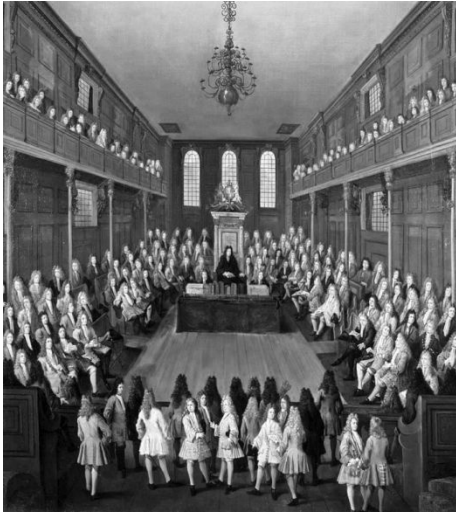


House of Commons

The lower house of the British
Parliament.



Conference Room of the House of Commons, Palace of Westminster, London



The history

- Parliament has evolved from the council with the king in the Middle Ages. This royal council, which met for a short period, including the clergy, nobles, and representatives of the county. The primary concern of this meeting was to approve taxes proposed by the Crown. Gradually,



Elections

- Elected for five years by universal, equal suffrage by secret ballot. Elections to the House of Commons may be general (extending for the entire territory of the country) or intermediate (conducted additionally in some constituencies). The order is given by the Lord Chancellor and



Members of the House of Commons can not be:

1. Foreigners
2. Some officials, in particular - the members of the House of Lords
3. State civil and military employees
4. Persons imprisoned for treason
5. Persons suffering from mental illness
6. Bankrupts
7. A person found guilty of illegal and dishonest practices in the election



Structure

- The number of elected members of the House of Commons corresponds to the number of electoral districts. Its members in the word "members of parliament". Members of Parliament may not simultaneously be elected to the House of Lords. In accordance with the constitutional practice the Prime Minister of the party with the most seats in the House of Commons becomes the Prime Minister.



Officials

- The Speaker
- Deputy Speaker
- Leader
- Clerk



Political parties

Party	Number of seats
The Conservative Party	303
labor party	252
The Liberal Democratic Party	57
The Democratic Unionist Party	8
The Scottish National Party	6
Sinn Fein	5
Green Party of England and Wales	1

Relationship with the Government

- The Chamber does not choose the prime minister, it indirectly controls the premiership. Sovereign choose someone who can get the support of the House - usually the head of the largest party in the lower palate. No formal appointment of the



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