

23 May 2016

## Election of the Lord Speaker: list of candidates

Three candidatures for the election of a Lord Speaker were received by the closing date of 19 May 2016. The candidates are:

Lord Cormack  
Lord Fowler  
Baroness Garden of Frognal.

This notice contains:

1. Candidates' election addresses (up to 75 words).
2. Candidates' records of parliamentary service.
3. Candidates' entries in the Register of Lords' Interests as at 19 May 2016.

A "hustings" event organised by the Hansard Society will take place in the Queen's Robing Room at 5 pm on Wednesday 25 May 2016.

Voting will take place in the Queen's Robing Room from 10 am to 8 pm on Wednesday 8 June 2016. The result will be announced in the chamber on Monday 13 June 2016. The new Lord Speaker will formally take office on Thursday 1 September 2016.

Ballot papers will be sent by Electoral Reform Services to members who have requested postal votes on Monday 23 May 2016. Postal ballot papers should be received by the Clerk of the Parliaments' Office no later than 5 pm on Wednesday 8 June 2016. Requests for postal votes may continue to be made in writing to the Journal Office until 5 pm on Thursday 26 May 2016.

The Code of Conduct for the election is annexed to this notice.

DAVID BEAMISH  
*Clerk of the Parliaments*



## **Lord Cormack**

**(proposed by Baroness Boothroyd, seconded by Lord Mackay of Clashfern)**

### ***Candidate's election address***

Acknowledging the supremacy of the House of Commons, I firmly believe in the value of a complementary appointed Second Chamber of experience and expertise, charged with scrutinising legislation and debating major issues. Among my main aims would be the strengthening of relationships with the House of Commons; and explaining the role and purpose of the House of Lords to a much wider audience than that covered by the admirable Peers in Schools scheme.

### ***Record of parliamentary service***

#### *House of Commons*

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| 1970–74 (Feb)   | Member of Parliament for Cannock   |
| 1974 (Feb)–1983 | Member of Parliament for South-West Staffordshire  |
| 1983–2010       | Member of Parliament for South Staffordshire   |
| 1970–2010       | Ecclesiastical Committee   |
| 1970–73         | Parliamentary Private Secretary to Joint Parliamentary Secretaries, Department of Health and Social Security |
| 1979–83         | Education, Science and Arts Committee  |
| 1979–91         | House of Commons Services Committee  |
| 1983–2000       | Member, Panel of Chairs  |
| 1987–2001       | Chairman, Speaker's Advisory Committee on Works of Art   |
| 1987–2001       | Accommodation and Works Committee  |
| 1997            | Modernisation of the House of Commons Committee  |
| 1997–99         | Joint Committee on Parliamentary Privilege   |
| 1997–2000       | Deputy Shadow Leader of the House of Commons and Opposition Spokesman for Constitutional Affairs             |
| 2001            | Joint Committee on Human Rights  |
| 2001–03         | Foreign Affairs Committee  |
| 2001–05         | Joint Committee on Consolidation etc. Bills  |
| 2001–10         | Standing Orders Committee  |
| 2002–05         | House of Commons Commission  |
| 2005–10         | Liaison Committee  |
| 2005–10         | Chairman, Northern Ireland Affairs Committee   |

Reports:

- *Decision to Cease Stormont Prosecutions*, 2005–06
- *Education in Northern Ireland*, 2005–06
- *Organised Crime in Northern Ireland*, 2005–06
- *Draft Protocol for Community-based Restorative Justice Schemes*, 2006–07
- *Tourism in Northern Ireland and its Economic Impact and Benefits*, 2006–07
- *The Northern Ireland Prison Service*, 2007–08
- *Policing and Criminal Justice in Northern Ireland: the Cost of Policing the Past*, 2007–08
- *Cross-border co-operation between the Governments of the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland*, 2008–09
- *The Omagh Bombing: Access to Intelligence*, 2008–09



- *The Report of the Consultative Group on the Past in Northern Ireland*, 2009–10
- *Television Broadcasting in Northern Ireland*, 2009–10
- *The Omagh bombing: some remaining questions*, 2009–10
- *Forensic Science Northern Ireland*, 2009–10
- *A Bill of Rights for Northern Ireland: an interim statement*, 2009–10
- *Progress towards devolution in Northern Ireland during the 2005 Parliament*, 2009–10

#### *House of Lords*

|         |                                    |
|---------|------------------------------------|
| 2010    | Introduced into the House of Lords |
| 2012–15 | Works of Art Committee             |
| 2015–   | Ecclesiastical Committee           |
| 2015–   | EU Home Affairs Sub-Committee      |

#### *Other*

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| 1979–     | Member, History of Parliament Trust                                      |
| 1983–     | Trustee, History of Parliament Trust                                     |
| 2001–     | Chairman, History of Parliament Trust                                    |
| 1997–99   | Executive Committee, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association<br>UK Branch |
| 1999–2000 | Joint vice-chairman, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association<br>UK Branch |
| 2000–03   | Treasurer, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association UK Branch              |
| 1997–2010 | Director, Parliamentary Broadcasting Unit Ltd                            |
| 2001–     | Co-founder and chairman, Campaign for an Effective Second<br>Chamber     |

#### *All-party parliamentary groups*

##### Chairman:

- Founder chairman, Arts and Heritage Group, 1979–2010 (President 2010)
- British–Finnish Group, 1992–2010

##### Vice-chairman:

- Art, Craft and Design in Education Group
- Dalits Group

#### ***Entry in the Register of Lords' Interests***

##### **Category 2: Remunerated employment, office, profession etc.**

Occasional freelance writing

Consultant on Public Affairs to First Magazine, Victoria House, 99–101, Regent Street, London W1B 4EZ

Chairman of Editorial Board and Life President, The House Magazine, 21 Dartmouth Street, London, SW1 9BP

Adviser, Machinery Users' Association, 11 Moorfields Highwalk, London EC2Y 9DP

##### **Category 3: Clients**

Machinery Users' Association, 11 Moorfields Highwalk, London EC2Y 9DP

First Magazine, Victoria House, 99–101, Regent Street, London W1B 4EZ

The House Magazine, 21 Dartmouth Street, London, SW1 9BP



**Category 10: Non-financial interests (c)**

Chairman, History of Parliament Trust

President, Staffordshire Historic Buildings Trust

Trustee, Staffordshire Historic Churches Trust

Vice-President, National Churches Trust

Chairman, William Morris Craft Fellowship Committee, Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings

Chairman, Historic Lincoln Trust

Vice-President, Lincolnshire Churches Trust



## Lord Fowler

(proposed by Baroness Shephard of Northwold, seconded by Lord Patel)

### *Candidate's election address*

The Lord Speaker is and should be the servant of the House. The next few years could be crucial to our future. I strongly support our independence and would want to make our work better known to the public. I hope that my experience both as a back bencher here for the last 15 years and in the Commons as a cabinet minister can help in making our case.

### *Record of parliamentary service*

#### *House of Commons*

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| 1970–74 (Feb)   | Member of Parliament for Nottingham South                                 |
| 1974 (Feb)–2001 | Member of Parliament for Sutton Coldfield                                 |
| 1972–74         | Parliamentary Private Secretary to Minister of State for Northern Ireland |
| 1974–75         | Opposition Spokesperson for Home Affairs                                  |
| 1975–76         | Chief Opposition Spokesperson for Social Services                         |
| 1976–79         | Chief Opposition Spokesperson for Transport                               |
| 1979–81         | Minister of Transport   |
| 1981            | Secretary of State for Transport  |
| 1981–87         | Secretary of State for Health and Social Security                         |
| 1987–90         | Secretary of State for Employment   |
| 1996            | Proposer of loyal address   |
| 1997–98         | Shadow Secretary of State for Environment, Transport and the Regions      |
| 1998–99         | Shadow Home Secretary   |

#### *House of Lords*

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| 2001    | Introduced into the House of Lords   |
| 2005–06 | Chairman, BBC Charter Review Committee<br>Report: <i>The Review of the BBC's Royal Charter, 2005–06</i>  |
| 2007–10 | First chairman, Communications Committee<br>Reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <i>The Chairmanship of the BBC, 2006–07</i></li><li>- <i>The ownership of the news, 2007–08</i></li><li>- <i>Government Communications, 2008–09</i></li><li>- <i>Public service broadcasting: short-term crisis, long-term future?, 2008–09</i></li><li>- <i>The British film and television industries—decline or opportunity?, 2009–10</i></li><li>- <i>Digital switchover of television and radio in the United Kingdom, 2009–10</i></li></ul> |
| 2010–11 | Chairman, HIV and AIDS in the UK Committee<br>Report: <i>No vaccine, no cure: HIV and AIDS in the United Kingdom, 2010–12</i>  |
| 2014    | Proposer of loyal address  |

#### *Other*

|      |                  |
|------|------------------|
| 1979 | Privy counsellor |
|------|------------------|



*All-party parliamentary groups*

Chairman:

- Royal Television Society Group, 2013–14

Vice-chairman:

- HIV and AIDS Group

***Entry in the Register of Lords' Interests***

**Category 1: Directorships**

Non-executive Director, ABTA (travel association)

**Category 2: Remunerated employment, office, profession etc.**

Royalties from Biteback Publishing for book "Aids: don't die of prejudice" (2014)

Journalism and Authorship

**Category 5: Land and property**

Joint ownership of one-bedroom flat in Fulham, London SW6 for family use and occasional letting

**Category 8: Gifts, benefits and hospitality**

Guest of the Conservative Middle East Council for their Gala Lunch, 4 June 2015

(speaker, Boris Johnson)

**Category 10: Non-financial interests (a)**

Director, International Aids Vaccine Initiative, New York, USA

**Category 10: Non-financial interests (e)**

Chairman, Hansard Society (interest ceased, 20 April 2016)



## **Baroness Garden of Frognal**

**(proposed by Baroness Neuberger, seconded by Baroness Northover)**

### *Candidate's election address*

As Lord Speaker I would

- promote the standards, reputation and effectiveness of the House
- expand outreach programmes with the Education Centre, engaging young people and the public in the value of our work
- represent all parts of the House, internally, with the Commons and with other peoples and parliaments.

My experience in education, administration, in representational and welfare work will stand me in good stead for the role.

### *Record of parliamentary service*

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| 2007    | Introduced into the House of Lords                                    |
| 2008–10 | Liberal Democrat Whip   |
| 2008–09 | Liberal Democrat Spokesperson for Children, Schools and Families      |
| 2009–10 | Liberal Democrat Spokesperson for Innovation, Universities and Skills |
| 2010–13 | Baroness in Waiting (HM Household) and Government Whip                |
| 2010–13 | Government Spokesperson for Business, Innovation and Skills           |
| 2010–13 | Government Spokesperson for Education                                 |
| 2010–12 | Government Spokesperson for Culture, Olympics, Media and Sport        |
| 2012–13 | Government Spokesperson for Defence                                   |
| 2014–15 | Baroness in Waiting (HM Household) and Government Whip                |
| 2014–15 | Government Spokesperson for Education                                 |
| 2014–15 | Government Spokesperson for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs       |
| 2014–15 | Government Spokesperson for Women and Equalities                      |
| 2015–   | Deputy Chairman of Committees   |

### *Select committees*

|         |                                   |
|---------|-----------------------------------|
| 2008–10 | EU Sub-Committee F (Home Affairs) |
| 2014    | Digital Skills Committee          |
| 2015–   | Liaison Committee                 |

### *Other*

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| 2008– | Member, Lord Speaker's Peers in Schools programme |
| 2015  | Privy counsellor                                  |

### *Entry in the Register of Lords' Interests*

#### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (d)**

Vice President, Liberal International British Group

#### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (e)**

Member of Council, The Air League



## **Annex: Code of Conduct**

1. Ballot papers will not indicate any qualification or reason why a candidate should be elected.
2. Candidates may not offer hospitality, entertainment or financial inducements to electors intended to influence their votes or likely to have that effect.
3. Candidates may not engage in any activity intended or likely to discredit other candidates in the election.
4. Candidates may not solicit votes near the room where the election is taking place.
5. If the Clerk of the Parliaments suspects, on reasonable grounds, that some material irregularity or improper conduct may have occurred in the electoral process, he may refer the matter to the Committee for Privileges and Conduct. The committee may, if it thinks fit, recommend the disqualification of a successful candidate if their election appears to have been influenced by material irregularity or improper conduct.
6. In this code of conduct, “candidate” includes an agent or supporter acting on behalf of the candidate.

