## <u>Press release: Intimidation of</u> <u>Parliamentary candidates: evidence</u> <u>sessions</u>

The Committee is currently gathering evidence and views as part of its review on the intimidation of Parliamentary candidates.

The Committee has issued a <u>call for evidence</u> and invites contributions from anyone with an interest in these issues by 8 September 2017.

In addition, the Committee will be holding oral evidence sessions in the Macmillan Room in Portcullis House, Westminster on Thursday 14th September 2017.

## Session 1 – Police and Security 14:40 – 15:30

Note: This session will not be open to the public given the nature of material to be discussed.

Witnesses:

- Crown Prosecution Service
- Director of Security, Houses of Parliament
- The National Police Chiefs' Council
- Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Ways and Means, House of Commons

## Session 2 – Political Parties 15:30 – 16:30

This session is open to the public and the media. A transcript will be made available on our <u>website</u>.

Witnesses:

- Rt Hon Sir Patrick McLoug[]h]lin MP: Chair, Conservative Party
- Cat Smith MP: Shadow Minister (Cabinet Office) (Voter Engagement and Youth Affairs), Labour Party
- Baroness Brinton: President, Liberal Democrat Party

The Committee will also be holding a roundtable with invited contributors on 12th September, a summary of which will be posted on the Committee's website after the event.

Find out more or submit evidence to this review.