

The Royal Society Pairing Scheme 2022
Programme for the 'Week in Westminster'
13 – 17 March

Sunday 13 March – Arrival and Check-in

- 16:00 onwards Arrival and check-in at hotel – The Strand Palace Hotel, *372 Strand, London, WC2R 0JJ*
- 18.00 Introductory dinner – Browns Covent Garden, *82-84 St Martin's Lane, WC2N 4AG*

Monday 14 March – INTRODUCTORY DAY – The Royal Society & Parliament

- From 09:30 Arrive at the Royal Society for tea & coffee and library open house visit. *6 – 9 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AG*
- 11:15 - 11.30 Welcome and Introduction – Sir Adrian Smith (President of the Royal Society)
- 11:30 – 12:00 Policy & science – Tom Frostick, Head of Research & Innovation Policy, Royal Society
- 12:15 - 13:00 Science in the media – Bronwyn Friedlander, Head of Media, Royal Society
- 13.00 – 14:00 Lunch in the Royal Society dining room
- 14.00 – 15.00 How to work with select committees – Clerks, House of Commons S&T Committee
- 15.00 - 17.30 Free time
- 18:00 Meet outside Parliament and go through security – *Cromwell Green Visitors' entrance, Parliament Square (exit 8 on accompanying map)*
- 18:30 – 20:30 Exhibition and parliamentary reception (representatives from the research community will present their work) - *Churchill Room, Palace of Westminster*

Speakers:

Chi Onwurah MP (Shadow Minister for Science, Research & Innovation)
Baroness Brown of Cambridge (Chair, Lords S&T committee)
Dr Julie Maxton CBE (Executive Director, Royal Society)

Tuesday 15 March – SHADOWING DAY 1

- 08:30 Meet outside Parliament and go through security – *Cromwell Green Visitors entrance*
- 09:00 – 10:15 Tour of Palace of Westminster (lasts approximately 75 minutes)
- 10:30 - 11:30 How Parliament works – Houses of Parliament Outreach Service (*venue in Parliament*)
- 11:30 – 17:00 Time for shadowing (to be arranged with your pair)
- Free evening

Wednesday 16 March – SHADOWING DAY 2

- 09:00 – 15:30 Time for shadowing (to be arranged with your pair)
- 15:30 – 18:00 Mock Select Committee – Palace of Westminster (*meet outside parliament by the Cromwell Green entrance at 15:30*)
- 18.00 – 20.00 OPTIONAL – Networking drinks at The Two Chairmen pub, *39 Dartmouth Street, Westminster SW1H 9BP*

Thursday 17 March – Government Office for Science Day – Abbey House, Westminster

- 10.10 – 10.30 Arrival and refreshments at Abbey House, *34 Great Smith Street, SW1P 3BU*
- 10.30 – 11:00 Welcome and Introduction – Dr Stuart Wainwright, Director of GO- Science
- 11:00 – 11.30 Q&A with Robert Bradburne (Deputy Chief Scientific Advisor, DEFRA) and Chris Pook (Deputy Director GO-Science for Science Systems and Capability).
- 11.30 – 11.45 Break
- 11.45 – 12.30 How officials can engage with science – Dr Alan Pitt, Director of Fellowship & Governance, Royal Society
- 12.30 – 13.15 Lunch
- 13:15 – 14:00 Case study: scientists working with government on climate science
- 14:00 – 14:30 **Close (Royal Society staff)**