



## **Crossbench Hereditary Peers' By-election**

This note confirms the arrangements for the by-election following the death of Lord Moran.

### ***Electors***

Lord Moran was elected under Standing Order 9(2)(i)(d), among the “28 peers elected by the Crossbench hereditary peers”. Therefore, under Standing Order 10(2), the electorate will be the excepted hereditary peers belonging to the Crossbench group, of whom there are currently 29 eligible to vote. A list is given below.

### ***The candidates***

Those eligible to be candidates are the hereditary peers on the Register maintained by the Clerk of the Parliaments.

The deadline for registration of candidature was 5pm on Friday 21 March. 13 candidates have registered to stand in this by-election, and a list is given below. Candidates were invited to submit a written statement of up to 75 words, and those statements also appear below.

### ***Voting timetable***

Ballot papers will be posted to the electors by Electoral Reform Services on Tuesday 25 March. Completed papers are required to be returned to the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments either by post or in person by **5pm on Tuesday 8 April**. Ballot papers received after this time will not be counted. Electors should use the pre-addressed envelopes that will be sent out along with the ballot papers.

### ***Voting system***

The Alternative Vote System will be used. Voters place the figure 1 in the box next to the name of the candidate they most strongly support, the figure 2 against the next most favoured candidate, and so on. Voters may express as many or as few preferences as they wish. In order to be elected, the successful candidate must receive at least as many votes as all the other candidates put together. In the event of this not happening after first-preference votes have been allocated, the votes of the candidate receiving the lowest number of first-preference votes will be shared out according to the second preference marked on them. This will be repeated until one candidate has at least half of the total number of votes (excluding any eliminated because all preferences have been exhausted).

Ballot papers will be invalidated if:

- any number is used more than once; or
- in the opinion of the Returning Officer (the Clerk of the Parliaments) the ballot paper is illegible or ambiguous.

### ***The results***

The count will be conducted by Electoral Reform Services.

The result will be announced in the House of Lords chamber by the Clerk of the Parliaments at a convenient moment on Wednesday 9 April.

The full results, including the number of first-preference votes cast for each candidate, will be available in the Printed Paper Office as soon as possible after the announcement by the Clerk of the Parliaments. The results will also be published online at [www.parliament.uk](http://www.parliament.uk).

25 March 2014

David Beamish  
*Clerk of the Parliaments*

## List of Electors

*Elected by a party or group and sitting as Crossbench peers*

Aberdare, L.	Lytton, E.
Allenby of Megiddo, V.	Montgomery of Alamein, V.
Baldwin of Bewdley, E.	Northbourne, L.
Brookeborough, V.	Palmer, L.
Chorley, L.	Peel, E.
Clancarty, E.	Rosslyn, E.
Cobbold, L.	St John of Bletso, L.
Craigavon, V.	Saltoun of Abernethy, Ly.
Erroll, E.	Sandwich, E.
Freyberg, L.	Slim, V.
Greenway, L.	Stair, E.
Hylton, L.	Tenby, V.
Listowel, E.	Walpole, L.

*Elected by the whole House and sitting as Crossbench peers*

Colville of Culross, V.  
Falkland, V.  
Mar, C.

## List of Candidates

Albemarle, E.  
Aldington, L.  
Cromwell, L.  
Darling, L.  
Hacking, L.  
Harlech, L.  
Massereene and Ferrard, V. (*L. Oriel*)  
Monson, L.  
Napier and Etrick, L.  
Russell of Liverpool, L.  
Sempill, L.  
Temple of Stowe, E.  
Thurlow, L.

## Candidature statements

### **Albemarle, E.**

As a past Cross-Bencher I'm eager to return to make a positive impact centred on the field of Design development, experiences therein might offer some unconventional and challenging perspectives. In the 20 years abroad I've also served on several charitable foundations linked to the arts including the creation of the British-Memorial-Garden, Hanover-Sq-NYC. At present I divide time between land-management and design/consulting and am passionate about making a constructive and effective contribution as Cross-Bench Peer.

### **Aldington, L.**

Germany, the future of Europe, and Finance are where I believe I could contribute to your Lordships' work.

For 26 years I worked for Deutsche Bank, here and in Germany, and chaired their UK business for 8 years. I remain active in Finance.

Philanthropy, our Cultural Institutions and our churches, also engage me, as does my family and the Kentish soil.

I have never joined a political party and would be honoured to be elected.

### **Cromwell, L.**

Exclusively a Crossbencher

*Areas of potential contribution:*

- *Geographic:* 20+ years business, inter-parliamentary and aid/development involvement with Russia, CIS, Central Asia, Caucasus.
- *NGO/charity:* From hands-on projects overseas (Africa, Asia) to board level. Prince's Trust Midlands Development Committee. Election monitoring (FCO/OSCE), currently organising 100 monitors for Ukraine election.
- *Business:* started/managed businesses, advised exporters and inward investors.
- *Investments and banking:* investments/credit for entrepreneurs and charities.
- *Rural enterprise:* agriculture, property, land (CLA main board 3 yrs).

### **Darling, L.**

I am a chartered surveyor with many years' experience of planning and development, capital taxation and compulsory purchase.

I have given evidence to planning legislation reviews, including the Law Commission Study "Towards a Compulsory Purchase Code" (2003), Crichel Down Rules (2004), Third Party Rights of Appeal (2010) and CLA's report on reforming the compulsory purchase system (2012).

I believe I could contribute to the debate on legislation for future major infrastructure schemes, such as HS2.

### **Hacking, L.**

If elected, I will fully commit myself again to the interests and independence of the Cross Benches and of the whole House.

**Harlech, L.**

I Francis David Baron Harlech, am a farmer, forester, land manager, heavy haulage & plant contractor for some 47 yrs.

Since 1975 I have conducted across the globe – RR&D = Rural Re-construction & Development. Mostly war zones:– water, crops, machinery, homes: as an experienced mechanic who works from dock to warehouse, factory & office, I do unashamedly & quite literally work at the coalface of mankind.

**Massereene and Ferrard, V. (L. Oriel)**

I have spent a lifetime working in the City stockbroking and raising money for small companies. I am a farmer in Yorkshire specialising in arable production. Politically I oppose the EEC controlling our lives and making the majority of our laws for us. An organisation so corrupt that no firm of accountants has been willing to sign off the accounts for many years. I am not a member of UKIP.

**Monson, L.**

Campaigner for two causes –  
curtain on primogeniture  
and police reform in Kenya and elsewhere.

For 35 years, I have been writing features.

PR practitioner and author of two books,

I have organised big events and raised money for charity and business.

Likes: thoughtful infrastructure projects (not HS2) and small government.

Dislikes: jargon, red tape and waste.

Wants: bonfire of repressive regulations.

Political instinct: libertarian.

**Napier and Ettrick, L.**

I have a keen interest in small businesses having one myself, so important to our national economy and encouraging hard work and success. Being born deaf has shaped my life experiences which will have been different to most of my fellow peers. I believe this difference could bring extra balance to the House, at a time when society is more aware of disability issues, so I would be grateful for your support in the election.

**Russell of Liverpool, L.**

I inherited in 1981, took my seat in 1982 and sat as a crossbencher until 1999. I focused actively on health and education and was an officer of the All-Party Drug Misuse Group. I chose not to stand in 1999. I had a demanding headhunting career and lived in Cheshire. Today I am London-based and have the time to seek the privilege of contributing again to the House and to its future.

**Sempill, L.**

It is 15 years since I had the privilege of sitting as a crossbench peer. Devolution saw me join the Scottish Conservatives for whom I served both as a candidate and constituency Chairman. I resigned in 2006 and have since been actively involved in the promotion of Scotland's ancestral heritage.

I now bring greater experience and consider myself better prepared to take on the role of a crossbench peer.

**Temple of Stowe, E.**

I am new to the peerage, but I am keen to serve as an elected peer on the Crossbenches. I have no allegiance to any political party. I am a partner in a firm of accountants which works almost exclusively with charities, social enterprise and the not-for-profit sector. I would welcome the opportunity to help develop and promote this sector.

My other areas of interest are:

Environment

Science and technology

Finance

**Thurlow, L.**

Grew up abroad in diplomatic family. Married (wife currently a nurse, and ex Health Visitor), 4 children.

Career Chartered Surveyor in large firm – emphasis was international commercial property investment/development/funding. Now offer part-time consultancy services.

Live in Oxfordshire and escape to Scotland when we can.

Keen to serve on Crossbenches. I like the independence. Having had a full business career, together with private farming/forestry and generally related rural interests, feel I can contribute with balance.