

Candidates Standing for Election 2025



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RUTH CADBURY MP (Election 1st Term)



Ruth Cadbury MP was elected as Chair of the Commons Transport Committee in September 2024. She has been the Labour MP for the West London seat of Brentford and Isleworth since 2015. She has previously held shadow ministerial roles for Prisons & Probation, International Trade, Planning, and Housing; and has been a member of the Transport, Justice, and Women & Equalities Select Committees. Ruth has chaired the All Party Parliamentary Groups on Cycling and Walking, Transport Safety and Women in Transport. Prior to her election to Parliament, Ruth was a town planner working in local government and the third sector. She was a Councillor in the London Borough of Hounslow for 25 years holding several senior positions and also chaired the Barrow Cadbury Trust – a leading social justice foundation.

BILL ESTERSON MP (Election 1st Term)



Bill Esterson has served as a Labour Member of Parliament for Sefton Central since 2010; coming from a political background, being the grandson of a trade unionist and son of two Labour councillors. Bill previously served on Medway Council from 1995 until his election to Parliament in 2010. He served several opposition posts, including Shadow Minister for Small Businesses, Business and Industry, and International Trade and Roads. In September 2024, Esterson was elected as Chair of the Select Committee on Energy Security and Net Zero.

ALISON GRIFFITHS MP (Election 1st Term)



Alison grew up in Surrey and Sussex, before going on to study at university. It was there that Alison's life took a dramatically different turn. In her first year, she contracted bacterial meningitis and lost 70% of her hearing, permanently. Through adversity Alison came out the other side to focus on how she could make a difference to the world. She became a trustee of the national charity Meningitis Now and remains an ambassador for them. As a newly elected MP, one of Alison's national priorities will be to support disability charities. In her thirty-year business career, Alison worked in senior roles for global businesses including pensions provider Aviva, and Coca-

Cola, helped technology companies grow, and advised the government on FinTech and cybersecurity. She has been involved in politics for fifteen years. Alison lives with her husband, Chris, and has three grown-up stepdaughters. When she is not working, Alison goes sea-swimming several times a week.

WERA HOBHOUSE MP (Election 1st Term)



Wera Hobhouse was first elected as the MP for Bath in 2017 and has been re-elected in 2019 and 2024. Prior to entering Parliament, she was a councillor in Rochdale from 2004 to 2014, where she was Cabinet Member for the Environment, Chair of the Health Scrutiny Committee, and then Group Leader of the Liberal Democrat Council Group. In the 2017 -19 Parliament, Wera was the Liberal Democrat spokesperson for Communities and Local Government and served as a member of the Brexit Select Committee. In 2018 she successfully introduced the Upskirting Bill. Wera has been the Liberal Democrat spokesperson on Climate Change from

2019 to 2024. In 2023, Wera's Private Members' Bill, the 'Workers Protection Bill' became law, adding protection to employees from sexual harassment in the workplace. In the new parliament, Wera will take up the role on the Panel of Chairs, is a member of the Energy Security and Net Zero Select Committee and Chairs the APPG on Eating Disorders. She also serves as co-chair of PRASEG (APPG for Renewable and Sustainable Energy) and the Environment APPG.

EDWARD MCMULLAN (Election 4th Term by Special Resolution)



Edward is Chairman of Dawnay Holdings PLC and the founder of the Chiltern group of companies. After Cambridge University and qualifying as a Chartered Accountant, Edward worked in the city in Corporate Finance. The past twenty years have been spent setting up, financing and advising small businesses.

KATIE ROSCOE (Election 1st Term)



Katie is Director of UK Public Affairs and Policy at Airbus. She is responsible for the delivery of the public affairs strategy for Airbus in the UK across its three business divisions - Commercial Aircraft, Defence & Space, and Helicopters. She is a member of a number of industry groups including Sustainable Aviation, Aerospace Growth Partnership, Hydrogen in Aviation, ADS Civil Aerospace Council, Women in Aviation and Aerospace and Women in Defence. She has been a member of the IPT Executive Committee since 2020 and has worked with the organisation for more than ten years, hosting Fellowship visits and attending events in Parliament. From 2011 to 2019 she worked for Rolls-Royce and managed relationships with government officials and Parliamentarians as the Government Relations lead on aerospace, industrial strategy, energy and environment and skills policy areas. She previously headed up a Parliamentary monitoring team of consultants, and worked in the public sector at the Skills Funding Agency. She has a BA in Sociology from the University of Warwick and a MA in Legal and Political Theory from UCL.

MARTIN VICKERS MP (Election 1st Term)



Martin was born and raised in Cleethorpes, being educated locally at Havelock School and Grimsby College. In 2004, after 6 years of study as a part-time student at Lincoln University, he earned his B.A. degree in politics with honours. Martin has always lived in the Grimsby/Cleethorpes area, and is a passionate supporter of Grimsby Town since his first game in the Osmond stand versus Norwich in 1959 with his parents. Prior to taking up the position of Constituency Agent to Edward Leigh MP in 1994, Martin worked in the printing industry and retail trade in the Cleethorpes area. His passion for public service has given him 25 years of experience as a councillor, representing Scartho Ward in North East Lincolnshire, including six years as the Cabinet Member for Environmental Services. Martin was first elected as a Member of Parliament in May 2010 and was delighted to be re-elected to Parliament as the MP for Brigg and Immingham in 2024. Along with serving as a local councillor he has previously served the local community as a churchwarden. Outside of politics Martin enjoys spending time with his wife and daughter, reading (mainly politics, history and religion), railways, travel, the Church/religion, football & cricket, and music.

LORD YOUNG OF NORWOOD GREEN (Election 2nd Term)



Lord Young was appointed as a Labour Peer to the House of Lords in June 2004. Prior to his peerage, he served as General Secretary of the National Communications Union (1989–95), then joint General Secretary (1995–98), then Senior Deputy General Secretary (1998–2002) of the Communication Workers Union. In October 2008 he was appointed as Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Skills and Apprenticeships in the Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills, being moved to the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills when it was created in the June 2009 reshuffle, continuing as a Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, but with responsibility for Employment Relations and Postal Affairs until 11 May 2010. He is an IPT Fellow, having completed a programme in Skills and Apprenticeships.