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Agenda: Asbestos Update¹

3:15 to 6:00 pm, Wednesday, 14 May 2008
Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House, London, England
(Around the corner from Westminster Underground Station)

Objectives:

This meeting of MPs and invited guests is intended to:

- Keep asbestos high on the UK agenda;
- Explore asbestos issues in England, Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland comparing common problems and identifying solutions;
- Examine UK asbestos developments in light of news from abroad.

Agenda:

- 3:15 **Welcome:** Linda Gilroyd MP
Chair: Linda Gilroyd MP
- 3:20 **The Work of Mesothelioma UK:** Liz Darlison, Mesothelioma UK
- 3:35 **Improving Outcomes for Patients with Malignant Mesothelioma:**
Dr. Michael Peake, Consultant and Senior Lecturer in Respiratory Medicine,
Glenfield Hospital, Leicester
- 3:50 **UK Treatment and Research Challenges:** Dr. John Edwards, Consultant
Thoracic Surgeon, Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, Northern General
Hospital, Sheffield
Chair: John McFall MP
- 4:05 **Asbestos Diseases Research in Australia:** Dr. Bruce Robinson
Director, National Centre for Asbestos-Related Diseases (Australia)
- 4:40 **Asbestos & UK Teachers:** Barry Fawcett, Assistant Secretary,
National Union of Teachers
- 4:55 **Compensation for T&N's Asbestos Claims:** James Gleave, Kroll
Chair: Ian Gibson MP
- 5:05 **T&N: The Claimants' Response:** Adrian Budgen, Irwin Mitchell
- 5:15 **Bereavement Damages and 1979 Act:** Ian McFall, Thompsons'
- 5:30 **Pleural Plaques Campaign:** John McClean, GMB
- 5:45 **Question and Answer Session:** Ian Gibson MP
- 6:00 **Seminar Ends**

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