

Responses tracker for external consultations and inquiries

Live consultations & inquiries

Newly launched consultation or inquiry
Recommend BU responds
Would be good to respond, but not critical
Of interest only, not planning to respond – will track outcomes
Awaiting launch
New or updated information

	Consultations and Select Committee inquiries	Type	Deadline	Lead	Progress update
	Education Committee inquiry into adult skills and lifelong learning	Inquiry	15 Aug 2019 (Thurs)	N/A	We will not submit to this inquiry. Following for outcomes.
	ESRC national consultation on leadership development within social sciences . Submit by email to: m.flinders@sheffield.ac.uk	Consultation	16 Aug 2019 (Fri)	Amanda Lazar	Amanda Lazar leading response for RDS. Due to Policy/UET for review on 9 August.
	HRA transparency and openness in health and social care research ' Make it Public ' consultation.	Consultation	6 Sept 2019 (Fri)	Jane Forster Vanora Hundley	BU internal staff survey issued to gather views – survey closes Fri 16 August.
	European Commission survey Horizon Europe Co-design 2021-2024	Survey	8 Sept 2019 (Sun)	Rebecca Edwards	Due to UET on 28 August Note deadline is a Sunday. Aiming to submit on Friday 6 Sept.
	DfE consultation on Higher Technical Education . Word version of consultation questions . Related documents here . Information page here .	Consultation	29 Sept 2019 (Sun)	TBC	Awaiting decision whether BU will respond
	UCU Future of Admissions survey	Survey	No end date specified	-	Not responding. Will follow for outcomes here .

Current Select committee enquiries are [found here](#). BU's responses to consultations can be [found here](#)

Niche Consultations and Inquiries

Details of niche consultations are shared with relevant academics in advance of placing the consultations on this tracker. Only consultations and inquiries considered sufficiently relevant or that an academic intends to respond to are included.

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N E W	CMA consultation on online platforms and digital advertising	Consultation	30 Jul 2019 (Tues)	Elvira Bolat	Response due to policy team for review on Mon 22 July.
	Commons Science and Technology Committee - Technologies for meeting Clean Growth emissions reduction targets has re-opened for written evidence. Scope here .	Inquiry	Open - unspecified	Hamid Bouchachia Zulfiqar Khan	Considering response
	Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy consultation on Smart data: putting consumers in control of their data and enabling innovation .	Consultation	6 August 2019 (Tues)	Sevil Yesiloglu	Unclear if Sevil still intends to make a response
	SIA RELATED Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee (Wales) Decarbonisation of Transport	Inquiry	16 Aug 2019 (Fri)	Rebecca Edwards	Janet Dickinson and Derek Robbins considering response. Due to Policy team for review by 13 Aug.

New or updated information
Awaiting final outcome/report
Outcome finalised and closed

Closed consultations and inquiries

BU's responses to consultations can be [found here](#)

	Consultations	Type	Deadline	Lead	Progress update
1.	DfE HE review : Review of post-18 education and funding. Terms of reference and online submission link	Review	2 May 2018 (Wed)	Jane Forster	Response submitted 2 May 2018 No news yet - the Government is currently analysing the responses received. (Checked 4 July 2018 and 30 Jan 2019.) Augar Review published late May 2019. Awaiting CSR (by Dec 2019) for Government decisions.
2.	Commons Education Committee inquiry into support for young people with special educational needs and disabilities . More information here .	Inquiry	14 June 2018 (Thurs)		Did not respond. The inquiry remains open and oral evidence continues. The written evidence accepted so far has been published here . Committee outcome report is in preparation (19.06.2019)
3.	Commons Education Select Committee inquiry into the Fourth Industrial Revolution . Equipping young people with the right skills and the role of lifelong learning in reskilling the current workforce.	Inquiry	21 June 2018 (Thurs)		Did not respond. Inquiry remains open and oral evidence ongoing at 30 January 2019. All written evidence has been published here . When the inquiry concludes it will be noted here . A committee report is currently in preparation . (Report still in preparation at 20.06.2019.)
4.	BEIS Select Committee inquiry into automation and the future of work – business, workers and consumer angles. Business includes which sectors are most likely to be affected by a growth in automation, impact on productivity and what opportunities are there for businesses from a rise in automation	Inquiry	13 July 2018 (Fri)		Did not respond. The inquiry remains open (20.06.2019) . Written evidence that has been accepted is published here .
5.	House of Lords Economic Affairs Committee – the use of the retail price index (RPI) - Response details . Information and previous oral evidence .	Inquiry - call for evidence	25 July 2018	N/A	Did not respond. Inquiry has concluded. Evidence published here. Report: Measuring Inflation published 17 Jan 2019. Awaiting Government Response – still awaiting response at 20.06.2019.
6.	Commons Science and Technology Committee inquiry into Balance and effectiveness of research and innovation spending	Inquiry	28 September 2018 (Fri)	Julie Northam	Chose not to respond Inquiry remains open (at 02.05.2019). Written evidence available here . Committee is preparing the outcome report (at 20.06.2019).

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7.	House of Lords EU Home Affairs Sub-Committee call for evidence into Brexit: EU Student exchanges and funding for university research Inquiry details Briefing Submission portal	Inquiry	21 November 2018 (Wed)	Sam Leahy-Harland	Did not respond. Following for outcomes. Inquiry has concluded and reported . We are waiting for the Government response to the report. All written and oral evidence has been published here . The inquiry notes the written evidence deadline has passed and has been removed from the Committee's webpage. Unable to find details of an outcome report (at 20.06.2019).
8.	Equality and Human Rights Commission inquiry into Racial harassment in HE . Press release . Terms of reference for the general inquiry. <i>Publicly funded universities will also be required to provide detailed information about the processes they have in place to support staff and students who have experienced or witnessed racial harassment</i> <i>We are focusing on higher education institutions that received funding from the Office for Students... in the academic year 2018 to 2019</i>	Inquiry	15 February 2019 (Fri, midnight)	Jane Forster	Survey response submitted. Due to the sensitive nature and small numbers pertaining to the question responses the response to this survey will not be shared online. Contact the policy team if you require further information. (EHRC contacted universities individually to obtain required information.) Confirmation they are still analysing responses (20 June 2019). Post completion the inquiry report is expected to be published in autumn 2019.
9.	TEF call for views to inform the independent TEF review. Consultation page. Call for views descriptive document . Online survey link. These links may also be of interest: Workstreams within wider Independent TEF review. Terms of reference for the wider TEF review (Nov 18).	Call for views	1 March 2019 (Fri)	Jane Forster	Response submitted. Outcomes report expected summer 2019.
10.	Research England consultation survey on the Knowledge Exchange Framework proposals. Consultation document . Research England documents . 2017 Minister letter . Survey link .	Consultation	14 March 2019 (Thurs, at noon)	Jane Forster Julie Northam	Response submitted 13 March 2019
11.	Review of the HE Code of Governance	Call for evidence	20 March 2019 (Wed, at noon)	Deborah Wakely	Response submitted – copy available from Policy team.
12.	QAA consultation on fees charged as designated HE quality body Information Consultation document Q&A	Consultation	24 April 2019 (Wed)	Adam Child	Response submitted Following for outcomes
13.	British Council APPG inquiry into the role of education and culture in the UK's future relations with Europe	Inquiry	29 April 2019 (Mon)	N/A	BU will not respond. We will track the outcomes of this inquiry.

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14.	HESA consultation – service offering and subscription model	Consultation	3 May 2019 (Fri) – deadline extended.	Russ Pottle	Response submitted 1 May. Original deadline was Mon 29 April 2019 extended for sector until 3 May 2019. HESA report summarising responses received (June 2019).
15.	KTP national forum questionnaire on KTP Resourcing	Questionnaire	6 May 2019 (Mon)	Rachel Clarke	Response submitted 2 May 2019.
16.	BEIS call for evidence seeking views on the independent advice to government on the design of future UK funding schemes for international collaboration, innovation and research – Future frameworks for international collaboration on research and innovation. Consultation document Online response portal	Consultation	24 May 2019 (Fri, midnight)	Lisa Andrews	Did not submit. Following for outcomes.
17.	DfE Review of post-16 qualifications at level 3 and below in England All consultation documents and online survey link available here .	Consultation	10 June 2019 (Mon, 9am)	Adam Child	Response submitted 10 June.
18.	UUK and Guild HE consultation on the draft Knowledge Exchange Concordat. Online response link Consultation Qs available from here (bottom of the page).	Consultation	1 July 2019 (Mon)	Julie Northam	Response submitted 1 July 2019.
19.	HESA subscription agreement (stage 2 of consultation)	Consultation	10 Jul 2019 (Wed)	Jeremy Swain	Response submitted 10 July 2019.
20.	OfS consultation on Financial and student number data collection providing two options for future data collection. OfS info page .	Consultation	18 Jul 2019 (Thur, noon)	Russ Pottle	Response submitted 16 July 2019.

CLOSED - Niche ones we are watching

	NICHE Consultations	Type	Deadline	Lead	Progress update
1.	Dept of Health consultation - Promoting professionalism, Reforming regulation Consultation webpage link	Consultation	23 January 2018	N/A	Elizabeth Rosser confirmed we would not respond. Responses are being reviewed and the DfH will publish an outcome report here when available. No outcomes at 24 June 2019, the site confirms they are still reviewing responses.

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2.	The Creative Industries Federation is researching what growth in creative enterprises across the UK	Consultative survey	3 July 2018	N/A	Did not submit. Focus groups take place in July . Pre Oct 2019 budget: CIF website notes this budget representation is based on the consultation responses. Press release here . Outcome report: Growing the UK's Creative Industries – What creative enterprises need to thrive and grow .
3.	Business productivity review	Call for evidence	6 July 2018 (Fri)	N/A	Did not submit – following for outcomes only. The Government are still analysing feedback (at 9 May 2019).
4.	The House of Lords Committee on Intergenerational Fairness and Provision	Inquiry	10 September 2018		Not responding Full published evidence can be viewed via the Timeline . Report published . Awaiting Government response at 9 May 2019.
5.	Lords Select Committee – Rural Economy Committee	Inquiry	10 September 2018		Not responding Oral evidence transcripts available via the Timeline . Report published (27 April 2019) . Awaiting Government response at 9 May 2019.
6.	Lords Science and Technology Committee: Forensic Science	Inquiry	14 September 2018 (Fri)	Matthew Bennett Marcin Budka	Did not respond. Published evidence here . Report published 1 May 2019: Forensic science and the criminal justice system: a blueprint for change . Awaiting Government response
7.	NICE topic consultation on Suicide Prevention	Consultation	26 Nov 2018 (Mon, 5pm)	Ann Luce	Not responding but following for outcomes. Timeline here . Documents here . Next steps: Quality Standard consultation will run 24 Apr 2019 to 23 May 2019. Outcomes expected to be published 10 Sept 2019 (source).
8.	Digital Culture Media and Sport Select Committee inquiry into the development of immersive technologies (e.g. virtual and augmented reality) and the potential impact these could have on sport, entertainment, and news amongst younger people	Inquiry	14 January 2019 (Mon)	Liz Falconer	Response submitted Liz's submission has been published within the written evidence here . Raian Ali has submitted a response too (copy not retained). Summary of oral session (gaming, addiction, loot boxes) provided by Dods.
9.	UK Gambling Commission consultation on the UK new national strategy to reduce gambling harms and amendments to LCCP requirements on gambling businesses to contribute to research, prevention and treatment. Consultation information . National Strategy . Online survey link .	Consultation	15 February 2019 (Fri)	Raian Ali	Raian submitted a response, copy of response not supplied to Policy team.

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10.	Women and Equalities Committee inquiry into the Mental Health of Men and Boys	Inquiry	18 March 2019 (Mon)	Ann Luce	Response submitted 15 March 2019. Evidence published here . Awaiting next steps in inquiry (no future business posted at 13.05.2019).
11.	Defence Committee inquiry into the UK Response to Hybrid Threats	Inquiry	Remains open past initial deadline	Anna Hillingdon Sascha Bachmann	Sascha Bachmann (evidence) and Anna Hillingdon (evidence) both submitted written evidence (separately). Both submissions have been published . Anna gave oral evidence as part of a panel on 30 April 2019.
12.	Consultation on Gambling Commission proposed changes to Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice including gambling blocking software .	Consultation	9 May 2019 (Thur)	Raian Ali	Raian invited to respond by Gambling Commission – response sent 9 May. Raian did not retain a discreet copy of the online response or share with policy team prior to submission. He has confirmed that the submission and emailed an outline of the content.
13.	Gambling Commission consultation – gambling on credit cards . Intro Online response Consultation document	Consultation	16 May 2019 (Thur)	Raian Ali & Theodoros Kostoulas	Response submitted 15 May 2019.
14.	Information Commissioners Office consultation requesting feedback on the planned code of practice for age appropriate design of online services likely to be accessed by children. Code of practice Submission portal Consultation page with document links	Consultation	31 May 2019 (Fri)	John McAlaney, Raian Ali	Did not submit.
15.	DCMS inquiry into Reality TV	Inquiry	13 June 2019 (Thurs, 5pm)	Ann Luce	Response submitted 12 June.
16.	Sport Northern Ireland survey on female participation in sport .	Survey	30 June 2019	Susan Dewhurst	Responded (copy not retained).
17.	DCMS and Home Office Online Harms white paper	Consultation	1 July 2019	Sevil Yesiloglu John McAlaney	Sevil's response . John McAlaney and Raian Ali's response .
18.	The International Trade Committee have reopened for written evidence into The impact of UK-EU arrangements on wider UK trade policy inquiry	Inquiry	Open - unspecified	Sangeeta Khorana	Sangeeta working towards deadline of Fri 28 June for submission. Committee have confirmed will accept this deadline (SC 12/06). No recent contact from Sangeeta – unclear if she still intends to submit. Still no response to multiple chase contacts – assuming Sangeeta no longer wishes to respond (3 July 2019). Closed – still no contact -8 July 2019 .
19.	DfE consultation into Character and Resilience .	Consultation	5 July 2019 (Fri)	Constantina Panourgia	Response submitted

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20.	SIA Related Treasury inquiry into Decarbonisation of the UK Economy and Green Finance. Terms of Reference. Submission link	Inquiry	26 Jul 2019 (Fri)	Christopher Hartwell	Response sent 8 July 2019.