



**Public Administration
and Constitutional Affairs
Committee**

From the Chair
Dame Jackie Doyle-Price MP

The Rt Hon Mel Stride MP
Secretary of State for Work & Pensions
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Via email only

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Dear Secretary of State,

**TIMETABLE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE TO
THE PARLIAMENTARY AND HEALTH SERVICE OMBUDSMAN'S REPORT**

Thank you for your response (30 April) to our request for an update on the timetable for the publication of the Government's response to the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman's report.

The Committee was extremely disappointed that the Government is unable to outline a draft timetable at this stage, or even a target date by which it expects a response to be published.

We note that there is a debate on this issue on the floor of the House on Thursday and we expect the opportunity to be used to pursue this issue further. We look forward to a more forthcoming answer then.

I am grateful to the DWP Committee for also scrutinising this issue and I am copying this response to the Chair of that Committee.

Dame Jackie Doyle-Price MP
Chair, Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

