

**HOUSE OF LORDS APPOINTMENTS COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**17 December 2020
Video Conference**

Attendees: Lord Bew, Baroness Browning, Lord Clark, Baroness Parminter, Lord Chartres, Fionnuala Jay-O'Boyle, HOLAC Secretariat and Press Officer

Apologies: none

Political peerages

1. The Commission heard an update about the proposed political list and possible future nominees.
2. The Commission undertook its vetting duties in relation to a number of political peerages nominations.
3. The Commission noted a conflict of interest declared by the Chair in relation to a nominee. It was noted that the Chair had not received the papers relating to the nominee and would play no part in the process. He recused himself from the meeting and rejoined when the Commission's discussion had concluded.

HOLAC nominations

4. The Commission noted that the process of vetting its non-party-political crossbench nominees was completed. The Chair would write to the Prime Minister.

HOLAC update

5. The Commission noted likely further business which would require a meeting early in 2021.

**HOLAC Secretariat
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