

# The British Shooting Sports Council



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### HOME AFFAIRS SELECT COMMITTEE SHOOT AT BISLEY

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2010. The British Shooting Sports Council invited Chairman Keith Vaz and other members of the House of Commons Home Affairs Select Committee to visit the National Shooting Centre at Bisley.

Instructors and Commonwealth games medallists demonstrated rifle and air pistol at the Lord Roberts Centre. The delegates also participated in shooting, in some cases with evident ability.

At the Clay layout coaches instructed the MPs in the techniques needed to break clays with over and under and semi-automatic shotguns and even a flintlock!

Back at the Lord Roberts Centre Graham Downing of the Countryside Alliance gave a presentation on game shooting, stalking and vermin control, to be followed by John Batley of the Gun Trade Association on deactivated firearms, paint ball guns and on the impact of the Violent Crime Reduction Act on realistic imitation firearms.

The morning finished with a question and answer session which allowed the Committee members to explore further aspects of the impact of legislation on the shooting sports.

On behalf of the Home Affairs Committee Keith Vaz thanked everyone for a most informative day and for the opportunity to experience our sport.

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Caption to accompanying image: Aiden Burley MP (HASC), Anita North (Commonwealth Games 2010 gold medal and Commonwealth Games record holder), Keith Vaz MP (Chair, HASC), Charlotte Kerwood (Commonwealth Games gold medallist 2002 and 2006 and Commonwealth Games record holder) and Bridget Phillipson MP (HASC).

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