

2005 Diary of Dr. Brian Iddon
Member of Parliament for Bolton South East

| January 2005 | |
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| 6 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Four Members of the All-Party Parliamentary Britain-Palestine Group leave for Palestine to observe the Presidential Elections, based in Ramallah |
| 10 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Return from Palestine (Elections were on Sunday 9 Jan) |
| 11 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cancer Research UK launches its 'Reduce the Risk' campaign (Brian is one of their 'Champions') |
| 12 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence for the inquiry into 'Forensic Science' from professional bodies, the private sector and the trade unions The Showmen's Guild of Great Britain Annual Luncheon (Brian is Secretary to the All-Party Parliamentary Fairs and Showgrounds Group) Interview with Tower FM radio on Patrick Mercer's Private Members' Bill, 'The Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill', a Bill to amend Section 3 of The Criminal Law Act 1967 in relation to the use of force in the prevention of crime or in the defence of persons or property Meeting of Greater Manchester MPs on the Parliamentary Constituencies Boundary Review Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Britain-Palestine Group 'Health Alert Campaign - Down's Syndrome and Ageing', hosted by Brian |
| 13 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TV interview with Joanna Mack, a student in Media Technology from Farnborough College of Technology, on the impact of chemicals (EU REACH - Registration, Evaluation and Authorisation of CHemicals - Regulation, etc.) |
| 14 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Question and Answer session with pupils at Hayward School Question and Answer session with pupils at Lever Edge Primary School Meeting with Bradshaw, Gas and Hope, Architects |
| 17 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting of the Programme Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee Meeting with Tony Blair at No. 10 Downing Street of those Members of the All-Party Parliamentary Britain-Palestine Group who observed the elections in Palestine on 9 January to discuss a way forward Meeting with The Carbon Trust, addressed by Margaret Becket Discussion dinner with Syngenta, addressed by Lord Haskins |
| 18 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Drugs Bill (Brian was in the Chamber all day) |

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| 19 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence from the HFEA and Melanie Johnson, Minister for Public Health for the "Human Reproductive Technologies and the Law" inquiry • Meeting of Greater Manchester MPs about Metrolink • Beating Bowel Cancer's Loud Tie Campaign Parliamentary reception, addressed by John Reid, SoS for Health • PLP Health and Social Services Committee (all Health Ministers present, addressed by John Reid) • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Jordan Group, with Jordanian Ambassador, HE Timoor Daghistini, present |
| 20 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with BBC's Robin Christal for the World at One • Launch of the Institute of Biology Continuing Professional Development Scheme • Meeting with the Times Higher Education Supplement (Paul Hill) • Institute of Physics Annual Awards Dinner at the Savoy Hotel, London |
| 21 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with the Chief Executive of the Greater Manchester Learning & Skills Council regarding post-16 education in Bolton • Advice Surgery At Bolton Town Hall • Meeting regarding the General Election campaign |
| 22 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting at the Technical Innovation Centre to receive a presentation on the proposed IT tender |
| 24 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paul Boateng, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, visit to the Job Centre Plus Ethnic Minority Outreach Programme at Bridgeman Place • John Reid, Secretary of State for Health, visit to the Royal Bolton Hospital to talk to staff working overnight. |
| 25 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian Chaired the fourth seminar in the 'Talking Health' series on 'Osteoporosis' - sponsored by Sanofi-Aventis • Meeting of the Palestine Solidarity Campaign to allow election observers to report back (Brian made a brief speech which received much acclaim) |
| 26 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence for the 'Forensic Science' Inquiry • Meeting with the General Medical Council on 'Reform' • Science & Technology Select Committee, to finalise the report on 'The Future of the National Institute for Medical Research' at Mill Hill, North London • Reception for YouthNetUK, an internet service for young people • Special meeting of the NW Group of Labour MPs to discuss the forthcoming General Election campaign, with Alan Milburn in attendance • Meeting with BT |

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| 27 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Committee F considering The Drugs Bill (Two sessions at 9.10 - 11.25 a.m. and 2.30 - 5.30 p.m.) • Meeting with Chief Executives of the biotechnology industries organised by The Bio-industries Association |
| 28 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question and answer session with the children at Brandwood Primary School • Ivan Lewis, Under-Secretary of State at the Department for Education & Skills, and MP for Bury South, presented an Investment in People Award (he is the Minister responsible for IIP Awards) at Zentek, St Marks St (Great Lever Ward) • Octagon Theatre Press Night ('The Beauty Queen of Leenane') |
| 30 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-launch of the Lunch and Leisure Activity Club by Age Concern at the Quebec Hall (Rumworth Branch) • Holocaust Memorial Ceremony at Bolton Town Hall • The Mayor of Bolton's Tsunami Appeal Charity Dinner at the Nam Ploy Restaurant, Chorley Old Road, in the presence of the Mayor (Cllr Prentice Howarth) and Mayoress, Sam Allardyce, Amir Khan, Paddy McGuinness and Norman Prince (raised over £17,000) |
| 31 January 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence for the 'Forensic Science' Inquiry • Dinner at the Royal Society to coincide with the seminar 'Building Science & Technology Capacity with African Partners: An African-UK-Canada Exploration', hosted by the Canadian High Commission |
| February 2005 | |
| 1 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Committee F considering The Drugs Bill (Sessions three and four at 9.10 - 11.25 a.m. and 2.30 - 5.20 p.m.) • Brian hosted a celebration for the 10th Anniversary of the "Researchers in Residence" scheme (young postgraduate students spend some time teaching science in a school) - with science demonstrations by the Deanery C of E School, Wigan • All-Party Parliamentary Britain-Palestine Group's (Brian is the secretary to this Group) Annual Reception (in liaison with CAABU - The Council for Arab-British Understanding), attended by Baroness Amos and Arab Ambassadors • Discussion dinner hosted by the NW Section of the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industries |
| 2 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence for an inquiry into 'The Work of Research Councils UK' • MIND's candle lit vigil to mark the final evidence-gathering session of the Joint Committee on The Mental Health Bill • Meeting with Singapore Airlines Ltd • Labour Middle East Council Executive meeting |

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| 3 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Committee F considering The Drugs Bill (Sessions five and six at 9.10 - 11.25 a.m. and 2.30 - 5.20 p.m.) |
| 4 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question & Answer session with the pupils of Spindle Point Primary School, Kearsley • Question & Answer session with the School Council at Harper Green School |
| 5 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice Surgery at Farnworth Town Hall (10.00 a.m. - 2.30 p.m.) |
| 7 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launch of 'A New Agenda for Young People' and 'Facing Forward' (a photographic exhibition) by Centrepont • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence on 'Strategic Science Provision in English Universities' inquiry • Weekly meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party (PLP), addressed by Jack Straw • Meeting of the PLP Education & Skills Committee, addressed by Ruth Kelly for the first time in her new role as Secretary of State |
| 8 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Eighth UK Parliamentary Pancake Race, organised by the brain injury charity Rehab UK • Meeting with the T & G at their lobby regarding cleaners pay at the Palace of Westminster (now £4.85 p; the demand is for £6.70 p an hour) • Meeting with the RSPCA - 'Case Cracked' campaign (Germany has banned battery hens but not Britain) • EPSRC (The Engineering and Science Research Council) - Launch of their 'Portfolio Partnerships' • Lunch with George Caswell and Glynnis Campbell, CE of Bolton's HomesForYou, who made a presentation to the ODPM (Office of the Deputy Prime Minister) Select Committee • Meeting with the Chemical Industries Association (Brian Chairs the All-Party Parliamentary Group on the Chemical Industries) • Recording of The Channel 4 Political Awards at the Channel 4 studios (Horsferry Road, London) |
| 9 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence for the 'Forensic Science' Inquiry • Parliamentary & Scientific Committee's (Brian is their Treasurer) Annual Luncheon at the Savoy Hotel - principal guest was Princess Anne, The Princess Royal • Meeting with The Police Federation • AGM of the Office of The Deputy Prime Minister PLP Committee - John Prescott and all ODPM Ministers were in attendance • Reception in The Speaker's House in Honour of The Speaker from The National Assembly of Islamabad • Dinner at the residency of the Indian High Commissioner, Kensington Palace Gardens, to meet the Hon. Chief Minister of Jammu & Kashmir, Mr Mufti Mohd Sayeed |

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| 11 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board meeting (Brian is Chairman) of Bolton Technical Innovation Centre Ltd • Robin Cook visits the Quebec Hall (Rumworth Ward) • Meeting with the Crown Prosecution Service about a difficult case |
| 14 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with Tower FM Radio on the Tomlinson Report and the future of the A and AS examinations system • 'Science in Parliament', lecture given on the 'Why Study Chemistry?' module to undergraduate chemistry students at the University of Liverpool (where Brian is a Visiting Professor) |
| 15 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the Bolton Vision Steering Group, Reebok Stadium • Meeting of Farnworth Branch |
| 16 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with Tower FM Radio on implementation of the Kyoto Treaty and the U.S.A.'s attitude to it • Meeting at Zentek House with Dr Lee Chatfield, Head of the Department of Forensic & Investigative Science at the University of Central Lancashire • Speech for the Manchester Palestine Solidarity Campaign at the Friends' Meeting House on the Palestinian Presidential Elections (Brian is Secretary to the All-Party Parliamentary Britain-Palestine Group) |
| 17 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with young people from the SE Constituency at the Castle Hill Centre to discuss antisocial behaviour and other youth issues (the 30-40 13-16 year-olds present included a group of 12 boys who hang about in the Little Lever precinct) |
| 18 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interviews with Tower FM and GMR Radio on the ban on hunting mammals with hounds (it came into force at midnight) • Visit to the Mayor's Parlour with those responsible for raising more than £17,000 at the Nam Ploy Restaurant for the Mayor's Tsunami Disaster Appeal Fund • Advice Surgery at Bolton Town Hall |
| 21 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the PLP Health and Social Services Committee on Food Supplements, addressed by Melanie Johnson • Weekly meeting of the PLP, addressed by Alan Milburn • Meeting with the Institute of Mechanical Engineers; the theme was Energy and Climate Change |
| 22 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian Chaired the fifth seminar in the 'Talking Health' series on 'Prostate Cancer' - sponsored by Sanofi-Aventis • Seminar on occupational health, organised by the Work & Health Network • Meeting with the International Myeloma Foundation (UK) and Ovacom (ovarian cancer charity) |

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| 23 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, attempting to finalise the 'Human Reproductive Technologies and the Law' Report • 'How does Science & Engineering Benefit the UK', seminar organised by the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC) • Meeting with the Greater Manchester Police Foundation • Meeting with Jews for Justice for Palestinians |
| 24 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inauguration Ceremony of the University of Bolton (Brian closed the Ceremony with a short speech) • Gala Dinner at Bolton Town Hall to celebrate the Inauguration of the University of Bolton (Nobel Laureate Professor Sir Harry Kroto was the guest speaker) |
| 25 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to Rumworth School • Secretary of State for Education and Skills, Ruth Kelly MP, visits the Bolton Technical Innovation Centre • Meeting with Bolton MBC and the Learning & Skills Council on the future of 14-19 year-old education in Bolton • Presentation to Bolton schools of Fairtrade Footballs at St George United Reform Church • Mayor's Annual Charity Ball |
| 28 February 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, second meeting trying to get agreement on the 'Human Reproductive Technologies and the Law' Report • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence on 'Strategic Science Provision in English Universities' • 'From the Scene of Crime to the Courtroom': Parliamentary & Scientific Committee (Brian is their Treasurer) seminar, followed by a discussion dinner with the three speakers |

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| 1 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with GMR on the vote on the Prevention of Terrorism Act (the Government's majority was reduced to 14, with 62 Labour MPs voting against the Government) - Brian voted with the Government • 'Science and the General Election', seminar organised by The Royal Society of Chemistry (Brian is a Fellow and one of their two Parliamentary Advisers) at which the three main political parties presented their science manifestos (Brian co-hosted this meeting) • Brian Chaired the sixth seminar in the 'Talking Health' series on 'Bowel Cancer' - sponsored by Sanofi-Aventis • Sixth Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation to consider the Draft Company Directors Disqualification (Amendment)(Northern Ireland) Order 2005 • South African Parliamentary Reception with several speakers, including the former General Secretary of the ANC, Cyril Ramaphosa • Brian hosted a group of ten Asian women from the Bolton SE Constituency, led by Asma Patel, who came to give evidence to the Home Affairs Select Committee • Meeting with the Association of University Teachers (Brian is a member) • 23rd Annual Dinner of the Pharmaceutical Services Negotiating Committee at the Royal Lancaster Hotel, Lancaster Gate, London (Bolton pharmacists attend; also Pam Senior, Chairman of the Bolton PCT) |
| 2 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, Question Time with the Minister of Science, Lord Sainsbury • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence on 'Strategic Science Provision in English Universities' inquiry • Meeting on Incapacity Benefit, hosted by Compass and the Centre for Economic & Social Inclusion • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary FRAME (Fund for the Replacement of Animals in Medical Experiments) Group • Interview on GMR on school meals and obesity • 'Agenda for Connecting Parliament with Young People', a consultation organised by the Hansard Society who paid the expenses of two pupils to attend from George Tomlinson School, Kearsley • Discussion Dinner with Qinetiq; Chief Executive Sir John Chisholm and Chairman Dame Pauline Neville-Jones in attendance |
| 4 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with BT at the Bolton Technical Innovation Centre • Question & Answer session with pupils at St James's School |
| 5 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice Surgery at Farnworth Town Hall |

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| 7 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, third meeting, which lasted six hours, trying to get agreement on the 'Human Reproductive Technologies and the Law' Report (Brian Chaired a part of this long session) |
| 8 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with the Fleishman-Hillard Group about a campaign on identity fraud • Defend Council Housing seminar at which tenants gave evidence of their experiences pre- and post-council housing stock transfer • TOAST (The Obesity Awareness & Solutions Trust) • reception • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Warm Homes Group (Brian is Treasurer of this APG) • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Fairs and Show Grounds Group (Brian is the Secretary of this APG). |
| 9 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence on 'Strategic Science Provision in English Universities' inquiry (Brian was in the Chair for a part of this meeting) • 'Make Poverty History' campaign - launch of the ActionAid report 'Trade Gaps' • All-Party Parliamentary Group on men's health - MHF (Men's Health Forum) screening for aortic abdominal aneurysms (the risk is 1 in 20 men over the age of 60 have an enlarged aorta) - Brian was within the normal range |
| 10 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the Royal Society of Chemistry's Parliamentary Affairs Committee at Burlington House, Piccadilly (Brian is one of their two Parliamentary Advisers and is a Fellow of the Society) • Visit of Bolton Sixth Form College students (Brian hosted a Q & A session in Committee Room 8) |
| 11 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Constituency engagements cancelled due to the Prevention of Terrorism Bill being strongly opposed (the Conservatives conceded just before 6.00 p.m. and the House of Lords met finally at 7.00 p.m. to agree the House of Commons proposals) |
| 12 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the All-Parties Kashmir Freedom Council (UK & Europe) at the Bolton Information Centre, High St, Bolton |
| 14 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Science & Politics' - Presentations by Britain's Younger Scientists, Engineers & Technologists organised by SET (Science, Engineering & Technology) for Britain - Brian hosted both sessions, at 11.45 a.m. - 3.30 p.m. and 5.45 - 9.00 p.m. • Science & Technology Select Committee, fourth meeting, which lasted five hours, trying to get agreement on the 'Human Reproductive Technologies and the Law' Report - the report was finally agreed, but Brian moved a guillotine motion at 6.00 p.m. |

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| 15 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Kashmir • Brian Chaired the seventh seminar in the 'Talking Health' series on 'Obesity' - sponsored by Sanofi-Aventis • Eleventh Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation to consider the Draft Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996 (Code of Practice) Order 2005 • Brian, as Chairman of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for the Chemical Industries, hosted the launch by the Chemical Industries Association of their 'Policy Priorities' document, addressed by Alun Michael, Minister of State at DEFRA |
| 16 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, finalising reports on 'Forensic Science' and on 'The Work of Research Councils UK (RCUK)' and an unsuccessful attempt to agree a Summary and a Press Release for the 'Human Reproductive Technologies and the Law' Report • Meeting with Unilever and Lord Sainsbury (Minister for Science) at the DTI on finding alternatives to animal experiments for testing chemicals and medicines - agreed to organise a conference in April of all interested parties • Interview with Tower FM radio on the Budget • Joint meeting of the Associate Parliamentary Skills Group and the National Skills Forum with Mike Tomlinson to discuss the 'Tomlinson Report' • Reception to mark the retirement from the House of Commons of the Rt Hon Dr Jack Cunningham, MP for Copeland (who was a PhD student in the Department of Chemistry at the University of Durham when Brian was appointed to the staff there in 1964) |
| 17 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'The UK - Best Place in the World for Innovation', a seminar organised by the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee (Brian is their Treasurer), the Parliamentary Office of Science & Technology and the DTI as part of National Science Week |
| 18 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice Surgery at Bolton Town Hall • Mayor's Civic Dinner, Bolton Town Hall |
| 19 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview for the BBC 'p.m.' programme on the Home Secretary's announcement that he was asking the Advisory Council on the Mis-use of Drugs (ACMD) to look again at the reclassification of cannabis • Bolton Wanderers Football Club <i>versus</i> Norwich FC |
| 21 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with a group of Middle East journalists (from newspapers, TV and radio), organised by Media in Society, to discuss political and social issues of the region • Third Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation to consider the Draft Water Fluoridation (Consultation)(England) Regulations 2005 and the Draft Water Supply (Fluoridation Indemnities)(England) Regulations 2005 • Dinner at The Royal Society of Chemistry, Burlington House, to launch their report 'Spin-out Activity & Innovation within the Regions', with Lord Sainsbury as the guest speaker |

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| 22 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with GMR radio on identity fraud • Launch of the Energy Saving Trust's 'Agenda for Change; Action for a Low Carbon Society' document • Brian Chaired the eighth seminar in the 'Talking Health' series on 'MRSA' - sponsored by Sanofi-Aventis • Meeting of the NW Group of Labour MPs to recognise the service of four retiring Members, Peter Pike (Burnley), Colin Pickthall (Lancashire West), Terry Lewis (Worsley) and Andrew Bennett (Denton and Reddish) • Meeting of SIGOMA • SIGOMA dinner to recognise the service of Bill O'Brien in Parliament and to Local Government in his capacity as Chairman of the SIGOMA Group |
| 23 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, private session to agree the 'Heads of Report' for the 'Strategic Science Provision in Universities' inquiry and to consider a 'Supplementary Report' to the Report on 'Human Fertility and the Law' • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence from the Chief Scientific Adviser at DfID, Professor Gordon Conway • Visit of Cllr Ebrahim Adia and family • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Kashmir with Douglas Alexander • Meeting with 'The Centre for the Cell' (a major new Bioscience Education Centre in East London) |
| 24 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with Alan Beswick on GMR radio about the Science & Technology Select Committee's Report on 'Human Reproductive Technologies and the Law' • Interviews with Tower FM radio about the above subject and about the Prospective Conservative Candidate's letter to The Speaker alleging that Brian has misled the House on deaths caused by dangerous driving in his Constituency • Discussion (1 hour) on Radio Scotland on 'Human Reproductive Technologies and the Law' • Interview with Radio Leeds about the Science & Technology Select Committee's Report on 'Human Reproductive Technologies and the Law' • House Rises for Easter Recess |
| 25 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good Friday |
| 28 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with GMR radio on forensic science |
| 29 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation at Farnworth & Kearsley Labour Club of a letter from the Prime Minister and a signed bottle of House of Commons Whiskey to Kearsley Branch Member Jack Morgan |
| 30 March 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workplace visit to Reality and associated companies at Thynne Street, organised by USDAW |

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| 1 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Cllrs Noel Spencer and David Wilkinson and George Caswell, Jon Lord and Jeff Smethurst about the NW Region's housing allocation • Meeting with Paul Foster from the Manchester Chamber of Commerce (Bolton Office) • Visit to the Farnworth Inclusion Project on the New Bury Estate • Meeting with the Bolton Branch of the Stop the War Coalition |
| 2 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice Surgery at Farnworth Town Hall • Brian gave the closing speech at the NW Regional Conference of the World Development Movement • Pope John Paul II died at 8.37 p.m. |
| 4 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, to finalise the 'Strategic Science Provision in Universities' report • Science & Technology Select Committee, end of Parliament reception |
| 5 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tony Blair saw the Queen and announced the date of the General Election • Meeting of Muslim Friends of Labour, addressed by several Ministers • Last meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party, addressed by PM Tony Blair |
| 6 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on the Nuclear Industry, addressed by John Ramsay, Chief Executive of the Cogent Sector Skills Council • Meeting with the Royal British Legion • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Motor Neurone Disease, addressed by Dame Elizabeth Butler-Sloss, President of the High Court's Family Division (who make end-of-life decisions) |
| 7 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parliament is prorogued |
| 8 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funeral of Pope John Paul II • Election campaign meeting • Official Opening of G & J Seddon Ltd's new offices at Edge Fold, Plodder Lane • 'Satin 'n' Steel' at Octagon Theatre |
| 9 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wedding of Charles and Camilla • Hand-over of Cannon St Health Centre for election campaign |
| 11 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campaign meeting with Rumworth Branch |
| 13 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM of BRASS (Befriending Refugees and Asylum Seekers) • 'Photo opportunity for the BEN - meeting the public in Farnworth precinct |
| 14 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption meeting at Dixon Green Labour Club |

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| 15 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to Zakaria Mosque and shops on Derby Street • Visit to the 'Make Poverty History' vigil in Victoria Square |
| 18 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of cheque to Mayor for the Tsunami Disaster Appeal by the Bolton Council of Mosques • Visit to Shree Swaminarayan Temple on Cannon Street |
| 19 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit with Ruth Kelly, SoS for Education & Skills, to Muslim Girls' School |
| 21 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wilf Taylor died (one day before his 65th birthday) |
| 22 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visits to three mosques and shops on Derby Street |
| 23 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street stall in Farnworth precinct • St George's Day Celebratory Dinner for Mayor's Charity Appeal at Bolton Moat House Hotel |
| 26 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to Edbro's with Derek Simpson, General Secretary of Amicus |
| 27 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official opening of Queensbridge School, Farnworth, by HRH the Duke of Gloucester • Re-dedication of Farnworth War Memorial in the presence of HRH the Duke of Gloucester • Council of Churches hustings meeting at the Friends' Meeting House |
| 28 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mock election at Mount St Joseph's Business & Enterprise College, Farnworth • Hustings meeting at Bolton Sixth Form College, South Campus • Wilf Taylor's funeral at Mere Brow Primitive Wesleyan Chapel and internment at Tarleton Church Yard |
| 29 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bolton Technical Innovation Centre Board meeting • Visits to three mosques and shops on Deane Rd |
| 30 April 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street stall in Victoria Square, Bolton • Visits to Derby Ward Labour Club and the Oasis Club |
| May 2005 | |
| 1 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visits to Dixon Green and Farnworth and Kearsley Labour Clubs |
| 3 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to the Bolton Contact Centre (Optimum), Thynne St, with Ruth Kelly, Labour Party Candidate in Bolton West, and Brendan Barbour, TUC General Secretary, in the presence of David Simons, Chairman of Shop Direct and Littlewoods |
| 4 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Saheli Womens' Group, Emmanuel Church Hall (Rumworth Ward) |
| 5 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GENERAL ELECTION 2005 (Brian's vote: 18,129; Conservatives: 6,491; Liberal Democrats: 6,047; turnout 50.09%; majority 11,638) |

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| 6 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paderborn SDP at Tonge Ward Labour Club |
| 7 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice Surgery at Farnworth Town Hall |
| 8 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Makka Mosque - 10th Annual Holy March/Milad invitation |
| 11 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parliament returns to elect Mr Speaker • Parliamentary Labour Party meeting, addressed by Tony Blair |
| 12 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members of Parliament swear in |
| 14 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bolton Victim and Witness Service's Annual Dinner Dance, Last Drop Village |
| 16 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Scott Walker and Ann Connor from the DfES about funding the Bolton Technical Innovation Centre as a City Learning Centre |
| 17 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State opening of Parliament with the Queen's Speech • Parliamentary Labour Party (PLP) meeting, addressed by Geoff Hoon, new Leader of the House • ITV News reception • Meeting with Dod's Parliamentary Communications |
| 18 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Council Housing Group • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Drugs Misuse Group (Brian is Chairman of this Group), with international speakers ahead of the symposium listed for the 19th May |
| 19 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 2nd UK/European Symposium on Addictive Disorders (Brian gave a short speech during the Opening Session) |
| 20 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board meeting of Bolton Technical Innovation Centre Ltd (Brian is Chairman) • Meeting with David Fillingham, Chief Executive of Bolton NHS Hospitals Trust, and Cllr Cliff Morris, Chairman of the Trust Board • Samaritans Open Day • Meeting with the President and Executive members of the University of Bolton's Student Union • Advice Surgery at Bolton Town Hall |
| 21 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diamond Wedding of Mr & Mrs Hales (Party members) at Little Lever Working Mens' Institute |
| 22 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civic Procession (Cllr Frank White as the new Mayor) to the Parish Church |
| 23 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening of Asda Store at Burnden Park by Nat Lofthouse and the Mayor, Cllr Frank White • AGM of the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee (Brian was re-elected to the position of Treasurer) • Meeting of the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee on 'Ageing - Putting off the Evil Day' followed by a discussion dinner |

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| 24 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with the North West Automotive Alliance, sponsored by the NW Regional Development Agency • Reception, with the Director of the BBC and senior BBC journalists present |
| 26 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House Rises for Whitsun Recess |
| 27 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Lancashire Crown Prosecution Service in Preston regarding death of 5 year-old Hishamul Haque at Camelot • Meeting with Stoneclough Action 2000 and Beyond |
| 31 May 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank-you Party (Jointly with Ruth Kelly MP) at Derby Ward Labour Club |
| June 2005 | |
| 1 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to the Harvey Early Years Centre at the beginning of National Sure Start Month |
| 2 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to Age Concern's drop-in centre (healthy exercise) and luncheon club (healthy eating) at the Quebec Hall by invitation of Age Concern to publicise volunteering |
| 3 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interviews with Tower FM Radio on National Sure Start Month (June), the Council for Voluntary Services's National Volunteer Week (beginning 1 June) and Carers' Week 2005 (beginning 13th June) • The Open University's Conferment of Honorary Degrees and Presentation of NW Graduates, Bridgewater Hall, Manchester • Meeting with Ray Collett, Chairman of the Bolton Council for Voluntary Service (CVS) |
| 4 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice Surgery at Farnworth Town Hall |
| 6 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Homes within Reach', Launch of National Housing Week, addressed by Yvette Cooper, Minister for Housing and Planning • Weekly meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party (PLP), addressed by Jack Straw |
| 7 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Luncheon meeting at the Café Royal to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Health Food Manufacturers' Association • Motor Neurone Disease Association; unveiling of a Fabergé Egg as a tribute to the ex-Celtic football player Jimmy Johnstone (now suffering from MND) by Sara Fabergé and ex-Celtic manager Martin O'Neill • NW Parliamentary briefing by the NW Regional Development Agency |

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| 8 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Council Housing Group • Meeting with the British Lung Foundation • Meeting with Home Office officials and Ministers on ID Cards • Meeting of the Trade Union Group of Labour MP's, addressed by Billy Hayes, General Secretary of the CWU • Meeting of the NW Group of Labour MP's • Breast Cancer Campaign reception (Brian agreed to put down an Early Day Motion to celebrate their fund raising activities for research) |
| 9 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with French MP's on the EU's REACH (Regulation, Evaluation and Authorisation of CHemicals) proposals • Launch of 'Tackle Malaria Today - Give Tomorrow a Chance', a report on an investigation by the All-Party Parliamentary Malaria Group, at Chatham House |
| 10 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian opened the refurbished Jobcentre Plus centre in Farnworth • Q & A session with children at St Andrew's Primary School, Over Hulton • Meeting with the family of Amicie Nwokeochar who was tragically killed at the age of 3 in a road traffic accident • Annual dinner of the Bolton Local Pharmaceutical Committee, Chequers Restaurant, Westhoughton |
| 13 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with MIND • Meeting of the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee on 'The Nuclear Energy Option - Will We Still Need It and, If So, When?' |
| 14 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Photo opportunity with USDAW on College Green to promote 'Carers Week' - juggling work, home and caring • Inaugural meeting of the Associate Parliamentary Health Group • Photo opportunity, followed by a meeting with the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Duchenne muscular dystrophy - lobbying Parliament • Meeting with Citizens Advice Bureau • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Drug Misuse Group (Brian re-elected as Chairman) • Meeting with Remploy • Meeting of Greater Manchester MPs about Metrolink • SmokeFree Liverpool - a reception with those organising the passage of the Bill through Parliament • A celebration of the elevation of the Rt Hon Baroness Ann Taylor of Bolton to the House of Lords at Groom Place (home of Baroness Mary Goudie & James Goudie QC) |

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| 15 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House of Commons Council Housing Group's launch (Press Conference) of 'Support for the "Fourth Option" for Council Housing' • Photo opportunity with the Health & Safety Executive, promoting the avoidance of occupationally-caused back pain • Meeting of the 'Minus 10 Group of Labour MPs', campaigning on health funding in deprived communities • Labour Middle East Council Executive Committee meeting (Brian was elected one of two Vice-Chairs) • CRY (Cardiac Risk in the Young) Parliamentary reception |
| 16 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with Channel 5 TV News on magic mushrooms for transmission during the Glastonbury Festival |
| 17 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Paul Foster from the Chamber of Commerce • Meeting of the Labour Group prior to the following meeting • Meeting of Social Services North West with the Local Government Association at Bolton Town Hall • Visit to the Holland & Barrett store in Bolton Town Centre • Advice Surgery at Bolton Town Hall |
| 20 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with a market research organisation about the newly created University of Manchester • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Pharmacy Group • Meeting of Labour Friends of India • Weekly meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party, addressed by Ruth Kelly MP • Meeting of SIGOMA [The Special Interest Group of Municipal Authorities (Outside London) Within the LGA] |
| 21 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Royal Society of Chemistry's 'Annual Parliamentary Links Day' addressed by PM Tony Blair and SoS Hilary Benn - 'Science and the New Parliament: The G8 Agenda' (Brian hosted this meeting) • Year of the Volunteer 2005 Tea Party (organised by The Experience Corps) to recognize older volunteer 'heroes' - Brian nominated Christine Taylor (actually lives in Horwich but works in Bolton SE for Home Start; also works at Bolton Hospice as a volunteer) - Ruth Kelly also joined Brian briefly • Meeting with the British Nuclear Energy Society • Cadbury Schweppes reception to celebrate the Centenary of Cadbury Dairy Milk Chocolate |

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| 22 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with Tower FM Radio on Tax Credits • Fourth Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation to consider the Draft Unauthorised Encampments (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Cuba • Meeting of Northern Region MPs to discuss 'Governance in the Regions' • Briefing meeting with Consumers for Health Choice on the EU Food Supplements Directive, now the subject of a European Court of Justice hearing with a final verdict to be handed down on 12 July |
| 24 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of Achievement Awards at Rumworth School • Board meeting of Bolton Technical Innovation Centre Ltd (Brian is Chairman) • Annual General Meeting of the Bolton Community College: keynote speaker was Ruth Kelly MP • Meeting with Regional Director of the Open University at the Bolton Technical Innovation Centre • Presentation of petition by Amicie Nwokeochar's family at the Highfield shopping parade (Cllr Laurie Williamson attended to receive petition) |
| 27 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party, addressed by Alan Milburn and Ian McCartney • Meeting with Health Minister Lord Warrener |
| 28 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homelessness summit, addressed by John Bird, Editor in Chief of The Big Issue • Meeting of the Associate Parliamentary Health Group, addressed by Sir Nigel Crisp, CE of the NHS • Photo opportunity with the Alzheimer's Society to promote their 'Awareness Week' • Meeting with the National Association of Local Councils • 'A Future Palestine: A Viable State or a State Prison'; a meeting organised by Clare Short and the Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions, addressed by Jeff Halper • AGM of the Parliamentary Warm Homes Group (Brian was re-elected Treasurer and Chaired the meeting) • Discussion dinner with Royal Mail Group plc |
| 29 June 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with a delegation from Japan who invited Brian to attend the Second Annual Science & Technology Society forum in Kyoto in September 2005 • Meeting with MacMillan Cancer Relief • AGM of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association UK Branch • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Friends of Islam Group • Meeting with the Secretary of State for Health, Patricia Hewitt • Meeting of the Parliamentary Space Committee |

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| July 2005 | |
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| 1 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian presented cheques from the Community Chest & Community Learning Chest Grant Funds on behalf of the Bolton Council for Voluntary Service, Victoria Hall |
| 2 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice Surgery at Farnworth Town Hall • VE/VJ Day Commemorative Concert, Albert Hall |
| 4 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with Tower FM Radio about 'Climate Change' and the G8 Conference in Gleneagles • Meeting with Greater Manchester Strategic Health Authority • Weekly meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party, addressed by Gareth Thomas (DfID) • Reception to mark Veterans' Awareness Week |
| 5 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM of the All-Party Group for Multiple Sclerosis • AGM of the All-Party Group for Vaccine Damaged Children • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Britain-Palestine Group (Brian was re-elected as Secretary to the Group), addressed by Afif Safieh, Palestine General Delegate in London • Meeting with Jim Fitzpatrick, Minister responsible at the ODPM for regionalisation of fire service control rooms (nine planned) • Meeting of the Parliamentary University Group, addressed by Ruth Kelly • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Non-Profit Making Members' Clubs |
| 6 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with the Fire Brigades Union All-Party Parliamentary Group about the lobby on fire control centres • London wins the 2012 Olympic bid • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on ME • Cross party meeting on the EU Food Supplements Directive, organised by Brian, with the Minister for Public Health, Caroline Flint • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Kashmir • Brian hosted the Annual Parliamentary Reception of the Health Food Manufacturers' Association • Brian hosted a Cancer Research UK briefing on the new Manchester Comprehensive Cancer Centre, a partnership involving the University of Manchester, the Paterson Institute for Cancer Research, the Christie Hospital and Cancer Research UK • BT Innovation Showcase, QEII Centre |
| 7 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.56 a.m. First of four explosions in the north of zone 1, London • Parliamentary Affairs Committee at the Royal Society of Chemistry, Burlington House, Piccadilly (Brian is a Fellow of the RSC and one of two of their Parliamentary Advisers) • Interview with BBC GMR Radio about the London bomb incidents |

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| 8 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with Channel M TV on the London bombs • Meeting with Directors of Bolton Technical Innovation Centre Ltd • Meeting with Alan Grant from Zentek • Brian gave a speech at the Morton Hall Community Centre in Macclesfield defending council housing against transfer on behalf of 'Macclesfield Against Transfer' |
| 10 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VJ/VE Days Civic Parade and Commemoration Service at the Parish Church |
| 11 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Haemophilia • Meeting with the Chief Whip on membership of the Science & Technology Select Committee • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for the Markets Industry (Brian was elected as a Joint Chairman of the Committee) • Weekly meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party, announcement of Select Committees membership (with the exception of the Science & Technology and Welsh Affairs Select Committees) • Meeting of the Council of the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee • Meeting of the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee on 'Plastic Waste - Toxic Rubbish or Strategic Resource' |
| 12 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with UNISON on the employment rights of Registration Officers (Brian is the Honorary Patron of the Society of Registration Officers and has been campaigning for eight years on this issue) • AGM of the All-Party Bahrain Parliamentary Group • AGM and meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for the Aluminium Industry • First Labour Backbench Forum • Meeting of the PLP Health and Social Services Committee, addressed by Rosie Winterton on dental services • Meeting of the PLP Education and Skills Committee, addressed by Ruth Kelly and Jacqui Smith on how schools will benefit from the London Olympics in 2012 • Calor Gas reception, 'Clean Energy for the Country' |

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| 13 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the All Party Parliamentary Warm Homes Group (Brian is Treasurer to this Group), at which Sir John Mogg, Chair of Ofgem, presented Ofgem's 'Social Action Strategy 2005-2010 Consultation Document' • Meeting with John Healey, Financial Secretary at the Treasury, about the employment rights of Registration Officers (and the possibility of Brian steering through a 10 Minute Rule Bill, to be presented in October) • Joint meeting of the Palestine Solidarity Campaign and CND on Israel's weapons of mass destruction • Meeting with the NSPCC (Annual Parliamentary Reception) • AGM of the All-Party Parliamentary FRAME (Fund for the Replacement of Animals in Medical Experiments) Group • The Royal Society of Chemistry's Summer Party at the Royal Academy of Arts in Burlington House, Piccadilly |
| 14 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with Tower FM Radio about the award of an Honorary Fellowship by the University of Bolton • Brian hosted a dinner at the House of Commons for the Presidents of the American Society of Chemistry and the Royal Society of Chemistry and their guests |
| 15 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian gave a brief welcoming speech at the FLOSSIE conference at the Bolton Technical Innovation Centre • Brian received one of the first four Honorary Fellowships to be awarded by the new University of Bolton • Brian joined Ruth Kelly, Secretary of State for Education for a meeting at the Bolton Girls' Muslim School • Advice Surgery at Bolton Town Hall |
| 18 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Amgen about NICE's review of the drug erythropoietin, used to treat anaemia in people suffering from cancer • Meeting of the Officers of the All-Party Parliamentary Drugs Misuse Group • Meeting of the Programme Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee • Meeting with Bionow, the biotechnology industry in the NW • Launch of the Dalton Nuclear Institute, University of Manchester, at the Royal Academy of Engineering |
| 19 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Briefing for a Commonwealth Parliamentary Association delegation to Jamaica in September (Brian has been invited to lead this delegation) • Telecommunications mast forum • Meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party's Office of the Deputy Prime Minister backbench committee • European Standing Committee, to discuss the EU Contribution to the Global Fund to fight HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (this Select Committee has not been set up yet, so ordinary backbench MPs service it currently) • Labour Housing Group Summer Members Event at Old Queen St (Labour Party HQ) - Nick Raynsford is the new President |

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| 20 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inaugural meeting of the Science & Technology Select Committee (Brian has been re-appointed) • 'Bugs, Drugs and Hospitals - Bacterial Infections and Antibiotic Resistance: What to Do?', seminar jointly organised by the Parliamentary Office of Science & Technology and the Wellcome Trust • Meeting of the NW Group of Labour MPs, addressed by James Purnell |
| 21 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bolton's Mayor and Mayoress (Cllr Frank and Eileen White) visit London • Meeting with the Prime Minister's Office about the London bombings (the second wave was taking place as we met) and relations with our Muslim communities • Parliament rises for the Summer Recess |
| 22 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the Board (Brian is Chairman) of Bolton Technical Innovation Centre Ltd • Meeting with the Principal and her Deputy at Bolton Community College • Apna Diversity Awards dinner at the Festival Hall, Bolton |
| 24 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atcha wedding at the Festival Hall, Bolton |
| 28 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with DfES civil servants at the Bolton Technical Innovation Centre |
| 29 July 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with Tower FM Radio on IVF Treatment in the NHS |
| August 2005 | |
| 2 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of Darcy Lever Residents' Association at the Farmer's Arms, Darcy Lever |
| 3 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunchtime meeting with business members of the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce, Bridgeman Place, Bolton • Interview with Channel 4 TV News about asylum seekers (this news item was based on the Sukula case - Brian's interview not broadcast) • Little Lever Branch meeting |
| 4 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Bolton United for Peace; Vigil for peace', Victoria Sq, Bolton |
| 5 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to Zentek Ltd (Gt Lever Ward) to celebrate the first anniversary of the launch of their forensic science service • Visit to Olmec Studios Ltd at the University of Bolton, a spin-out company involved in cutting edge CGI animated films |
| 6 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice Surgery at Farnworth Town Hall • Barbecue at Shirley Marsland's home (fund raiser for Astley Bridge Branch) |
| 7 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of Cricket trophies (Leighton Cup final) at the Deane and Derby Indian Cricket Club |

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| 8 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A two hour discussion about mis-use of drugs (including tobacco, alcohol) with children attached to the Youth Inclusion Project on the New Bury Estate in Farnworth • Visit to Bolton Hospice |
| 10 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leverhulme Area Forum (covering Little Lever, Darcy Lever, Burnden [now Great Lever Ward] and The Haulgh [now Tonge with The Haulgh Ward]) |
| 11 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Jim Keaton, a member of the Board of Bolton Technical Innovation Ltd • Meeting with BCOM (Bolton Council of Muslims) |
| 12 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Terrorism - A Community Discussion', a meeting organised in the form of a Q & A session (Rumworth Ward) by 4JustPeace (the panel members were Brian, Maulana Rashid from the Zakaria Mosque, Tariq Saeid of the Muslim Public Affairs Committee, and Aamer Anwer, a high-profile human rights lawyer from Glasgow) |
| 15 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civic VJ Day Commemoration Service, Victoria Square • Meeting with Margaret Blenkinsop, Director of Education and Culture (Bolton MBC) and Brian Shaw, Deputy Director about financing Bolton Technical Innovation Centre Ltd • Meeting of the Bolton & Bury Co-operative Party |
| 16 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interviews with Tower FM and GMR radio stations about reform of the Human Fertility and Embryology Act (HFEA) 1990 • Meetings with Paul Abbott, General Manager of Bolton Innovation Centre Ltd and Keith Harris, Business Manager of the TIC |
| 18 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian leaves for a City Break in Barcelona |
| 19 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telephone interviews with GMR and Tower FM radio on ViSOR (the Violent and Sex Offenders' Register); rolled out across the UK today (Brian campaigned for this following the violent murder of Ryan Mason in Great Lever) |
| 22 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian returns from Barcelona |
| 24 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Greater Manchester Learning & Skills Council • Interview with GMR (Drive Time Programme) on the use of animals in medical research • South Area Forum, Brandwood Street School |
| 25 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting at the Technical Innovation Centre with the Bolton 'Excellence Clusters' Headteacher Co-ordinators • Visit to the Consulate General of Pakistan, Dickinson Road, Manchester for a performance of the Pakistan Pipe Band |
| 27 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • African Community Association of Bolton, First Anniversary Fund Raising Event, Rumworth Club |
| 28 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of Cricket trophies (Walkden Cup final) at the Deane and Derby Indian Cricket Club |

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| 30 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Farnworth and Kearsley Area Forum, Trinity Church, Market Street, Farnworth |
| 31 August 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with representatives of the Quakers on destitute failed asylum seekers and Section 9 of the 2004 Act, piloted in Bolton Bolton Mountain Rescue - dedication of new caravan control centre and Investment in People Award presentation, Ladybridge Hall (Heaton Ward) |
| September 2005 | |
| 2 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interview with Key 103 radio about prostitution - they are putting together a programme to coincide with the Danielle Moorcroft trial, expected to begin 13 September Visit to Thomas Moore Court in Kearsley with Cllr Noel Spencer to meet the residents of St Vincent's Housing Association at a 'fun day' |
| 3 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advice Surgery at Farnworth Town Hall |
| 5 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bolton SE CLP Executive and Management Committee meetings, Dixon Green Labour Club |
| 6 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting of the Editorial Board of 'Science in Parliament' in London, published by the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee (Brian is taking over as Editor to edit four editions a year) |
| 7 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with Bolton Metro's Commercial Services Department about facilities for cricket on public parks, attended by representatives of Bolton Metro League and Cllr Ansar Hussain Meeting with Stoneclough Action 2000 and Beyond at the Community Centre, Stoneclough Meeting at Manchester City Hall about Parliamentary Boundary Changes in Greater Manchester, organised by the NW Regional Office of the Labour Party |
| 8 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting at the Bolton Technical Innovation Centre Visit to the Reebok Stadium of Home Office Minister Paul Goggins MP to consult representatives of the Muslim communities on recent events in London and Government proposals on further legislation |
| 9 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family funeral Briefing at Hayward School ahead of a Ministerial delegation to London to lobby about rebuilding the school |
| 10 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brian attended the 25th Anniversary Memorial Service of the MV Derbyshire Families Association (the Derbyshire sank in the South Pacific with the loss of 44 lives. Brian joined the successful campaign to re-open the public inquiry, and has campaigned on safety at sea issues ever since), St Nicholas' Church, Pier Head, Liverpool |
| 11 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bolton v Blackburn at the Reebok Stadium |

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| 12 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with Tower FM radio on the rises in fuel prices and the threatened refinery blockades • Meeting with Roy Whittle, Principal of Bolton Sixth Form College re post-16 re-organisation in Bolton |
| 13 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vision of the Future Steering Group meeting at the Reebok Stadium • Travel to London |
| 14 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Annette del Perrera of the National Treatment Agency • Lobby from Bolton to replace Hayward School, with Minister for Schools, Jacqui Smith |
| 15 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bolton CVS 15th Birthday Event • Bolton Hospitals NHS Trust AGM, Royal Bolton Hospital • Meeting with Head Teacher at Hayward School |
| 16 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NW Regional Development Agency's Annual Meeting at the Manchester International Convention Centre (G-Mex), addressed by Terry Waite • Advice Surgery at Bolton Town Hall |
| 18 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GMP ('K' Division) Open Day at Astley Bridge Police Station • Brian opened a debate on 'The Impact of Terrorism on our Communities' at the Parish Hall, organised by the Interfaith Council |
| 19 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question & Answer session at St. William of York RC Primary School, Nugent Road |
| 20 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Premiere of the Danny Cannon film 'Goal', Cineworld, The Valley, Bolton |
| 21 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian gave a speech on 'Asylum Applications' at Wood Street Socialist Club |
| 24 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian left for Jamaica to lead a Commonwealth Parliamentary Association visit to the Kingston Parliament |
| 25 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPA visit to Jamaica |
| 26 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPA visit to Jamaica |
| 27 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPA visit to Jamaica |
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| 30 September 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPA visit to Jamaica |
| October 2005 | |
| 1 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian left Kingston for Montega Bay (holiday) |
| 5 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian returned from holiday |

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| 6 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening of the Olive Press Restaurant in Nelson Square - Charity Evening for the Lads and Girls Club |
| 7 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the Bolton Technical Innovation Centre Board (Brian is its Chairman) |
| 10 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parliament returns after the Summer Recess • Brian Chaired a meeting of the House of Lord's and House of Common's Science & Technology Select Committee Members with Noble Prize Winner (for chemistry) Professor Aaron Ciechanover • Launch of the "Access all Ages" campaign by MIND • Launch of the "Reputation Matters" campaign by the Local Government Association • Weekly meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party, addressed by Tony Blair • Emergency meeting of the Labour Middle East Council Executive Committee |
| 11 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seminar with Minister Elliot Morley on the Warm Front initiative • Photo opportunity with the RSPCA for "Farm Animal Week" • Meeting with the Medical Technology Group • Meeting organised by the Labour Middle East Council to discuss post-disengagement Gaza (Speaker - Lucy Mair from Human Rights Watch in Jerusalem) • Meeting with Tony McNulty and Brigit Prentice to discuss the Right of Appeal on Visitor's Visas • Meeting with SoS for Health, Patricia Hewitt to discuss the reform agenda in the NHS |
| 12 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hayward School won £12 million today to rebuild the school (the first secondary school to receive such money) • Private meeting of the Science & Technology Select Committee • PLP backbench Health & Social Services Committee • PLP backbench Education and Skills Committee |
| 13 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Kashmir Group with Hilary Benn, SoS at DfID • Photo opportunity with Sir Steve Redgrave, organised by Lloydspharmacy to publicise diabetes testing services • 'Science meets Politics', a discussion evening at The Royal Institution |
| 14 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian supported the Second Reading of Marsha Singh's Private Member's Bill, Employment Tribunal (Representation and Assistance in Discrimination Proceedings) Bill • 'Socialism - Still Hope in the World?', a discussion forum at Wood Street Socialist Club to celebrate their Centenary Month |
| 15 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Iftaari (Breaking Fast) 2005 event at Zakariyya Central Masjid, Derby St |

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| 17 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launch of the Meeting of Minds (a European-wide Citizens' Deliberation on Brain Science) 'UK National Citizens' Report • Parliamentary Briefing on the Asylum, Immigration and Nationality Act 2005 (Flores Sukula was a guest speaker) • Meeting of the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee (Brian is Treasurer of the P & SC) on 'Complementary & Alternative Medicine: Should it be Provided on the NHS?' |
| 18 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with GMR about the Moorcroft trial and the dangers of on-street prostitution • Meeting with the British Association of Pharmaceutical Wholesalers • 'Life Valued - Euthanasia in Perspective', a meeting organised by CARE • Great Lever Neighbourhood Partnership visit the House of Commons • Federation of Irish Societies meet the Labour Party • Meeting with Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Authority about the future of rail in the NW • Joint meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Warm Homes Group (Brian is the Treasurer) with PRASEG • Launch of the State of the Nation Report 2005 by the Institute of Civil Engineers |
| 19 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence from the CEO of the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) and holding a question time with the Minister of Science, Lord Sainsbury • Open meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Kashmir with the Kashmiri community, with Gareth Thomas MP and Dr Lodhi, High Commissioner for Pakistan to answer questions on the earthquake disaster • Meeting of Labour Friends of Remploy (Brian was elected Vice-Chairman of this Group) • Meeting of the NW Group of Labour Members of Parliament, with the new Regional Director (Sheila Murphy) present |
| 20 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Pfizer Award for Innovative Science in Europe, Awarded to Prof. Hilary Calvert, the Northern Institute for Cancer Research, Newcastle, for his work in oncology, presented at a dinner at the Science Museum, Kensington |
| 21 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian supported the Second Readings of The Armed Forces (Parliamentary Approval for Participation in Armed Conflict) Bill (Claire Short) and The Road Safety and Parking Bill (Sally Keeble) • Presentation Evening at Farnworth and Kearsley Labour Club (Brian presented Jimmy Scoular with a certificate and a message from Tony Blair for his 25 years service to the Club) |

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| 24 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian spoke on the dangers of illicit drugs at a conference at the Friends' Meeting House, organised by the Respect Counselling and Mentoring Project, as part of Black History Month • 'Westminster Flu Day 2005', a photo opportunity and a chance to have a flu vaccination • Weekly meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party, addressed by Geoff Hoon as Leader of the House |
| 25 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Council Housing Group • Meeting of the All- Party Parliamentary Drugs Misuse Group (Brian is Chairman), addressed by Paul Goggins, Under-Secretary of State at the Home Office • Briefing meeting with Hilary Benn MP, SoS at DfID, just returned from Pakistan and Kashmir |
| 26 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, away day to plan the work of this Parliament at Dorney Lake, Eton (where the Olympic rowing teams train) • 'Today in Parliament' reception to celebrate their 60th Anniversary |
| 28 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Minister Liam Byrne MP visited the Royal Bolton Hospital • Interview with GMR on Iran |
| 29 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'CSV Make a Difference Day' - Brian joined students from the University of Bolton and the Gravel Pits Action Group for coppicing at the Darcy Lever end of the Moses Gate Country Park • Fairtrade Fashion Show at St Andrew and St George United Reform Church, St George's Road, Bolton • Wood St Socialist Club - last night of their Centenary Celebrations |
| 30 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with Radio (Ramadan) Sangam |
| 31 October 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the Membership Panel of the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee (Brian is Treasurer of the P & SC) • Weekly meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party; discussion on the future of the Trident programme with John Reid in attendance |

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| 1 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UK Research Councils Energy Research Summit, addressed by the Chief Scientific Officer, Sir David King, Energy Minister Malcolm Wicks, and Prof. John O'Reilly, CE of the EPSRC (Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council) • Seminar on biofuels, organised by the Environmental Industries Commission, with Sir Crispin Tickell as one of several speakers • Royal Society of Chemistry's Parliamentary launch of Chemistry Week 2005, and presentation of a special President's Award to author Bill Bryson (who wrote 'The History of Just About Everything')(Brian hosted this event as the Parliamentary Adviser to the RSC on the Labour benches) |
| 2 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence from the Minister for HE, Bill Rammell and Sir Howard Newby, CE of HEFCE (the Higher Education Funding Council) • Meeting of the 'Labour PCT Below Target Group' (formerly the '-10 Group of Labour MP's')(Brian was appointed to the Executive as a representative of the NW MP's) • NSPCC Hall of Fame, presentations to a number of celebrities (Peter Andre, Floella Benjamin, Jasper Carrot, who could not attend, Mat Dawson, whose father picked up his award, Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen, Davina McCall, who could not attend, and Alec Stewart) for their financial help • Launch of National Energy Action's Fuel Poverty Handbook • Meeting of the NW Group of Labour MP's, attended by Gordon Brown |
| 4 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian presented NVQ Certificates and other awards at Remploy, Manchester Road, Bolton • Brian gave evidence at the Boundary Review Inquiry, Town Hall, Bolton • Diwali Party, Greenfields Club, Westhoughton, a fund-raiser for the Pakistan/Kashmir earthquake disaster, organised by APNA News |
| 5 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice Surgery at Farnworth Town Hall (Dr Charles Eaton in attendance as an observer - see 14 November entry) |
| 7 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview on misuse of fireworks and attacks on firefighters on GMR • Meeting with the Association of University Teachers (Brian's union) • Opening in the Upper Waiting Hall, Palace of Westminster, of the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies Centre's Exhibition by Gordon Brown, Chancellor • Meeting of 'One Voice' - young Palestinians and Israelis campaigning for peace in the Middle East • Weekly meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party, addressed by Tony Blair |

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| 8 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with GMR about the malicious letters that Brian has received on immigration • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Cuba • Interview with 'The Revolution' a radio station based in Oldham on the malicious letters that Brian has received on immigration • Inaugural meeting of the Dying Well Naturally All-Party Parliamentary Group • Commonwealth Parliamentary Association lunch for Members of Commonwealth Legislatures visiting the CPA UK Branch • 'Is Animal Experimentation Helpful to Medicine?', a meeting organised by Europeans for Medical Progress • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Hepatology Group • Meeting of the Trade Union Group of Labour MP's • Brian hosted a dinner for the ABPI (Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry) NW Pharmaceutical Group |
| 9 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, private meeting followed by a seminar on carbon capture and storage • 'Kashmir after the Earthquake: Rebuilding Together', meeting organised by Justice Foundation; Kashmir Centre • 'Innovations in Science', NESTA (National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts) Parliamentary Reception (Paul Abbott attended from Bolton TIC) • Meeting with the Universities of Hull & York about their bid for a dental school • Police Service Parliamentary Scheme Annual Reception |
| 10 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Britain-Palestine Group (Brian is the Secretary of this Group) to discuss the future of Bethlehem • Meeting with the Prime Minister at 10 Downing Street to discuss Government's relationships with Muslim communities • Meeting with the RNID (Royal National Institute for the Deaf) |
| 11 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Chemistry: Food for Thought', an event organised at the Bolton Technical Innovation Centre (Brian is Chairman of the Board and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry) by the Aim Higher Project of the Royal Society of Chemistry as part of Chemistry Week |
| 12 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concert of Remembrance at the Albert Hall, Bolton |
| 13 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance at the Remembrance Sunday Services at Farnworth War Memorial (where Brian laid a wreath)(this was the last such service conducted by the Revd. Brian Hartley, the first time that Farnworth and Kearsley Royal British Legions and the Farnworth Veterans' Association had all paraded together through Farnworth) and Bolton Victoria Square |

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| 14 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting at the Royal Society (Brian is paired for the year with a mathematician from the University of Manchester, Dr Charles Eaton - in London throughout this week) • Council meeting of the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee • Meeting with Government Office NW for a briefing on the Regional Transport Funding Bid • Meeting of the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee on 'Risk Management' |
| 15 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tour of the Houses of Parliament with Martin Donaghy <i>et al.</i> • Meeting with Minister Yvette Cooper MP at the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (Eland House) of representatives of the Local Housing Authorities of the three Northern Regions (NW, NE and Yorkshire & Humberside), arranged by Brian (George Caswell and Cllr Noel Spencer attended from Bolton) • Brian hosted an evening reception, sponsored by Slimming World, for the Westminster Health & Diet Forum |
| 16 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence for the inquiry into 'Carbon Capture and Storage' • Brian gave a presentation to the Heads of Chemistry Departments in the UK at the HQ of The Royal Society of Chemistry (of which Brian is Parliamentary Adviser and a Fellow) on 'Science in Parliament' • Memorial Event in the House of Lords for Stan Orme (the speakers were Michael Foot, Lord Merlyn-Rees, Neil Kinnock, Doug Hoyle and Brian Conlon (Stan's former bodyguard when he was N Ireland Secretary) • Meeting with the Biosciences Federation • Meeting with Punch Taverns plc |
| 17 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch at the Royal Society with fellow Members of Parliament and their 'pairs' (Brian is paired with Dr Charles Eaton, a mathematician at the University of Manchester) • Meeting with Phil Hope MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Skills at the DfES on the Government's White Paper |
| 18 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question & Answer session at Prestolee Primary School • Launch of 'Bridging the Gap' (a joint venture between the University of Bolton and the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce - Bolton) at the University of Bolton, addressed by Ruth Kelly MP, SoS for Education & Skills • Question & Answer session at Brandwood Community School • Advice Surgery at Bolton Town Hall |
| 20 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public meeting at the 3D's Centre to raise money for the Kashmir/Pakistan earthquake, organised by the Bolton Relief Society |
| 21 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for the Market Traders' Industry • Weekly meeting of the PLP, addressed by Ruth Kelly on the Education White Paper |

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| 22 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee visited the Home Office Scientific Development Branch at Sandridge, St. Albans • Meeting with Consumers for Health Choice, addressed by Caroline Flint MP |
| 23 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, follow up session for the 'Forensic Science' inquiry, attended by Home Office Minister Andy Burnham MP, Constitutional Affairs Minister Harriet Harman, and Lord Goldsmith, Attorney General • Brian presented his 10 Minute Rule Bill, The Registration Service Bill • Meeting on the earthquake in Kashmir and Pakistan to discuss the effect of amputations and the provision of centres to fit artificial limbs to what could be 10,000 amputees • All-Party Parliamentary Warm Homes Group Annual Dinner, Minister of Energy, Malcolm Wicks, as guest speaker |
| 24 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parliamentary Affairs Committee of the Royal Society of Chemistry (Brian is a Fellow and Parliamentary Adviser to the RSC) |
| 25 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question and answer session at Cherry Tree Primary School (Harper Green Ward) • The Mayor of Bolton's Citizen of the Year Awards and Charity Luncheon at the Reebok Stadium • Visit to a home in Rumworth Ward to publicise Warm Homes Week (Brian is Treasurer to the All-Party Parliamentary Warm Homes Group) |
| 28 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, visit to BP at Sunbury on Thames to discuss carbon capture and storage technologies • Weekly meeting of the PLP, addressed by Gordon Brown • Meeting with John Reid to discuss defence issues • National (Drug) Treatment Agency reception |
| 29 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting organised by CAABU (Council for Arab-British Understanding) to allow Members recently returned from the occupied Palestinian territories to report back • Meeting organised by the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association to allow Dr Maleeha Lodhi, High Commissioner for Pakistan, to give a report on the current situation regarding aid for victims of the earthquake in Pakistan and Azad Kashmir • Annual General Meeting of the Inter-Parliamentary Union British Group • Meeting organised by the Palestinian Solidarity Campaign and CAABU on the UN's International Day for Palestine (Brian spoke at the end of this meeting) |

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| 30 November 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking oral evidence for a short inquiry into 'Avian Flu' • Meeting with the Association for International Cancer Research, involving a PSA test and information on prostate cancer • Third Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation to consider the draft Police & Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (Codes of Practice) Order 2005 • Parliamentary reception to launch Children's Cancer Awareness Month • Meeting with the Nuclear Industry Association • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Britain-Palestine Group (Brian is the Secretary of this Group), addressed by His Excellency Prof. Manuel Hassassian, the new UK Palestinian General Delegate (equivalent to an Ambassador of a State) • Meeting of the NW Group of Labour MP's, addressed by Liam Byrne on PCT re-organisations and by Margaret Hodge on Incapacity Benefit and the Welfare to Work programme • Meeting of the Cancer Campaigning Group, addressed by Prof. Mike Richards, the Government's cancer tsar |
| December 2005 | |
| 1 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, visit to the Chief Scientific Advisers Committee at the DTI • Inaugural meeting of European Capital of Culture 2008 (Liverpool) All-Party Parliamentary Group (Chairman Kevin Meagher was there) • StopAidsCampaign - 'photo opportunity to recognise World Aids Day' • Meeting with SoS Ruth Kelly at the DfES about her White Paper on Education • The e-Politix Charity Champion Awards 2005 |
| 2 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian's Registration Service Bill was listed for its Second Reading today (Eric Forth MP objected, so the Bill is rescheduled for 20 January 2006) |
| 5 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview with Tower FM radio on the Chancellor's pre-Budget Report • BBC Reception on their Christmas coverage for radio and TV (a number of stars were present, including Bruce Forsyth, Barbara Windsor, Alan Titmarsh and stars from 'Dead Ringers') • Weekly meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party, addressed by Jack Straw • British Aerospace reception |

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| 6 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian, as leader of the delegation, reported back, in the presence of HE the High Commissioner (Ms Gail Mathurin) for Jamaica and colleagues from both Houses of Parliament, on a Commonwealth Parliamentary Association visit to Jamaica (26 September-! October inclusive) • SET (Science, Engineering & Technology) for Britain poster competition event for young engineers (Brian welcomed them to Parliament) • Joint meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Drugs Misuse and Hepatology Groups (which Brian chaired)(Prof. Graham Foster, Professor of Hepatology at Queen Mary College was the guest speaker) |
| 7 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, taking evidence from industrialists and green NGO's for the inquiry into 'Carbon Capture and Storage' • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Pharmaceutical Industry Group on 'Counterfeit Pharmaceuticals' • NHS Confederation reception |
| 8 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Britain-Palestine Group (Brian Secretary to this APG) to discuss human rights abuses in Israel and Palestine with four NGO's operating in this area • Granada TV Christmas reception • Presentation of House Magazine Parliamentary Awards 2005 (Robin Cook was awarded posthumously the Lifetime Achievement Awards, accepted by his two sons) |
| 9 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Bolton MBC to discuss the Government grant to support Council Tax for 2006/07 (new rules have been introduced which has caused a considerable shift of funds to London Boroughs) |
| 11 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian attended the 90th birthday party of Prof. Hans Suschitzky with whom he worked for many years at Salford University's Department of Chemistry & Applied Chemistry (now closed) |
| 12 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the Programme Sub-committee of the Parliamentary & Scientific Committee (Brian is Treasurer to the P & SC) • Meeting of SIGOMA (The Special Interest Group of Municipal Authorities [Outside London] Within the LGA) to discuss the Local Government Settlement • Weekly meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party, addressed by David Milliband (Brian raised Bolton's poor Local Government settlement) • Annual 'Works Outing and Xmas Party' at the Albert in Victoria Street |

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| 13 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of 'Sukula family petition' by the Bolton Evening News to Home Office Minister Tony McNulty • Interview on above event with Granada TV • Meeting of Officers of the Labour Friends of Remploy Group (Brian is their Vice-Chairman) • Parliamentary Labour Party Office 'Drop-in Day' • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Mountain Rescue and Search Teams Group • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary University Group • BBSRC 'Celebrating 10 Years of the Biotechnology Young Entrepreneurs Scheme', meeting in the Dali Universe Centre (County Hall) |
| 14 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science & Technology Select Committee, final oral evidence taking session for the inquiry into 'Carbon Capture and Storage' • Meeting with the International Myeloma Foundation • Meeting with the Residential Property Tribunal Service • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Warm Homes Group, addressed by Minister Elliot Morley and by John Clough, CEO of Eaga Group (administrators of the Government's Warm Front Scheme) • 2005 Annual General Meeting of the Labour Middle East Council • Meeting over dinner of Labour Members of the Science & Technology Select Committee with NESTA (National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts) |
| 16 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question and answer session with the School Council at Harper Green Arts College • Board meeting at Bolton Technical Innovation Centre Ltd (Brian is Chairman of the Board) • Meeting at Bradshaw, Gass & Hope (Architects) in Silverwell St • Advice Surgery at Bolton Town Hall |
| 19 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Council Housing Group with Ministers David Miliband and Yvette Cooper |
| 20 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parliament rises for the Christmas Recess |
| 21 December 2005 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to The Royal Bolton Hospital to thank WRVS voluntary and paid workers for the work they do for patients |