



## BRIEFING PAPER

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# Queens Speech: Proposers of the Loyal Address since 1900

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Following the State Opening the Government's legislative programme, as presented in the Queen's Speech, is debated by both Houses.

### House of Commons

The Debate on the Address is the first debate of the new parliamentary session and normally lasts for five to six days. The motion is phrased as: "An Humble Address" to Her Majesty thanking her for her gracious speech. The task of moving the motion is regarded as an honour and is given to two government backbenchers. They are normally a contrasting pair with very different constituencies, one a relative newcomer and the other a long-serving Member. By convention, their speeches are not contentious and contain both humour and flattering references to their constituencies.

This year's proposers of the Loyal Address were Lee Rowley and Sarah Newton:

[HC Deb 14 Oct 2019 cc7-12](#)

Previous debates on the Address can be read in Hansard, the Official Report of the House of Commons, by choosing the relevant date from [Hansard online](#).

The Commons Library Briefing Paper, [Queen's Speech 2019](#), identifies issues and bills that may appear in the Queen's Speech on 14 October 2019 or require legislation in the forthcoming Session.

### House of Lords

The House of Lords also move a motion that a humble address be presented to the Queen as an expression of thanks for the "Most Gracious Speech". Movers and Seconders of the motion since 1996 are listed in the Lords Library briefing: [Queen's Speech: Movers and Seconders](#).

Lords briefings identifying key bills that may be announced in the Queen's Speech are structured around the subjects chosen for debate during the five days debate on the Loyal Address:

[Queen's Speech: Debate in the House of Lords Days 1 and 2](#)

[Queen's Speech: Debate in the House of Lords Day 3](#)

[Queen's Speech: Debate in the House of Lords Day 4](#)

[Queen's Speech: Debate in the House of Lords Day 5](#)

## Queen's Speech - proposers of the Loyal Address since 1900

Date	Mover	Constituency	Seconder	Constituency
14-Oct-19	<a href="#">Lee Rowley</a>	North East Derbyshire	<a href="#">Sarah Newton</a>	Truro and Falmouth
21-Jun-17	<a href="#">Richard Benyon</a>	Newbury	<a href="#">Kwasi Kwarteng</a>	Spelthorne
18-May-16	<a href="#">Caroline Spelman</a>	Meriden	<a href="#">Dr Phillip Lee</a>	Bracknell
27-May-15	<a href="#">Simon Burns</a>	Chelmsford	<a href="#">Sheryll Murray</a>	South East Cornwall
04-Jun-14	Penny Mordaunt	Portsmouth North	Annette Brooke	Mid Dorset and North Poole
08-May-13	Peter Luff	Mid Worcestershire	Stephen Williams	Bristol West
09-May-12	Nadhim Zahawi	Stratford-on-Avon	Malcolm Bruce	Gordon
25-May-10	Rt Hon Peter Lilley	Hitchin and Harpenden	Don Foster	Bath
18-Nov-09	Rt Hon Frank Dobson	Holborn and St. Pancras	Emily Thornberry	Islington, South and Finsbury
03-Dec-08	Rt Hon Tom Clarke	Coatbridge, Chryston & Bellshill	Liz Blackman	Erewash
06-Nov-07	Richard Caborn	Sheffield Central	Dawn Butler	Brent South
15-Nov-06	Alun Michael	Cardiff, South and Penarth	Rosemary McKenna	Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and
17-May-05	Rt Hon Kevin Barron	Rother Valley	Vera Baird	Redcar
23-Nov-04	George Howarth	Knowsley North & Sefton East	Meg Munn	Sheffield, Heeley, Labour
26-Nov-03	John McFall	Dumbarton	Parmjit Dhanda	Gloucester
13-Nov-02	George Foulkes	Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley	Ms Oona King	Bethnal Green and Bow
20-Jun-01	Barry Sheerman	Huddersfield	David Lammy	Tottenham
06-Dec-00	Sir John Morris	Aberavon	Anne Begg	Aberdeen South
17-Nov-99	Rt Hon Dr Jack Cunningham	Copeland	Ivan Lewis	Bury South
24-Nov-98	Joe Ashton	Bassetlaw	Dr Lynda Clark	Edinburgh Pentlands
14-May-97	Rt Hon Gerald Kaufman	Manchester Gorton	Chris Mullin	Sunderland South
23-Oct-96	Rt Hon Sir Norman Fowler	Sutton Coldfield	Barry Field	Isle of Wight
15-Nov-95	Rt Hon Douglas Hurd	Witney	Gyles Brandreth	City of Chester
16-Nov-94	Bob Dunn	Dartford	Raymond Robertson	Aberdeen South
18-Nov-93	Sir Geoffrey Johnson-Smith	Wealden	Peter Thurnham	Bolton North East
06-May-92	Rt Hon Kenneth Baker	Mole Valley	Andrew Mitchell	Gedling
31-Oct-91	Rt Hon Peter Walker	Worcester	Jonathan Aitken	Thanet South
07-Nov-90	Rt Hon George Younger	Ayr	Jeremy Hanley	Richmond & Bames
21-Nov-89	Ian Gow	Eastbourne	David Sumberg	Bury South
22-Nov-88	Sir Giles Shaw	Pudsey	John Maples	Lewisham West
25-Jun-87	Winston Churchill	Davyhulme	Andy Stewart	Sherwood
12-Nov-86	Geoffrey Rippon	Hexham	Steven Norris	Oxford East
06-Nov-85	Sir Reginald Eyre	Birmingham Hall Green	Gerald Malone	Aberdeen South
06-Nov-84	Paul Bryan	Boothferry	Richard Needham	North Wiltshire
22-Jun-83	Sir Peter Mills	Torridge & West Devon	Malcolm Thornton	Crosby
03-Nov-82	Sir John Eden	Bournemouth West	Michael Ancram	Edinburgh South
04-Nov-81	Michael Shaw	Scarborough	Bob Dunn	Dartford
20-Nov-80	William van Straubenzee	Wokingham	John Lee	Nelson and Colne
15-May-79	Sir William Elliott	Newcastle-upon-Tyne North	Kenneth Baker	St Marylebone
01-Nov-78	Cledwyn Hughes	Anglesey	Ian Wigglesworth	Thornaby
03-Nov-77	Tom Bradley	Leicester East	Robin Corbett	Hemel Hempstead
24-Nov-76	J P W Mallalieu	Huddersfield East	John Watkinson	West Gloucestershire
19-Nov-75	Caerwyn E Roderick	Brecon & Radnor	Ann Taylor*	Bolton West
29-Oct-74	David Weitzman	Hackney North & Stoke Newington	Robin Cook*	Edinburgh Central
12-Mar-74	Ray Carter	Birmingham Northfield	Neil Kinnock*	Bedwelty
30-Oct-73	Wilfred Proudfoot	Brighouse & Spenborough	Gerard Vaughan	Reading
31-Oct-72	Antony Buck	Colchester	Iain Sproat	Aberdeen South
02-Nov-71	John Nott	St Ives	Kenneth Clarke	Rushcliffe
02-Jul-70	Peter Blaker	Blackpool South	Jill Knight*	Birmingham Edgbaston
28-Oct-69	John P Mackintosh	Berwick & E Lothian	Joyce Butler*	Wood Green
30-Oct-68	Donald Chapman	Birmingham Northfield	Arthur Probert	Aberdare
31-Oct-67	Hugh Delargy	Thurrock	Jack Ashley	Stoke-on-Trent South
21-Apr-66	Maurice Edelman	Coventry North	Shirley Summerskill*	Halifax
09-Nov-65	Harold Lever	Manchester Cheetham	Wickham Harding	Woolwich West
03-Nov-64	Mr E Fernyhough	Jarrow	Gregor Mackenzie	Rutherglen
12-Nov-63	Charles Curran	Uxbridge	Patricia McLaughlin*	Belfast West
30-Oct-62	Mr W T Aitken	Bury St Edmunds	Philip Hocking	Coventry South
31-Oct-61	Sir Roland Robinson	Blackpool South	Mr J M L Prior	Lowestoft
01-Nov-60	Maurice Macmillan	Halifax	Sir Richard Glyn	North Dorset
27-Oct-59	Arthur Tiley	Bradford West	Edward Gardner	Billericay
28-Oct-58	Peter Thomas	Conway	David Rice	Eastleigh
05-Nov-57	Lady Tweedsmuir	Aberdeen South	Geoffrey Rippon	Norwich South
06-Nov-56	Mr W M F Vane	Westmorland	John Harvey	Walthamstow East
09-Jun-55	Mr J E S Simon	Middlesbrough West	Brian Harrison	Maldon
30-Nov-54	Mr J N Browne	Glasgow Govan	Denys Bullard	Norfolk SW
03-Nov-53	Mr John Morrison	Salisbury	Edith Pitt*	Birmingham, Edgbaston
04-Nov-52	Major W. J. Anstruther-Gray	Berwick & East Lothian	Mr H. A. Price	Lewisham West
06-Nov-51	Mr Douglas Dodds-Parker	Banbury	Mr Anthony Barber*	Doncaster

31-Oct-50	Mr Clifford Kenyon	Chorley	Mr James Johnson	Rugby
06-Mar-49	Mr Sidney Dye	Norfolk, South-West	Miss Alice Bacon	Leeds, North-East
26-Oct-48	Mr Herbert Bowden	Leicester, South	Mr Daniel West	Ponypool
21-Oct-47	Mr William Blyton	Houghton-le-Spring	Miss Margaret Herbison	Lanark, North
12-Nov-46	Mr Henry Osborne	Birmingham, Acock's Green	Mr James Hoy	Leith
16-Aug-45	Major John Freeman*	Watford	Mr Frederick Willey*	Sunderland
29-Nov-44	Captain W.P. Sidney*	Chelsea	Mr Thomas Fraser	Hamilton
24-Nov-43	Commander Brabner	Hythe	Mr George Griffiths	Hemsworth
11-Nov-42	Mr A. G. Walkden	Bristol, South	Mr George Thorneycroft	Stafford
12-Nov-41	Sir Richard Pilkington	Widnes	Mr Fred Marshall	Sheffield, Brightside
21-Nov-40	Wing-Comdr Sir Robert Grant-	St Pancras, North	Mr Charles Key	Boy and Bromley
28-Nov-39	Captain Arthur Marsden	Chertsey, Surrey	Captain Frank Medicott	East Norfolk
08-Nov-38	Mr Maurice Robert Hely-	Hastings	Mr (Sydney) Frank Markham	South Nottingham
26-Oct-37	Captain Harold Balfour	Isle of Thanet, Kent	Mr William Mabane	Huddersfield
03-Nov-36	Miss Florence Gertrude	Dundee	Mr Harold George Nicolson	Leicester, West
03-Dec-35	Mr William Wavell Wakefield*	Swindon	Sir Charles Barrie	Southampton
20-Nov-34	Mr Noel Lindsay	Bristol South	Lieut-Colonel Charles Iain Kerr	Montrose Burghs
21-Nov-33	Mr Ronald Hibbert Cross	Rossendale	Mr Kenneth Lindsay*	Kilmarnock
22-Nov-32	Mr Roy Bird	Skipton, West Riding, Yorkshire	Mr (Edward) Clement Davies	Montgomeryshire
10-Nov-31	Mr Geoffrey Lloyd*	Birmingham, Ladywood	Mr Abraham John Flint *	Derbyshire, Ilkeston
28-Oct-30	Mr Henry Charles Charleton	South Leeds	Mr William Benjamin Taylor	South West Norfolk
02-Jul-29	Mr Henry Snell	Woolwich East	Mr Cecil Henry Wilson	Attercliffe, Sheffield
06-Nov-28	Major Albert James Edmondson	Banbury, Oxfordshire	Mr Alfred Roger Jephcott	Yardley, Birmingham
08-Feb-27	Mr Oliver Stanley	Westmoreland	Major James Orr MacAndrew	South Ayrshire, Ayr & Bute
02-Feb-26	Mr Gerald Hurst	Moss Side, Manchester	Major Charles William Mackay	Pembrokeshire
09-Dec-24	Mr (Robert) Geoffrey Ellis	Wakefield	Lord David Robert Balniel	Lonsdale, Lancashire
15-Jan-24	Mr Reginald Mitchell Banks	Swindon, Wiltshire	Lord Allen Algernon Bathurst	Southampton
23-Nov-22	Mr William Brass *	Clitheroe, Lancashire	Captain Henry David Margesson*	Upton, West Ham
14-Dec-21	Lieut-Colonel Sir Samuel Hoare	Chelsea	Rt Hon. George Nicoll Barnes	Gorbals, Glasgow
15-Feb-21	Mr John Colin Campbell	Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire	Mr Henry Fildes	Stockport
10-Feb-20	Lieut-Colonel Hon. Sidney Peel*	Uxbridge, Middlesex	Mr William James Uglow	Central Hackney
11-Feb-19	Colonel Sir Rhys Williams	Banbury, Oxfordshire	Lieut-Commander Percy Dean*	Blackburn
12-Feb-18	Major-General Sir Henry Cecil	North Westmorland	Lieutenant Hon. Alexander Shaw	Kilmarnock Burghs
07-Feb-17	Mr Charles Albert McCurdy	Northampton	Admiral of the Fleet Hon. Sir	Portsmouth
15-Feb-16	Mr James Ian MacPherson	Ross & Cromarty, Inverness	Lieutenant-Colonel Francis	Howdenshire, East Riding of
11-Nov-14	Sir Robert Price	East Norfolk	Mr William Middlebrook	South Leeds
10-Feb-14	Mr Walter Francis Roch	Pembrokeshire	Mr Gorden Hewart	Leicester
10-Mar-13	Mr Godfrey Pattison Collins	Greenock	Hon. Francis McLaren	Spalding, Lincolnshire
14-Feb-12	Sir Harry Calvert Williams Verney	North Buckinghamshire	Mr William Glynne Charles	Kilmarnock Burghs
06-Feb-11	Mr Harold Trevor Baker	Accrington, N. E. Lancashire	Mr Thomas Wiles	South Islington
21-Feb-10	Mr Percy Holden Illingworth	Shiopley, West Riding Yorkshire	Mr Charles Edward Price	Central Edinburgh
16-Feb-09	Mr Francis Edward Newman	Devizes, Wiltshire	Mr William Wedgwood Benn	St. George, Tower Hamlet
29-Jan-08	Mr Rudolf Lehmann	Leicester, Market Harborough	Sir W. H. Davies	Bristol South
12-Feb-07	Mr James Tomkinson	Cheshire, Crewe	Mr Adam Rolland Rainy	Kilmarnock Burghs
19-Feb-06	Sir Willoughby Hyett Dickinson*	St Pancras, North	Sir Francis Dyke Acland*	Yorkshire, Richmond
14-Feb-05	Mr William Mount	Berkshire, Newbury	Mr Samuel Roberts	Sheffield, Ecclesall
02-Feb-04	Mr Laurence Hardy	Kent, Ashford	Sir Walter Richard Plummer	Newcastle-on-Tyne
17-Feb-03	Colonel John Gretton	Derbyshire South	Captain Hon. Ronald Henry Grevill	Bradford, East
16-Jan-02	Colonel Harry McCalmont	Cambridgeshire, Newmarket	Sir Edgar Vincent	Exeter
14-Feb-01	Mr Henry William Forster	Kent, Sevenoaks	Commander Sir Andrew Agnew	Edinburgh, South
30-Jan-00	Captain Ernest George Pretyman	Suffolk, Woodbridge	Herbert Pike Pease	Darlington

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\* Also Maiden Speech

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