



## **Crossbench hereditary peers' by-election**

This note confirms arrangements for the by-election following the retirement of Viscount Tenby.

### ***Electors***

Viscount Tenby 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 30 eligible to vote. A list is below.

### ***Candidates***

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

The deadline for registration of candidature was 5 pm on Monday 15 June 2015. 19 candidates registered to stand in this by-election; a list is below. Candidates were invited to submit a written statement of up to 75 words; those statements are also below.

A hustings organised by the Convenor of the Crossbench peers will be held on Tuesday 23 June 2015 at 9.30 am in Committee Room G.

### ***Voting timetable***

Ballot papers will be posted to electors, provided that they have taken the oath of allegiance, by Electoral Reform Services on Wednesday 17 June 2015. Completed papers should be returned to the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments either by post or in person by **5 pm on Monday 6 July 2015**. Ballot papers received after this time will not be counted. Electors should use the pre-addressed envelopes sent 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 cast as many or as few votes as they wish. In order to be elected, the first 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 candidates 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 valid votes.

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.

## **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 (likely to be after oral questions) on Tuesday 7 July 2015.

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

15 June 2015

David Beamish  
*Clerk of the Parliaments*

## List of electors

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

*Those asterisked have not yet taken the oath of allegiance and will receive a ballot paper only if they do so by 6 July 2015.*

Aberdare, L.	Montgomery of Alamein, V.
Baldwin of Bewdley, E.*	Northbourne, L.
Bridges, L.*	Palmer, L.
Brookeborough, V.	Peel, E.
Clancarty, E.	Rosslyn, E.
Craigavon, V.	Russell of Liverpool, L.
Cromwell, L.	St John of Bletso, L.
Erroll, E.	Sandwich, E.
Freyberg, L.	Slim, V.
Greenway, L.	Somerset, D.
Hylton, L.	Stair, E.
Kinnoull, E.	Thurlow, L.
Listowel, E.	Walpole, L.
Lytton, E.	

*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.  
Cadman, L.  
Cawley, L.  
Cork and Orrery, E. (*L. Boyle*)  
Darling, L.  
Hampton, L.  
Harlech, L.  
Hood, V.  
Kilmarnock, L.  
Lloyd-George of Dwyfor, E.  
Muntevans, L.  
Napier and Ettrick, L.  
Oranmore and Browne, L. (*L. Mereworth*)  
Rathcavan, L.  
Rutland, D.  
Sempill, L.  
Sudeley, L.  
Trevethin, L.

## **Candidature statements**

### **Albemarle, E.**

Two decades of experience in the creative industries, much of which was spent abroad. Currently living in Sussex, splitting time between land-management and design consulting. Was a Crossbench peer between 1986–1999. Willing to participate fully in the duties of the House. Able to dedicate time and effort required to fulfil the role. I would value bringing creative experience to committee work and possibly future debates.

### **Aldington, L.**

Europe and finance are my main interests. Background is banking, working for Deutsche Bank for 26 years in UK and Germany; also lived in USA and Hong Kong, and studied in France.

Still active in finance, I assist RA, Oxford, Ditchley and a Chinese Business School, and enjoy the Kentish countryside and a home in SW1.

I have no political allegiance, would be honoured to be elected and my commitments would permit good attendance.

### **Cadman, L.**

[No statement submitted.]

### **Cawley, L.**

My father, a patents lawyer, regularly attended the Lords and introduced two bills on patents. He served on several committees. I am a farmer and landowner in Herefordshire (married to a Spaniard), a member of NFU and CLA (past chairman) and would represent rural concerns in the Welsh Marches. As a church warden I would be interested in matters concerning the Church of England, especially the proposed break of the link between church and state.

### **Cork and Orrery, E. (L. Boyle)**

I am a committed Crossbencher with strong interests in shipping, defence, forestry, disaster relief, financial services and charities.

I served 15 years in the Royal Navy, principally in submarines, following which I ran the international logistics and shipping operations of ED&F Man Sugar Ltd, both intra-EU and globally. I sit on various charity boards. My long-term interests include cathedrals, dendrology and disaster mapping.

Unfortunately, I am unable to attend the hustings due to absence abroad.

### **Darling, L.**

I am not a member of any political party.

I believe that my wide experience in business and the professions, as well as in the charitable and voluntary sectors, can be put to good use if I am elected. In recent years, my work has involved debating, scrutinising, amending and agreeing policy papers and legal documents on planning, enterprise, housing, health and criminal justice—all subjects of proposed bills to be laid before Parliament.

**Hampton, L.**

As a 50 years old photographer/designer with a background in small businesses, I am passionate about education, particularly the role of design and technology in the state sector. I have spent considerable time observing teachers in various state schools. Interested in sport as a means of developing values and discipline through team work. Coaching children's cricket for Chance to Shine charity. Keen to promote the contribution of the creative arts to Britain's economy.

**Harlech, L.**

I stand as a farmer, forester, heavy plant and haulage contractor. Furthermore I work in overseas rural re-development: food, water, power; ex-war zones, sometimes current. My family and I have given over six centuries of service to these islands and care passionately about all creatures on this planet, yes all. I quite unashamedly work and have the experience, quite literally know the "coalface" of mankind, and am always learning: world politics.

**Hood, V.**

On 4th June 2015 first readings were given to each of Lord Marks's Bill to provide rights to cohabitating couples, and Baroness Deech's Bill to limit financial claims in divorce. While my sympathies are more with the first than the second, they together demonstrate the privilege that it would be to serve in the House of Lords, namely the opportunity to influence policy and legislation in the arena of family breakdown.

**Kilmarnock, L.**

Oxford (B.A.) Political Science. Research Assistant, Michael Young's Institute Community Studies, Bethnal Green. St Thomas's Hospital. Qualified and worked as medical practitioner for 40 years. Retired. Well placed as London resident with considerable knowledge and experience to contribute in debates. Current concerns: ethos of public service; provision of mental health services for young; organisation and funding of social and medical care for the elderly; and end of life care. Articulate public speaker.

**Lloyd-George of Dwyfor, E.**

Not politically "orientated" in party terms, I would welcome the responsibility of being a member of the Crossbenches. I have worked from 1970 in the shipping and insurance industries, latterly specialising in political risk insurance, including the TV rights covers for the Moscow and other Olympics commencing with the total loss claims incurred following the Russian invasion of Afghanistan in 1979/80. I now work as a freelance marketing consultant.

**Muntevans, L.**

Succeeded my brother in December 2014.

A shipbroker at Clarksons since Cambridge.

Principal interests: maritime, international business and education.

The likely next Lord Mayor of London for year starting November, when will be focussed on that office.

Chairing HMG's Maritime Growth Study; Chairman, Maritime UK; Younger Brother, Trinity House; Trustee Seafarers, White Ensign Association; President, City of London Sea Cadets.

Would be a privilege to be elected Crossbencher, like my late father-in-law, Lord Moran.

**Napier and Ettrick, L.**

After working for Lloyd's for 15 years, I established a landscaping business in Cambridgeshire in 1999. I help train young people in horticultural skills. I manage woodland and wetland in the Scottish Borders. I was born deaf and have an understanding of disabilities. I have a lifelong interest in politics. I do believe the House remains essential to the functioning of our democracy in a highly diverse society. It would be a privilege to serve.

**Oranmore and Browne, L. (L. Mereworth)**

[No statement submitted.]

**Rathcavan, L.**

I played an active role on the Crossbenches from 1993, when I took my seat, until the reform of the Lords in 1999. I was a member of European Sub-Committee D, which monitored EU directives etc on food, farming, fish and forests. I also took part in the British–Irish Interparliamentary Body. I would like to return to the House and play an active role again.

**Rutland, D.**

[No statement submitted.]

**Sempill, L.**

The call for independence in Scotland will continue, and the recent electoral success by the Scottish Nationalists will need to be matched with a greater and more positive vision for the future of the United Kingdom.

I wish to take an active role in the House, especially in the debates on constitutional reform. I have the necessary experience and knowledge of Scottish politics to contribute to this ongoing constitutional crisis.

**Sudeley, L.**

[No statement submitted.]

**Trevethin, L.**

Barrister since 1985; QC since 2002. My practice includes cases involving negligence/fraud by professionals, particularly re financial services, auditing and law. I acted in the leading case on party funding. If elected I would try to contribute on these issues, among others: abuses in the financial services “industry”; exploitation of vulnerable people pursuant to Gambling Act 2005; party funding; reform of Human Rights Act.