.

***Ofcom Annual Plan 2007-08***

Lord Currie, Chairman, and Mr Ed Richards, Chief Executive, Ofcom, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 24 April at quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 24 April 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies

Mr Nigel Evans

Paul Farrelly

Mr Mike Hall

Alan Keen

Rosemary McKenna

Mr Adrian Sanders

Helen Southworth

**1. *The Committee's programme of work***

*Resolved*, That the Committee inquire into ticket touting.—(*The Chairman.*)

**2. *Public service media content***

Mr Mark Thompson, Director General, and Caroline Thomson, Chief Operating Officer, BBC, gave oral evidence.

Iona Jones, Chief Executive, S4C, Bobby Hain, Managing Director, STV, and Dave Rushton, Director, Institute of Local Television, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 1 May at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 1 May 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies

Alan Keen

Mr Paul Farrelly

Mr Adrian Sanders

Mr Mike Hall

**1. *New media and the creative industries***

Draft Report, proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

*[The draft Report was agreed to; the formal minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Fifth Report of the Committee, HC 509].*

[Adjourned till Tuesday 8 May at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 8 May 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson

Philip Davies

Mr Nigel Evans

Paul Farrelly

Mr Mike Hall

Alan Keen

**1. *The Committee's programme of work***

*Ordered*, That Nigel Evans attend in a representative capacity the Discourse on Europe taking place in Brussels on Monday 11 June as part of the “Soul for Europe” initiative.—(*The Chairman.*)

**2. *Public service media content***

Mr Greg Dyke, former Director-General of the BBC, gave oral evidence.

Mr Mike Darcey, Chief Operating Officer, Mr Graham McWilliam, Head of Corporate Communications and Policy, and Mr Martin Le Jeune, Head of Public Affairs, BSkyB, gave oral evidence.

Mr Mark Wood, Chief Executive, ITN, Mr Stephan Shakespeare, Director, Doughty Media Limited, and Mr Anthony Lilley, Chief Executive, Magic Lantern Productions, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 15 May at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 15 May 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson

Philip Davies

Alan Keen

Rosemary McKenna

Mr Adrian Sanders

Helen Southworth

**1. *Tourism***

*Resolved*, That the memorandum submitted by the Guild of Registered Tour Guides be reported to the House.—(*The Chairman.*)

**2. *Public service media content***

Mr Ed Richards, Chief Executive, and Mr Tim Suter, Partner, Content and Standards, Ofcom, gave oral evidence.

**3. *The Committee's programme of work***

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 22 May at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 22 May 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies  
Mr Nigel Evans  
Paul Farrelly  
Mr Mike Hall

Alan Keen  
Mr Adrian Sanders  
Helen Southworth

***The Committee's programme of work***

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Thursday 7 June at half past Ten o'clock.

**Thursday 7 June 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies  
Mr Nigel Evans  
Paul Farrelly  
Mr Mike Hall

Adam Price  
Mr Adrian Sanders  
Helen Southworth

***1. Caring for our collections***

Draft Report, proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

*[The draft Report was agreed to; the formal minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Sixth Report of the Committee, HC 176].*

***2. Women's football***

*Resolved*, That the Chairman write to the FA Council expressing support for the proposal by the FA Women's Football Committee for a temporary dispensation to allow mixed football, on application, for girls in Under 14 teams.—*(Helen Southworth.)*

[Adjourned till Tuesday 12 June at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

*Monday 11 June*

*Nigel Evans attended the Discourse on Europe in Brussels in a representative capacity, in accordance with the decision of the Committee on 8 May 2007.*

**Tuesday 12 June 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies

Mr Nigel Evans

Paul Farrelly

Mr Mike Hall

Alan Keen

Rosemary McKenna

Adam Price

Mr Adrian Sanders

***1. The Committee's programme of work***

*Ordered*, That the Chairman and Mr Nigel Evans visit the O<sub>2</sub> Centre in a representative capacity.—(*The Chairman.*)

***2. Public service media content***

Mr Geoff Metzger, Satellite and Cable Broadcasters Group, and Mr Irwin Stelzer gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Thursday 14 June at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Thursday 14 June 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson

Philip Davies

Paul Farrelly

Alan Keen

Rosemary McKenna

Mr Adrian Sanders

Helen Southworth

***1. Public service media content***

Shaun Woodward MP, Minister for Creative Industries and Tourism, and Jon Zeff, Director of Broadcasting Policy, DCMS, gave oral evidence.

***2. The Committee's programme of work***

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 26 June at a quarter past Ten o'clock.

*Sunday 17 – Friday 22 June 2007*

*Mr John Whittingdale, Janet Anderson, Philip Davies, Mr Nigel Evans, Paul Farrelly, Mr Mike Hall, Alan Keen, Rosemary McKenna, Adam Price, Mr Adrian Sanders and Helen Southworth visited Canada and the USA in connection with the Committee's inquiries into Public Service Media Content, the London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games, and Tourism, in accordance with the decision of the Committee on 27 February.*

**Tuesday 26 June 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies	Adam Price
Paul Farrelly	Mr Adrian Sanders
Alan Keen	Helen Southworth
Rosemary McKenna	

**1. *Caring for our Collections***

*Ordered*, That the Chairman write to the Editor of *The Observer* in connection with the newspaper's breaking of the embargo on coverage of the Committee's report.—(Adam Price.)

**2. *Ticket touting***

Paul Farrelly declared a non-pecuniary interest as Secretary of the All Party Parliamentary Rugby Union Group and Secretary of the Commons and Lords Rugby Union Football Club.

Paul Vaughan, Operations Director, Rugby Football Union, Alex Horne, Managing Director, Wembley National Stadium Ltd and Director of Finance, Football Association, and Nicholas Bitel, Solicitor Representative of The All England Lawn and Tennis & Croquet Club, gave oral evidence.

Harvey Goldsmith CBE, Rob Ballantine, Chairman, Concert Promoters Association, Geoff Ellis, Chief Executive, DF Concerts, Geoff Huckstep, Chairman of the National Arenas Association and Chief Executive, Nottingham Arena, gave oral evidence.

Paul Williamson, European Sales Director, Ticketmaster, Chris Edmonds, Managing Director, Ticketmaster UK, Tom Wright, Chairman, and Jonathan Brown, Secretary, The Society of Ticket Agents and Retailers (STAR), and Nick Blackburn, Managing Director, Seetickets, gave oral evidence.

Alastair McGowan, Head of Public Affairs, and Paul Drake, Head of Contracts and Commercial, eBay UK Ltd, Eric Baker, Founder & Chief Executive, viagogo, Graham Burns, Chairman, and Dominic Titchener-Barrett, Association of Secondary Ticket Agents (ASTA), and Joe Cohen, co-founder and Chief Executive Officer, Seatwave, gave oral evidence.

Shaun Woodward MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Culture, Media & Sport, Rt Hon Margaret Hodge MBE MP, Minister of State for

Industry and the Regions, Department for Trade and Industry, and John Fingleton, Chief Executive, Office of Fair Trading, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Thursday 28 June at half-past Ten o'clock.

**Thursday 28 June 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies

Paul Farrelly

Mr Nigel Evans

Alan Keen

***Self-regulation of the Press***

The Committee discussed informally the Chairman's draft Report.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 3 July at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 3 July 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson	Alan Keen
Philip Davies	Rosemary McKenna
Mr Nigel Evans	Adam Price
Mr Paul Farrelly	Mr Adrian Sanders
Mr Mike Hall	

***1. Self-regulation of the Press***

Draft Report, proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

*[The draft Report was agreed to; the formal minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Seventh Report of the Committee, HC 375].*

***2. The Committee's programme of work***

*Ordered*, That the Chairman and Janet Anderson visit the Press Association in a representative capacity.—(*The Chairman.*)

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit the Edinburgh International Television Festival.—(*The Chairman.*)

***3. BBC Annual Report for 2006-07***

Sir Michael Lyons, Chairman, BBC Trust, Mark Thompson, Director-General, and Zarin Patel, Group Finance Director, BBC, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 10 July at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 10 July 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies  
Paul Farrelly  
Mr Mike Hall

Adam Price  
Mr Adrian Sanders  
Helen Southworth

***1. Work of the Committee***

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 17 July at a quarter past Ten o'clock.

**Tuesday 17 July 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies  
Paul Farrelly  
Mr Mike Hall  
Alan Keen

Adam Price  
Mr Adrian Sanders  
Helen Southworth

***1. Future programme***

The Committee considered this matter.

***2. Public service media content***

The Committee discussed informally the Chairman's draft Report.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 24 July at half past Ten o'clock.

**Tuesday 24 July 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson	Rosemary McKenna
Philip Davies	Adam Price
Paul Farrelly	Mr Adrian Sanders
Mr Mike Hall	Helen Southworth
Alan Keen	

**1. *Future programme***

*Resolved*, That the Committee inquire into on-course horserace betting.—(*Philip Davies.*)

**2. *Public confidence in broadcasting***

Mark Byford, Deputy Director-General, and Caroline Thomson, Chief Operating Officer, BBC, gave oral evidence.

Michael Grade CBE, Executive Chairman, and Simon Shaps, Director of Television, ITV, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 9 October at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 9 October 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies

Paul Farrelly

Mr Mike Hall

Alan Keen

Adam Price

Mr Adrian Sanders

***1. Self-Regulation of the Press***

Draft Special Report (Self-Regulation of the Press: Replies to the Committee's Seventh Report of Session 2006-07), proposed by the Chairman, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

*Resolved*, That the Report be the First Special Report of the Committee to the House.

*Ordered*, That the Chairman do make the Report to the House.

*Ordered*, That the responses by the Government and by the Press Complaints Commission to the Seventh Report from the Committee be appended to the Special Report.

***2. European Commission White Paper on Sport***

*Resolved*, That the Committee take note of the request by the European Scrutiny Committee under Standing Order No. 143(11) for an Opinion on the White Paper on Sport published by the European Commission in July 2007; and that the Committee seek a meeting with the European Commissioner for Education, Culture and Sport to discuss the proposals in the White Paper.—(*The Chairman.*)

[Adjourned till Tuesday 16 October at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Tuesday 16 October 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson

Philip Davies

Nigel Evans

Paul Farrelly

Mr Mike Hall

Alan Keen

Rosemary McKenna

Adam Price

Mr Adrian Sanders

Helen Southworth

**1. *Work of the Committee***

*Resolved*, That the Committee take further oral evidence on the London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games.—(*The Chairman.*)

*Ordered*, That Nigel Evans attend the Discourse on “A Soul for Europe” in Brussels on 19 November 2007 in a representative capacity.—(*The Chairman.*)

*Ordered*, That the Chairman and Philip Davies visit Lingfield Park Racecourse in a representative capacity in connection with the inquiry into on-course horserace betting.—(*The Chairman.*)

**2. *Public Service Media Content***

The Committee discussed informally the Chairman’s draft Report.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 23 October at a quarter past Ten o’clock.]

**Tuesday 23 October 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson

Nigel Evans

Mr Mike Hall

Alan Keen

Mr Adrian Sanders

Helen Southworth

***Tourism***

Colin Dawson, Chief Executive, British Association of Leisure Parks, Piers and Attractions, Robin Broke, Director, Association of Leading Visitor Attractions, Gregor Hutcheon, Assistant Director, Policy and Campaigns, National Trust, and Dr Simon Thurley, Chief Executive, English Heritage, gave oral evidence.

Peter Hampson, Director, British Resorts and Destinations Association, Suzanne Malcolm, Tourism Officer, Oxford City Council, Steve Vinson, Head of Economic and Community Services, Caradon District Council, and Steve Weaver, Chief Executive, Blackpool Council, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Thursday 25 October at a quarter past Ten o'clock.]

**Thursday 25 October 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Janet Anderson  
Philip Davies  
Nigel Evans  
Paul Farrelly

Alan Keen  
Rosemary McKenna  
Mr Adrian Sanders

**1. London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games**

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit the Olympic Park in East London.—(*The Chairman.*)

**2. Responsibilities of the Secretary State at DCMS and 2007 DCMS Departmental Annual Report**

Paul Farrelly declared an interest as Secretary of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Rugby Union.

The Rt. Hon James Purnell MP, Secretary of State, and Mr Jonathan Stephens, Permanent Secretary, DCMS, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 30 October at Ten o'clock.

**Tuesday 30 October 2007**

Members present:

Mr John Whittingdale, in the Chair

Philip Davies  
Nigel Evans  
Paul Farrelly  
Alan Keen

Rosemary McKenna  
Adam Price  
Mr Adrian Sanders  
Helen Southworth

**Public Service Media Content**

The Committee discussed informally the Chairman's draft Report.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 6 November at half-past Four o'clock.