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Richard Burgon MP, Labour's Shadow Secretary of State for Justice, commenting on the appointment of Sir Ian Burnett as the new Lord Chief Justice, said:

"I congratulate Sir Ian Burnett on his appointment as Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales from October 2017.

"One of the Lord Chief Justice's key responsibilities is representing the views of the judiciary to Parliament and the government.

"I look forward to working with Lord Justice Burnett in upholding the independence of the judiciary, which is a cornerstone of our legal system."