

# Political Affairs Brief

*A daily summary of political events affecting the Jewish Community*

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## Home Affairs

### UK Parliamentary Questions

#### Charities

**Mr Andrew Smith:** To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office when he expects to bring forward secondary legislation to enable charitable incorporated organisations to be incorporated under the provisions of the Charities Act 2006. [25340]

**Mr Hurd:** Our aim is to get the necessary supporting legislation before Parliament for debate early next year with a view to the first charitable incorporated organisations being established from spring 2011. I have yet to agree the implementation timetable, but the availability of the charitable incorporated organisation model for existing charities will have to be phased in over time to help manage the expected demand.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmhansrd/cm101122/text/101122w0006.htm#10112252000017>

#### Food: Labelling

**Mr Andrew Turner:** To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs what estimate she has made of the proportion of (a) imported and (b) domestic (i) beef, (ii) sheep and lamb, (iii) goat and kid and (iv) chicken which is (A) labelled in respect of the method of slaughter and (B) not so labelled at the point of sale. [25168]

**Mr Paice** [*holding answer 19 November 2010*]: No such estimate has been made by DEFRA as there is no statutory obligation to indicate the method of slaughter on meat labels.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmhansrd/cm101122/text/101122w0001.htm#1011229000027>

#### Livestock: Slaughterhouses

**Mr Andrew Turner:** To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs what estimate she has made of the proportion of (a) cattle, (b) sheep and lambs, (c) goats and kids and (d) chickens slaughtered for meat which was (i) stunned and slaughtered using halal methods, (ii) not stunned and slaughtered using halal methods and (iii) slaughtered by other methods in the latest period for which figures are available. [24982]

**Mr Paice** [*holding answer 18 November 2010*]: The most recent data on halal slaughter was published in March 2004 by the Meat Hygiene Service in its Animal

Welfare Review. This reported data was collected through a survey of meat plants which took place between 1 and 7 September 2003. The following table shows the number of animals killed for the production of halal meat during that one week period.

Species	Not stunned	Stunned	
		Pre cut	Post cut
Cattle	0	850	6
Young lambs	5,141	103,944	0
Other sheep	11,454	19,230	0
Goats	62	12	0
Broilers	134,289	1,898,689	0
Hens	11,495	92,296	0
Ducks	36	0	0

More recent data collected by the EU Dialrel project, see:

<http://www.dialrel.eu/images/factsheet-assesment-practices.pdf> shows that for halal slaughter in the UK, 75% of cattle, 93% of sheep and 100% of poultry are stunned before slaughter.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmhansrd/cm101122/text/101122w0001.htm#1011229000032>

### Muslim Brotherhood

**Mr Offord:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what recent reports he has received of potential links between the UK offices of the Muslim Brotherhood and (a) Hamas, (b) Islamic Jihad and (c) other organisations. [24575]

**Alistair Burt:** We are aware of reports which suggest that there are significant historic linkages between the Muslim Brotherhood, its overseas affiliates and Hamas. Historically the Brotherhood has presented Hamas as a legitimate resistance movement for the Palestinian people.

The Muslim Association of Britain (MAB) are the Brotherhood's representative in the UK. MAB in the UK publically rejects violence and state that they work for wider Muslim integration into British society.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmhansrd/cm101122/text/101122w0003.htm#10112234000037>

## Energy and Climate Change Select Committee

### The effect on energy usage of extending British Summer Time

(evidence given at meeting of 28 October but Hansard only published today)

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmselect/cmenergy/c562-i/c56201.htm>

## Home Office

### Government sets the first annual limit for non-European workers

... To control those coming here, the government has committed to:

- introducing an annual limit of 21,700 for those coming into the UK under the skilled and highly skilled routes – 20,700 under the skilled route and 1,000 under the new 'exceptional talent' route

- raising to £40,000 the minimum salary for those coming through the intra-company transfer route for more than 12 months
- restricting the highly skilled tier of the PBS to all but entrepreneurs, investors and the exceptionally talented
- requiring occupations in tier two to be at graduate level ...

The new rules will take effect from April 2011. Applicants under tier two will still be required to apply for a visa from the UK Border Agency through the PBS, will have to be of graduate level, be sponsored by an employer and will be awarded points based on scarcity of skills and salary. However they will be competing against other applicants for a visa to enter the UK and in months when the limit is oversubscribed those with the most points will qualify for one of the certificates of sponsorship available each month. ...

**Note: The tier 2 category includes Ministers of Religion, so, depending on their qualification, it is possible that this announcement could impact upon the employment of Rabbonim from outwith the European Economic Area.**

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/media-centre/press-releases/non-european-workers>

## Communities and Local Government

### Eric Pickles celebrates faiths working together in Inter Faith Week

... Inter Faith Week is about locally focussed events, organised by and for people living near one another. Events are taking place around the country and include shared meals, arts festivals and exchange visits to places of worship. Eric Pickles will also host a national reception ... providing an opportunity for Government ministers, faith leaders and local activists to forge new links and consolidate areas of common ground. Speaking at the event, Mr Pickles is expected to recognise the importance of inter faith cooperation and encourage as many people as possible to get involved in events in their area.

Eric Pickles said: "... "Collaboration builds stronger understanding and helps people to concentrate on the values they hold in common - without ever losing their unique strengths." As well as aiming to strengthen bonds between people of different faiths, Inter Faith Week also seeks to increase understanding and collaboration between people of religious and non-religious belief. ...

**To read the full press release see**

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/news/corporate/1777176>

## Welsh Assembly Government

### Communities unite for Inter Faith Week

Communities across Wales are holding events this week to promote understanding of different faiths and strengthen the relationship between people from religious and non-religious backgrounds. The activities are part of national Inter Faith Week and are supported with £5000 funding from the Welsh Assembly Government. ...

Wales' Social Justice Minister Carl Sargeant said, "Wales is a wonderfully diverse country, made up of people from different backgrounds, traditions and faiths. It is important to understand these differences, to appreciate what makes us unique and likewise to realise the common qualities that we share. ...

**To read the full press release see**

<http://wales.gov.uk/newsroom/socialjustice/2010/101123interfaith/?lang=en>

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# Holocaust

## UK Parliamentary Question

### Holocaust Memorial Day

**Mr Amess:** To ask the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government what progress has been made on arrangements to mark Holocaust Memorial Day in 2011; and if he will make a statement. [25084]

**Andrew Stunell:** Holocaust Memorial Day will take place on 27 January 2011 across the United Kingdom, including a national event in central London. The theme for 2011 will be Untold Stories. Millions of stories of individuals and communities have been lost through the Holocaust, Nazi persecution and subsequent genocides. Events will focus on inspiring participants to tell and listen to stories in our own communities today.

Almost 800 events were held to mark Holocaust Memorial Day 2010, and it is expected that there will be an increase in the number of events for 2011. These are listed on the Holocaust Memorial Day website on a daily basis. The Holocaust Memorial Day Trust, which is supported by my Department, has received thousands of requests for free materials to help mark the Day, including from teachers, librarians, local authorities, museums, trade unions, arts organisations, youth groups and prisons.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmhansrd/cm101122/text/101122w0002.htm#10112230000009>

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# Israel

## UK Parliamentary Questions

### Middle East

**Mr Amess:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, who he met during his recent visit to Israel and the Palestinian territories, if he will place in the Library copies of material supplied to him by the Government of Israel and the Palestinian Authority during the visit; and if he will make a statement. [24946]

**Alistair Burt:** My right hon. Friend the Foreign Secretary met a range of key players during his recent visit including the Israeli President, Prime Minister, Foreign Minister and Defence Minister and the Palestinian Prime Minister and Foreign Minister. He also visited the parents of Gilad Shalit and met Palestinians involved in non-violent resistance.

He did not receive any written material from either the Government of Israel or the Palestinian Authority during his visit to the region.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmhansrd/cm101122/text/101122w0003.htm#10112234000034>

### Middle East: Armed Conflict

**Mr Amess:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what steps he (a) is taking and (b) plans to take in the next 12 months with his international counterparts to ensure that Hamas accepts the Quartet Principles and joins peace negotiations; and if he will make a statement. [24869]

**Alistair Burt:** Hamas' ideology of violence directly undermines prospects for peace in the region. We will continue to call on Hamas, with international partners, to take immediate and concrete steps towards the Quartet principles and to release Gilad Shalit unconditionally.

**Mr Amess:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what steps he (a) is taking and (b) plans to take to promote (i) Palestinian reconciliation and (ii) full acceptance of the Quartet Principles by all parties in the region; and if he will make a statement. [24870]

**Alistair Burt:** The UK supports President Abbas' efforts on Palestinian reconciliation which is the key component in reuniting the Gaza strip and West Bank under one authority. But this needs to be a Palestinian-led process and in accordance with Palestinian law.

We have made it consistently clear that we will engage any Palestinian Government that shows through their words and actions that they are committed to the Quartet Principles. President Abbas and Prime Minister Fayyad's government clearly meets this commitment and has made huge progress in reforming and building the institutions of state.

**Mr Amess:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what recent discussions he has had with the Government of Israel on security threats from Gaza; and if he will make a statement. [24871]

**Alistair Burt:** My right hon. Friend the Foreign Secretary met Prime Minister Netanyahu and Foreign Minister Lieberman during his visit to Israel. They discussed a number of Middle East Peace Process related issues including security concerns.

We recognise Israel's concerns regarding Hamas, who continue to pursue an ideology of violence which directly undermines prospects for peace in the region.

We call on Hamas to take immediate and concrete steps towards the Quartet principles and to release Gilad Shalit unconditionally.

**Mr Amess:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart during his recent visit to Israel on Israel's security concerns; and if he will make a statement. [24872]

**Alistair Burt:** My right hon. Friend the Foreign Secretary discussed both the Middle East Peace Process and the UK's cooperation with Israel on Iran with Prime Minister Netanyahu during his recent visit to the region. He underlined the UK's view that direct talks offer the best opportunity for progress on the Middle East Peace Process and that this is important to Israel's long term security.

**Mr Amess:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what recent progress has been made in the Middle East peace process; and if he will make a statement. [R] [24947]

**Alistair Burt:** My right hon. Friend the Foreign Secretary discussed the situation with Secretary Clinton and Senator Mitchell during his recent visit to Washington. We believe that direct talks offer the best opportunity to achieve a sovereign, viable and contiguous Palestinian State living in peace and security alongside a safe and secure Israel and their other neighbours in the region.

**Mr Amess:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what reports he has received of the acquisition of anti-aircraft missiles by Hamas since September 2010; what discussions he has had with the government of Israel on this issue; and if he will make a statement. [25052]

**Alistair Burt:** We are aware of reports that Hamas have acquired anti-aircraft missiles. We have long made it clear that the arming and funding of Hamas, and other Palestinian Rejectionist Groups, is unacceptable.

We recognise Israel's legitimate security needs. We have underlined the need for Hamas to end rocket attacks on Israel. We call on them to take immediate and concrete steps towards the Quartet principles.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmhansrd/cm101122/text/101122w0003.htm#10112234000035>

## Middle East: Politics and Government

**Mr Amess:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what assessment he has made of the political situation in the West Bank since September 2010; and if he will make a statement. [24881]

**Alistair Burt:** The impact of the occupation in the West Bank remains an important concern. We welcome the improvements in movement and access that have taken place over the last year. This shows that access restrictions can be reduced without compromising Israel's security. We look to Israel to work with the Palestinian Authority to further ease restrictions.

The EU continues to follow closely the cases of human rights defenders arrested in the West Bank. We look to Israel to ensure that those detained have access to a fair trial in accordance with international law.

We recognise that the Palestinian Authority security forces are making West Bank towns safer for ordinary Palestinians and combating terrorism. However, we remain concerned about allegations of ill treatment of Palestinian detainees and call for an end to this.

**Mr Amess:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what assessment he has made of the political situation in Gaza since September 2010; and if he will make a statement. [24883]

**Alistair Burt:** The UK is concerned by the humanitarian, economic and political situation in Gaza.

Gaza's aid dependency will continue until the economy recovers. There needs to be progress on exports, and improved access to land and fishing areas. The best way to safeguard Israel's security is through empowering Gaza's business fraternity.

During his recent visit, my right hon. Friend the Foreign Secretary welcomed the steps that the Government of Israel have taken to improve access but underlined the need for further measures to secure change on the ground.

At the same time it is important to remember that Hamas continues to pursue an ideology of violence which directly undermines prospects for peace in the region.

We call on Hamas to take immediate and concrete steps towards the Quartet principles and to release Gilad Shalit unconditionally.

**Mr Amess:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what assessment he has made of the economic situation in the Palestinian territories since September 2010; and if he will make a statement. [R] [24999]

**Alistair Burt:** My right hon. Friend the Foreign Secretary discussed Gaza with the Israeli Prime Minister, Foreign Minister and Defence Minister during his visit to the region. He welcomed the steps Israel has taken to improve access but underlined the need for further steps to secure change on the ground. I also made clear to the House on 8 November the need to support economic revitalisation in Gaza.

To help support the Gazan economy the Government have recently announced a further £2 million in new funding to support the recovery of Gaza's private sector. We are also supporting the United Nations and Palestinian Authority teams working to facilitate access to imports in Gaza.

The West Bank economy is clearly benefiting from stability and good governance under the leadership of Prime Minister Fayyad. Israel has also played its part by relaxing many movement and access restrictions, making it easier for businesses to operate and grow. Prime Minister Fayyad is aware of the challenges that lie ahead and is trying to address these through his reform agenda, which we support.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmhansrd/cm101122/text/101122w0003.htm#10112234000036>

## Occupied Territories: Housing

**Paul Blomfield:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs whether he has made representations to the Israeli Government on the (a) Al Araqib and other unrecognised villages and (b) UN Human Rights Committee's recommendations of July 2010 on access to health structures, education, water and electricity for residents of those villages. [24793]

**Alistair Burt:** We are concerned that Israel's minority Arab population, including Bedouin Arab minorities, are suffering institutional, legal and societal inequality and discrimination. We remain concerned that the Israeli Government's Goldberg Commission's 2008 recommendations, which included a recommendation to recognise most of the remaining unrecognised Bedouin villages, has not brought about an end to the demolition of Bedouin houses and villages.

During the recent UN Human Rights Committee hearing in Geneva on 13 and 14 July along with UN colleagues, we raised these concerns with the Government of Israel. Israel told the Committee that it was in ongoing discussions with Bedouin leaders about housing access and housing rights. We continue to support calls made by the EU and the UN for a genuine and satisfactory solution to these problems that the Bedouin communities face. We have made it clear that Israel should take the steps necessary to ensure that the rights of these minorities are protected.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201011/cmhansrd/cm101122/text/101122w003.htm#10112234000038>

## Israel

**Baroness Tonge:** To ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Government of Israel's suspension of strategic dialogue with the United Kingdom during the visit of the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, William Hague, to Israel and the Occupied Territories. [HL3900]

**The Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office (Lord Howell of Guildford):** During his recent visit to the region, both my right honourable friend the Foreign Secretary and his Israeli counterpart expressed their appreciation for the breadth and intensity of official exchanges between the two Governments and affirmed their shared commitment to an early meeting of the high-level UK-Israel strategic dialogue.

**Baroness Tonge:** To ask Her Majesty's Government what impact Israel's suspension of strategic dialogue with the United Kingdom has had upon plans for a change in the law on Universal Jurisdiction. [HL3901]

**Lord Howell of Guildford:** During my right honourable friend the Foreign Secretary's recent visit to the region, both he and his Israeli counterpart expressed their appreciation for the breadth and intensity of official exchanges between the two Governments and affirmed their shared commitment to an early meeting of the High-Level UK-Israel Strategic Dialogue.

My right honourable friend the Foreign Secretary made clear during his visit to the region that changes to universal jurisdiction legislation in the UK, are expected to be in place next year but we will continue to do it to our own timetable.

**Lord Dykes:** To ask Her Majesty's Government whether they will make representations to the Government of Israel to develop financial packages to help settlers in the occupied territories to start up residence in Israel proper. [HL3973]

**Lord Howell of Guildford:** Our view is that all settlement activity in the Occupied Palestinian Territories is illegal. We look to the Government of Israel to take all necessary steps to prevent settlement construction. However, we do recognise that tough compromises will need to be made by both sides. We will continue to support ongoing efforts and stand ready to assist the implementation of an agreed solution.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld201011/ldhansrd/text/101122w0002.htm#1011225001160>

## Israel and Palestine

**Lord Dykes:** To ask Her Majesty's Government when they next expect to meet the Government of Israel about the release of those Palestinian detainees held in detention without due process.[HL3969]

**The Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office (Lord Howell of Guildford):** We continue to monitor the situation with regard to Palestinian prisoners in Israeli prisons. We look to the Israeli Government to ensure that all cases are reviewed in court in accordance with fair procedures and that detainees' rights are upheld. We will continue to raise our concerns with the Israeli authorities as and when we judge it appropriate.

Since 2009 UK officials have also attended military court hearings on key cases on a regular basis. The UK works with other EU countries to ensure that EU diplomats attend key court hearings for human rights defenders.

**Lord Dykes:** To ask Her Majesty's Government when they next expect to meet Israeli officials about concessions on stopping settlement construction in the West Bank and East Jerusalem.[HL3970]

**Lord Howell of Guildford:** UK officials are in regular dialogue with the Government of Israel about these issues. We also raise them regularly at ministerial level. Most recently my right honourable friend the Foreign Secretary discussed these points with Prime Minister Netanyahu, Foreign Minister Lieberman and Defence Minister Barak during his visit to the region.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld201011/ldhansrd/text/101122w0002.htm#1011225001161>

## Gaza

**Baroness Tonge:** To ask Her Majesty's Government whether the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, William Hague, intends to visit Gaza. [HL3903]

**The Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office (Lord Howell of Guildford):** My right honourable friend the Foreign Secretary has no immediate plans to visit Gaza. However, he discussed the situation in Gaza with Prime Minister Netanyahu during his recent visit to the region.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld201011/ldhansrd/text/101122w0001.htm#1011225001147>

## Middle East Peace Process

**Lord Dykes:** To ask Her Majesty's Government what plans they have to propose new initiatives through the European Union's membership of the quartet on the Middle East to assist the Middle East peace process.[HL3971]

**The Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office (Lord Howell of Guildford):** We will continue to work with the EU as part of the quartet to drive forward progress on the Middle East peace process in support of US-led negotiations. We want to see negotiations proceed as soon as possible. We do not propose substantive new initiatives but believe the international community, including the quartet and the EU, have an important role to play in supporting the US and the parties.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld201011/ldhansrd/text/101122w0002.htm#1011225001163>

## UK Parliament Early Day Motion

**Richard Burden (1068) Occupation of the Palestinian Territories** - That this House notes the 43-year-long occupation of the Palestinian Territories of the Gaza Strip and the West Bank, including East Jerusalem by Israel; further notes the presence of over 500,000 illegal Israeli settlers on occupied land and the refusal of the government of Israel to halt the construction of such settlements, or even to suspend construction to allow peace talks with the Palestinian leadership to progress; further notes the continuing siege of the Gaza Strip, which since June 2007 has prevented exports from Gaza and disrupted the import of humanitarian supplies and materials to rebuild homes, schools, hospitals and businesses destroyed by war; reaffirms its continued belief in a lasting peace settlement with a secure and independent state of Palestine alongside a secure and independent Israel; and calls on the Government, working with the EU, to remind Israel that the continuation of trade and other preferences under the EU-Israeli Association Agreement is dependent on it implementing its own obligations to respect the human rights of Palestinians and to uphold international law.

<http://edmi.parliament.uk/EDMi/EDMDetails.aspx?EDMID=42058&SESSION=905>

## European Union Council

### Middle East

Ministers held a broad discussion over lunch on the situation in the Middle East, focusing in particular on the efforts to restart the direct peace talks between Israel and the Palestinians, and on the situation in Lebanon.

### Middle East Peace Process

Ministers exchanged views on the latest developments concerning the Middle East Peace Process and underlined the EU's continued support for the efforts of the United States to restart the direct negotiations, following a briefing by High Representative Catherine Ashton, after the EU-US summit. They voiced their concern at the current lack of progress and the on-going settlement activities, particularly in East Jerusalem. The High Representative pointed to the Council's December 2009 conclusions and recalled that settlements are illegal under international law, are an obstacle to peace and threaten to make a two-state solution impossible. She emphasized that the EU would continue to work with the International Quartet towards the successful outcome of the negotiations if they were resumed.

Ministers also expressed their ongoing concern at the situation in Gaza, calling for the Gaza crossings to be opened and, in particular, for exports to be allowed out of Gaza.

[http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms\\_data/docs/pressdata/EN/foraff/117948.pdf](http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_data/docs/pressdata/EN/foraff/117948.pdf)

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## Relevant Legislation \*\* New or updated

### UK Parliament

#### Daylight Saving Bill

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2010-11/daylightsaving.html>

#### Face Coverings (Regulation) Bill

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2010-11/facecoveringsregulation.html>

#### Fixed Term Parliaments Bill

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2010-11/fixedtermparliaments.html>

## Identity Documents Bill

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2010-11/identitydocuments.html>

## \*\* Parliamentary Voting System and Constituencies Bill

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2010-11/parliamentaryvotingsystemandconstituencies.html>

Notice of amendments

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld201011/ldbills/026/amend/am026-c.htm>

## Scottish Parliament

### \*\* Certification of Death Bill

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/s3/bills/58-CertDeath/index.htm>

Written evidence

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/s3/committees/hs/inquiries/CertificationOfDeathBill/evidence.htm>

### \*\* End of Life Assistance Bill

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/s3/bills/38-EndLifeAssist/index.htm>

Sponsoring MSP's response to the Stage 1 Report

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/s3/committees/endLifeAsstBill/evidence/documents/20101122Responsefromthememberincharge1report.pdf>

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## Consultations

\*\* new or updated

### \*\* *closes in 3 days*

**Equality Duty: Detailed Proposals - Consultation on Public Sector Equality Duty Draft Regulations and Order (Scotland)** (closes 26 November 2010)

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/324431/0104438.pdf>

**The Future of the Citizenship Survey** (closing date 30 November 2010)

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/documents/communities/pdf/1756366.pdf>

**Charity Commission: Proposed withdrawal of paper forms for Annual Returns, Registration applications, and forthcoming Charitable Incorporated Organisations** (closes 2 December 2010)

[http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/About us/About the Commission/ols consultation intro.aspx](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/About%20us/About%20the%20Commission/ols%20consultation%20intro.aspx)

**Equality Act 2010 - Performance of the Public Sector Equality Duties in Wales** (closes 17 December 2010)

<http://wales.gov.uk/consultations/equality/equalityact2010/?lang=en>

**Equality and Human Rights Commission: Draft Code of Practice on Further and Higher Education** (closes 31 December 2010)

[http://live.ehrc.precedenthost.co.uk/cgi-bin/generate.pl?page\\_id= sx0666i4b&save=screen](http://live.ehrc.precedenthost.co.uk/cgi-bin/generate.pl?page_id= sx0666i4b&save=screen)

**Charity Commission for England and Wales: Views on Future Strategy** (closes 14 January 2011)

[http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/RSS/News/pr\\_strategic\\_review.aspx](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/RSS/News/pr_strategic_review.aspx)

**Improvements to Criminal Justice Statistics** (closing date 18 February 2011)  
<http://www.justice.gov.uk/consultations/statistics-cp171110.htm>

**National statistics, published by the Department of Health about the experience of black and minority ethnic patients**  
[http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Liveconsultations/DH\\_121762](http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Liveconsultations/DH_121762)

**Prevent Review** (closing date not stated)  
<http://preventreview.homeoffice.gov.uk/>

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