

## APPG on the Rule of Law

**Date:** Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2023

**Time:** 1.30-1.35pm

**Location:** Committee Room 5, House of Commons

### Minutes of the AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on the Rule of Law

#### Attendance

**Parliamentarians attending:** Sir Bob Neill MP (Chair); Lord Anderson of Ipswich KC (Co-Chair); Baroness Butler-Sloss; Joanna Cherry MP; Lord Dubs; Baroness D'Souza; Lord German; Lord Hannay of Chiswick; Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb; Baroness Ludford; Baroness Lister of Burtersett; Lord MacDonald of River Glaven; Lord Sandhurst; Baroness Whitaker.

**Apologies:** Baroness Bakewell of Hardington Mandeville; Lord Garnier; Lord Goldsmith; Baroness Hamwee; Darren Jones MP; Lord Judge; Lord Bishop of Leeds; Lord Lisvane; Lord Morgan; Lord Norton of Louth; Lord Pannick; Baroness Prashar; Baroness Taylor of Bolton; Lord Thomas of Cwmgiedd.

**Panel providing expert presentations at formal meeting on Illegal Migration Bill held immediately after AGM:** Jean-Pierre Gauci; Marija Jovanović; Charlotte Kilroy KC; Enver Solomon

**Others attending:** Maia Cohen (Bingham Centre); Murray Hunt (Bingham Centre); Daniella Lock (Bonavero Institute of Human Rights) Lee Marsons (Public Law Project); Jun Pang (Liberty); Tom Southerden (Amnesty International); Jan van Zyl Smit (Bingham Centre).

#### Meeting Aims

To comply with the rules for APPGs by conducting an AGM for the reporting year 8 February 2022 – 7 February 2023, including the re-election of officers.



## Summary of AGM proceedings

The Chair noted that there was a quorum of 5 Members of either House including 1 MP present, and the meeting was duly opened.

The following officers were duly re-elected, unanimously:

Chair & Registered Contact	Sir Robert Neill MP	Conservative
Co-Chair	Lord Anderson of Ipswich	Crossbench
Vice-Chair	Joanna Cherry MP	Scottish National Party
Vice-Chair	Baroness Lister of Burtersett	Labour
Vice-Chair	Sir Tony Lloyd MP <i>in absentia</i>	Labour
Vice-Chair	Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb	Green Party
Vice-Chair	Lord Sandhurst	Conservative
Vice-Chair	Lord Macdonald of River Glaven	Crossbench
Vice-Chair	Lord Pannick <i>in absentia</i>	Crossbench

A new officer was elected unanimously: Baroness Butler-Sloss (Crossbench) Vice-Chair.

The APPG did not adopt an Income and Expenditure statement as it was not required to do so.

The APPG unanimously confirmed that Murray Hunt (Director, Bingham Centre) would continue as its Legal Adviser.

The AGM concluded at approximately 1.35 pm and was followed by a formal meeting on the Illegal Migration Bill.