

Public Bill Committees - Scrutiny Unit

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Programme: Immigration Bill

The provisional programme of witnesses for the Immigration Bill Committee has been agreed by its Programming Sub-Committee. The Committee will hear oral evidence all day on Tuesday 20 October and all day on Thursday 22 October. The Committee will further consider the Bill on 27 and 29 October, and 3, 5, 10 and 17 November.

The meetings are open to the public.

Tuesday 20 October at 9.30am in the Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House	
c9.30am until no later than 10.15am	Judith Dennis, Policy Manager, Refugee Council, Mike Kaye, Co-ordinator, Still Human, Still Here (SHSH), and John Wilkes, Chief Executive Officer, Scottish Refugee Council
c10.15am until no later than 10.45am	Professor Sir David Metcalf CBE, Chair, Migration Advisory Committee
c10.45am until no later than 11.25am	Kevin Green, Chief Executive Officer, Recruitment and Employment Confederation, Caroline Robinson, Director of Policy, Focus on Labour Exploitation (FLEX), and John Miley, Chair, National Association of Licensing and Enforcement Officers (NALEO)
Tuesday 20 October at 2.00pm in the Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House	
c2.00pm until no later than 2.30pm	Neil Carberry, Director of Employment and Skills, CBI
c2.30pm until no later than 3.00pm	Lord Green of Deddington, Chair, Harry Mitchell QC, Member of the Advisory Council, and Ms Alanna Thomas, Member of the Advisory Council, MigrationWatch UK
c3.00pm until no later than 3.45pm	Richard Lambert, Chief Executive, National Landlords Association, Eric Leenders, Executive Director for Retail Banking, British Bankers Association, and David Smith, Policy Director, Residential Landlords Association
c3.45pm until no later than 4.15pm	David Snelling, Chief Superintendent, Sutton Borough, Metropolitan Police, and Stephen Gabriel, Strategic Manager, Homes and Communities, Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

c4.15pm until no later than 5.00pm	<p>Ilona Pinter*, Policy Adviser, The Children's Society, Kamena Dorling*, Head of Policy and Programmes, Coram Children's Legal Centre, and Adrian Matthews, Principal Policy Adviser (Asylum and Immigration), Office of the Children's Commissioner</p> <p>* Please note that Ilona Pinter and Kamena Dorling are members of the Refugee Children's Consortium and will also be representing the Consortium's views. The Refugee Children's Consortium (RCC) is a group of NGOs working collaboratively to ensure that the rights and needs of refugee children are promoted, respected and met in accordance with the relevant domestic, regional and international standards.</p>
Thursday 22 October at 11.30am in the Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House	
c11.30am until no later than 1.00pm	Adrian Berry, Chair, Immigration Law Practitioners' Association, Manjit Gill QC, Head of the International Human Rights Law Group, No5 Chambers, Jerome Phelps, Director, Detention Forum, Colin Yeo, Barrister, Garden Court Chambers, and Don Flynn, Director, Migrants' Rights Network
Thursday 22 October at 2.00pm in the Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House	
c2.00pm until no later than 2.45pm	Councillor David Simmonds, Chairman of the Asylum, Migration and Refugee Task Group, Local Government Association, and Paul Greenhalgh, Chair, Asylum Task Force, Association of Directors of Children's Services
c2.45pm until no later than 3.30pm	Peter Grady, Legal Officer, UNHCR, Karl Pike, Refugee Policy and Advocacy Manager, and Andrew Hewett, Development Manager Refugee Services, British Red Cross
c3.30pm until no later than 4.30pm	Saira Grant, Chief Executive, Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants, Steve Symonds, Refugee and Migrant Rights Programme Director, Amnesty, Rebecca Hilsenrath, Interim Chief Executive and Chief Legal Officer and Keith Ashcroft, Senior Managing Lawyer, Equality and Human Rights Commission, and Rachel Robinson, Policy Officer, Liberty

Line by line scrutiny of the Bill (all in Committee Room 14, Palace of Westminster):

Tuesday 27 October 9.30am and 2.00pm
Thursday 29 October 11.30am and 2.00pm
Tuesday 3 November 9.30am and 2.00pm
Thursday 5 November 11.30am and 2.00pm

Tuesday 10 November 9.30am and 2.00pm
Tuesday 17 November 9.30am and 2.00pm

The Committee must complete consideration of the Bill no later than 5.00pm on Tuesday 27 October.

The Bill can be viewed on the Parliamentary website:

http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/bills/cbill/2015-2016/0058/cbill_2015-20160058_en_1.htm

The Explanatory Notes on the Bill are also available:

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/bills/cbill/2015-2016/0058/en/16058en01.htm>

Further details on giving evidence to a public bill committee are available here:

<http://www.parliament.uk/documents/commons/Scrutiny/giving-evidence-to-PBC.pdf>

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