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- UK Parliament
- Scottish Parliament
- Northern Ireland Assembly
- Welsh Parliament (Senedd)
- Scottish Government
- Key Non-Parliamentary Papers

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This collection stands unparalleled in its comprehensive coverage of UK Parliamentary documents, including House of Commons Papers, House of Lords Papers, Command Papers, bills and amendments, explanatory notes, and much more.

FEATURES	UK PARLIAMENTARY & GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS (PIO)	OTHER PARLIAMENTARY PRODUCTS
Parliamentary coverage	 Includes UK, Scottish, Welsh, and Northern Ireland documents	 Includes just UK documents
House of Lords Papers	 Coverage from 1901 to current	 Coverage from 1800 to 1910
House of Commons Papers	 Coverage from 2006/07 to current	 Coverage from 18th to 21st centuries
Hansard	 Coverage from 1803 to current, scanned directly from bound volumes	 Coverage from 1803 to 2005, scanned from freely available XML
Command Papers	 Coverage from 1900 to current, but will soon be available back to 1870	 Coverage from 1833 to current
Non-Parliamentary material		
Standing Committee Debates	 Dating back to 1919, rare and exclusive to this collection	
Public General Acts	 Dating back to 1900	
Database updated daily		
Full-color PDFs		
Customers entitled to copies of all subscribed session content		
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FEATURED CONTENT

UK Parliament

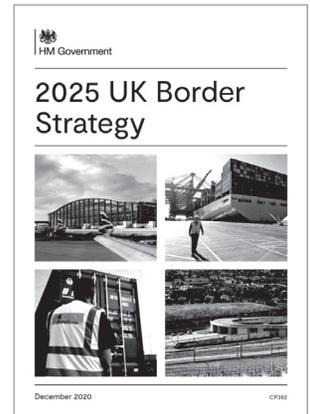
Command Papers: Illuminating the History of Parliament

Dating back to 1919

The Command Papers illustrate a rich history of policy proposals and government reports. The name derives from the formula that was carried on the papers: "Presented to Parliament...by the command of Her (or His) Majesty." These documents contain information or decisions to which the Sovereign wishes to draw Parliament's attention.

The main types of Command Papers within PIO consist of:

- State papers
- White papers
- Government replies to committee reports
- Reports of Royal Commissions
- Reports of major committees
- Annual reports, statistics, etc.
- Some consultative documents (sometimes called Green Papers)

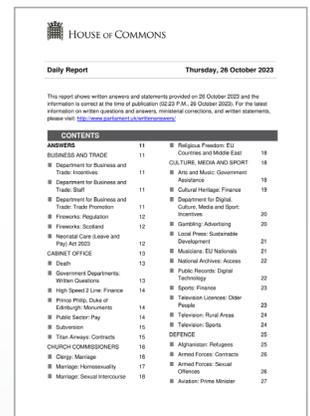


Hansard: The Cornerstone of Parliamentary Debate

House of Commons: Dating back to 1803

House of Lords: Dating back to 1909

The Hansard papers are the official reports of the proceedings of Parliament, published daily. The documents consist of everything said and done in both the House of Commons and the House of Lords, detailing debates, discussions, and conversations on issues that have shaped history. Trace parliamentary debates on essential subjects such as the elimination of slavery in the British Empire, the Parliament Act of 1911, the Suez Canal, the European Union, foreign affairs, colonization, and much more with precision and detail.



ABOUT UK GOVERNING BODIES

Westminster Parliament

The Westminster Parliament, also referred to as the Parliament of the United Kingdom, is the overarching legislative body of the United Kingdom. It consists of the House of Commons, and House of Lords, and the Sovereign (the Crown).

The **House of Commons** is the lower chamber of Parliament, consisting of 650 elected officials who are called Members of Parliament (MPs). **The House of Lords** is the upper chamber of Parliament, whose members are appointed by the Sovereign on the advice of the Prime Minister. The Westminster system is one of the oldest legislatures in global history.

Westminster Parliament content in the database includes:

- House of Commons Papers (*2006 onwards*)
- House of Lords Papers (*1901 onwards*)
- Command Papers (*1900 onwards*)
- House of Commons Bills & Bill Amendments (*1919 onwards*)
- House of Lords Bills & Bill Amendments (*1901 onwards*)
- Explanatory Notes to Bills (*1998 onwards*)
- Standing and Public Bill Committees (*1919 onwards*)
- Public General Acts (PGA) (*1901 onwards*)
- PGA Explanatory Notes (*1999 onwards*)
- Draft Statutory Instruments and Statutory Instruments (*1985 onwards*)
- Amending Statutory Instruments for all UK Acts
- House of Commons Hansard (*Bound: 1803-2007; Daily: 2007 onwards*)
- House of Lords Hansard (*Bound: 1803-2007; Daily: 2007 onwards*)
- Local Acts (*1991 onwards*)
- Church Measures (*1932 onwards*)
- Votes and Proceedings (*2009 onwards*)

Scottish Parliament

The Scottish Parliament, located in Edinburgh, works on a one-house system and consists of 129 members, referred to as Members of the Scottish Parliament (MSPs), who are elected to their positions for five-year terms. The original Parliament of Scotland was consumed by the Parliament of England following the Acts of Union 1707 that formed the Kingdom of Great Britain—however, the Scotland Act 1998 recreated the Scottish Parliament as a separate entity. Some powers are explicitly reserved to the Westminster Parliament, but the Scottish Parliament has authority in all other matters.

All Scottish Parliament material is from Session 3 onwards and includes:

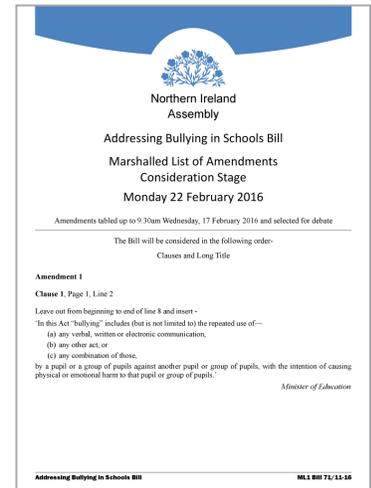
- Parliament Bills
- Explanatory Notes
- Memoranda
- Marshalled Lists
- Parliament Business Bulletins
- Statutory Instruments (*1999 onwards*)
- Parliament Official Reports
- Minutes of Proceedings
- Committee Debate Reports
- Acts
- And more!

Northern Ireland Assembly

The Northern Ireland Assembly, often referred to as Stormont, is the legislature that enacts laws for Northern Ireland and has authority in all matters that are not explicitly reserved to the Westminster Parliament. Located in Belfast, the Northern Ireland Assembly is a one-house system that consists of 90 elected members known as Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs).

All Northern Ireland Assembly content is from Session 3 onwards and includes:

- Assembly Bills
- Explanatory Notes
- Memoranda
- Marshalled Lists
- Notices of Amendments
- Statutory Instruments (*1996 onwards*)
- Groupings
- Committee Papers
- Official Report Hansard
- Acts
- And more!



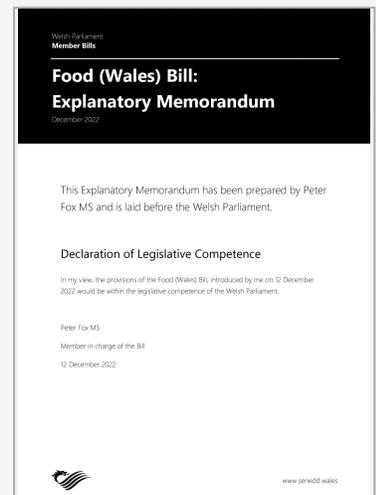
Welsh Parliament (Senedd)

The Welsh Parliament, or Senedd, is the one-house legislature of Wales. The Senedd consists of 60 elected members who are known as Members of the Senedd (MS) and serve five-year terms. With both English and Welsh as its official languages, the Senedd is bilingual and has the authority to enact laws in any areas that are not explicitly reserved to the Westminster Parliament.

Welsh Parliament content in the database includes:

- Measures of the National Assembly (*2008-2011*)
- Mesurau Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru (*2008-2011*)
- Explanatory Notes to Measures (*2008-2011*)
- Nodiadau Esboniadol i'r Mesurau (*2008-2011*)
- Acts of the National Assembly for Wales (*2012 onwards*)
- Deddfau Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru (*2012 ymlaen*)
- Explanatory Notes to Acts (*2012 onwards*)
- Nodiadau Esboniadol i Ddeddfau (*2012 ymlaen*)
- Statutory Instruments (*1999 onwards*)
- Bills (*2011 onwards*)
- Explanatory Memorandum (*2011 onwards*)
- Notice of Amendments (*2011 onwards*)
- Marshalled List of Amendments (*2011 onwards*)
- Groupings of Amendments (*2011 onwards*)
- Committee Reports (Related to Bills) (*2011 onwards*)

Prior to 2011, Acts of the National Assembly for Wales were called Measures.



Scottish Government

The Scottish Government, formerly referred to as the Scottish Executive, is the devolved government of Scotland and is accountable to the Scottish Parliament. Content within this section of the database includes both published and unpublished papers, including annual reports, consultations, and research findings.

Topics covered within these papers include:

- People, Communities, and Living
- Agriculture
- Arts, Heritage, and Recreation
- Education and Skills
- Employment, Jobs, and Careers
- Energy and Fuel
- Environment
- Marine and Fisheries
- Government and Politics
- Health, Well-Being, and Care
- Information and Communication
- Science and Technology
- Business and Industry
- Crime, Law, Justice, and Rights
- Care and Social Work
- Economics and Finance
- Transport and Infrastructure



Key Non-Parliamentary Content

UK Parliamentary & Government Publications (Public Information Online) also contains a wealth of published and unpublished non-Parliamentary papers, such as official departmental reports, technical papers, research reports, annual reports, and statistical research.

These publications come from departments such as:

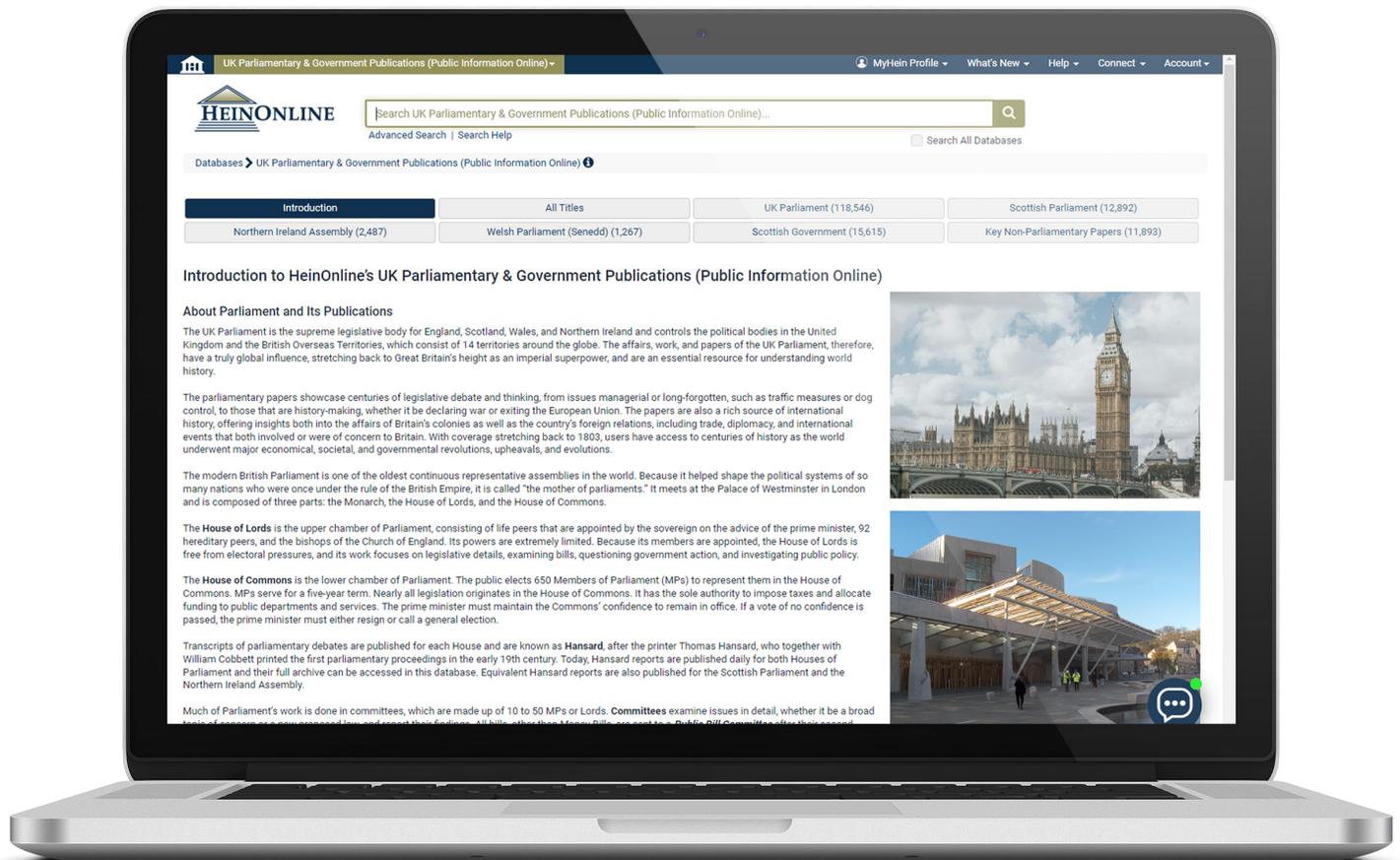
- Audit Commission
- Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities
- Department for Work and Pensions (DWP)
- Health and Safety Executive (HSE)
- Office for National Statistics (ONS)
- Competition Commission
- Department for Transport (DfT)
- Forestry Commission
- Law Commission



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Donna Ravenhill | Managing Director of Dandy Booksellers

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