

Lord Speaker meetings and engagements: April 2015 - December 2015

Date	Activity
14/04/2015	Telephone conversation with HE Keiichi Hayashi, Japanese Ambassador
25/04/2015	National Commemoration of the ANZAC Day Centenary - Cenotaph Service of Thanksgiving and reception - Anzac Day Centenary - Westminster Abbey
12/05/2015	Meeting with Emma Whitlock, Executive Producer, BBC Current Affairs Westminster Abbey Institute - Council of Reference Evensong Service, tour and reception for new Peers - Westminster Abbey
19/05/2015	Seminar: The Appeal of ISIS - British Council Meeting with Gabriela Cuevas Barron, Deputy in the Mexican Parliament
28/05/2015	Queen's Garden Party - Buckingham Palace
29/05/2015	Meeting with Sergio Mattarella, President of Italy
01/06/2015	Meeting with HE Mazen Kemal Homoud, Jordanian Ambassador
02/06/2015	* Launch the House of Lords v House of Commons Tug of War
04/06/2015	Birmingham Radio Interview
08/06/2015	Book launch - The House of Commons, An Anthropology of MPs at Work
09/06/2015	Service for new Parliamentarians
12/06/2015	* Magna Carta Reception and dinner - American Bar Association
15/06/2015	Magna Carta and the Foundation of Liberty event - Runnymede
16/06/2015	Meeting with Sheikh Hasina Wazed, Prime Minister of Bangladesh
18/06/2015	Meeting with the Reverend Andrew Tremlett, Canon of Westminster Abbey
23/06/2015	* Yes2Chess Tournament Memorial Service for Lord Gavron Open University Parliamentary Reception
24/06/2015	* CPA UK/BG IPU event - Ending Violence Against Women and Girls Host roundtable meeting with His Majesty King Abdullah II of Jordan and members of both Houses
25/06/2015	* Parliamentary Diversity & Inclusion awards Meeting with Jim Oatridge OBE, Chair of the CPA Internal Audit Committee
29/06/2015	Meeting with HE Syed Ibne Abbas, Pakistani High Commissioner

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30/06/2015 Memorial service for Lord Molyneux of Killead

06/07/2015 BBC Radio Leicestershire Interview  
Solemn Commemoration for Srebrenica Memorial Day - Westminster Abbey

07/07/2015 7/7 memorial event - Hyde Park and St Paul's Cathedral

08/07/2015 Interview with Kwame Lestrade about the Parliamentary Education Centre

09/07/2015 Host roundtable meeting with the Lord Chief Justice and the President of the Supreme Court and members of the House of Lords  
Meeting with Rona Fairhead, Chairman of the BBC Trust

13/07/2015 Westminster Abbey Summer Reception

14/07/2015 \* BG IPU event - Making Parliament more gender sensitive  
Dementia Friendly Parliament - first anniversary reception

15/07/2015 Press Breakfast - Opening of the Parliamentary Education Centre  
\* Opening Ceremony of the Parliamentary Education Centre

20/07/2015 \* London Mayors' Association AGM

21/07/2015 APPG launch - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Rights  
Reception to mark the 3000th edition of Hansard

22/07/2015 Reception at the FCO - departure of Permanent Secretary

27/07/2015 Meeting with Chief Minister of West Bengal - Buckingham Palace

29/07/2015 Serjeants at Arms Conference - reception and dinner

07/09/2015 Telephone conversation with Professor Meg Russell, UCL Constitution Unit

08/09/2015 Meeting with Leaders of Birmingham Community Groups  
Meeting with Caroline Cecil and Nigel Dudley, Caroline Cecil Associates

09/09/2015 Meeting and dinner with Dr Shirin Chaudhury, Speaker of Bangladesh Parliament and Chair of CPA ExCo

10/09/2015 Meeting with a family of the victims of the Peshawar School massacre  
ActionAid reception

11/09/2015 Meeting with Shirley Osborne MLA, Speaker of the Montserrat Legislative Assembly

14/09/2015 Attend performance of BBC proms

15/09/2015 BG IPU/CPA UK reception to mark the International Day of Democracy

16/09/2015 Dinner at the Institute of Directors  
Meeting with Mr Mauricio Oliva Herrera, Speaker of the Honduran National Congress  
Welcome Home march into Parliament - Operation Gritrock

17/09/2015 Meeting with Chair of National Federation of Women's Institutes

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Women's Institute lecture  
 Meeting with Olga Golodets, Russian Deputy Prime Minister  
 Cosmonauts Exhibition launch - Science Museum  
 13/10/2015 Meeting with HE Nasser Kamel, Egyptian Ambassador  
 14/10/2015 National Day of Korea reception  
 19/10/2015 Theos Annual Lecture  
 20/10/2015 Meeting with Professor Meg Russell, UCL Constitution Unit  
     Meeting with the British Irish Parliamentary Assembly  
     \* Address to Parliament by President Xi Jinping of China, hosted by both Speakers  
     State Banquet in honour of President Xi Jinping of China - Buckingham Palace  
 22/10/2015 Meeting with delegation of Mexican MPs  
     Coptic Feast of Nayrouz - St Margaret's Church  
 27/10/2015 Host roundtable meeting with the President of the Supreme Court and the Lord Chief Justice and members of the House of Lords  
 29/10/2015 Memorial Service for Baroness Rendell of Babergh  
 02/11/2015 \* Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology event  
 03/11/2015 Meeting with the Private Secretary to HM Queen  
 04/11/2015 Dinner with the Indian High Commissioner, Governor of the Bank of England, and former FCO Permanent Secretary and members of the House of Lords  
 05/11/2015 Meeting with HE Princess Lalla Joumala Alaoui, Moroccan Ambassador  
 07/11/2015 \* Launch the Medical Musical Group Friendship Concert  
 08/11/2015 Remembrance Sunday Ceremony  
 09/11/2015 Meeting with FCO Permanent Secretary  
 10/11/2015 Westminster Abbey Institute - Council of Reference  
 11/11/2015 \* Parliamentary Role Models launch event  
 12/11/2015 \* Address to Parliament by PM Narendra Modi of India, hosted by both Speakers  
 16/11/2015 \* Seminar for the League of Jewish Women  
     Lord Mayor's Banquet  
 18/11/2015 Westminster Conversation Seminar - Westminster Abbey  
     Chair Westminster Abbey Institute event  
 19/11/2015 Meeting with Miro Cerar, Slovenian Prime Minister  
 23/11/2015 Meeting with Guillaume Soro, Cote D'Ivoire Speaker  
 24/11/2015 Meeting with Caroline Cecil and Nigel Dudley, Caroline Cecil Associates

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Meeting with portrait artist  
Meeting with Sungham Lim, Korean Deputy Foreign Minister  
Meeting with Mian Rabbani, Chairman of the Pakistan Senate  
25/11/2015 Meeting with Ghanaian parliamentarians  
Meeting with Dr Angus Morrison, Scottish Moderator  
26/11/2015 Meeting with Dr Shirin Chaudhury, Bangladesh Parliament Speaker and Chair of CPA ExCo  
30/11/2015 \* CPA UK Westminster Seminar - Role of the Speaker  
01/12/2015 Meeting with Meg Russell, UCL Constitution Unit  
03/12/2015 US Embassy drinks reception  
04/12/2015 Chair the House of Lords Chamber Event - "Diversity in Parliament"  
07/12/2015 Meet Upton by Chester pupils  
08/12/2015 50th anniversary commemoration of the 1965 Race Relations Act  
Tour of Parliament with Tanya Gold  
Salvation Army Carol service  
10/12/2015 National Day of Japan reception  
14/12/2015 CPA UK - South Asian Women's Parliamentary Caucus event  
15/12/2015 Host South Asian Women's Parliamentary Caucus dinner  
16/12/2015 South Asian Women's Parliamentary Caucus closing session  
Parliamentary Carol Service - Westminster Abbey  
17/12/2015 Westminster Cathedral Christmas Celebration  
21/12/2015 Telephone conversation with Caroline Cecil and Nigel Dudley, Caroline Cecil Associates  
Meeting with Akbar Khan, Secretary General of the CPA

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