



The Future of the Census

Monday 25 November 2013, 1.30–2.30pm

Room N, Portcullis House, Houses of Parliament

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) is currently holding a public consultation on the best approach to running the Census in the future. Every 10 years, for over 200 years, every household in England and Wales has been required to respond to the Census. Data from this are used by policy makers, planners and researchers across the public and private sectors. However, our population is changing rapidly and the ONS 'Beyond 2011' programme is reviewing different ways of collecting population statistics.

This meeting will provide an overview of the options presented in the consultation and an opportunity to discuss the issues with leading external experts. POST is delighted to collaborate on this event with the House of Commons Library, the Royal Statistical Society, the All Party Parliamentary Group on Statistics and the Office for National Statistics.

Programme

1.30pm Chair's welcome

Andrew Miller MP, Chair of the House of Commons Science and Technology Select Committee

1.35pm Presentations

Alistair Calder and **Pete Benton**, Office for National Statistics

1.45pm Q&A

1.55pm Brief remarks

Professor David Martin

Professor of Geography at Southampton University, Deputy Director of the Economic and Social Research Council UK Data Service and member of the Beyond 2011 independent Working Group

Professor Chris Skinner

Professor of Statistics and Head of Statistics Department, London School of Economics and lead author of the independent review of the methodology of the Beyond 2011 Programme

Piers Elias

Demography and Modelling Officer, Tees Valley Unlimited and co-Chair of the Local Authority Population Statistics Liaison Group

2.05pm Discussion

2.25pm Chair's closing remarks

2.30pm Close

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