

## Statement from Harriett Baldwin MP

The APPG would like to invite you to write a short statement outlining your position on the issues relevant to the APPG, namely:

1. *The Loan Charge*

*Your views on the Loan Charge and if you support a resolution, in light of the nine suicides confirmed by the Treasury and specifically if you believe that the Treasury Select Committee should now conduct a full Committee inquiry into the whole Loan Charge Scandal, which has dogged the Treasury and HMRC since its introduction. A principal policy aim of the Loan Charge was to stop the (mis)selling of tax avoidance schemes. It has abjectly failed to achieve this as well as causing suicides due to the unfair way it pursues those affected.*

2. *IR35 Off-Payroll Rules and the need for clarity and fairness for contract and freelance workers*

*Your position on the IR35 Off Payroll Rules and the overall IR35 legislation, which far from clarifying the status of contract and freelance workers, has caused confusion and seen a loss of roles abroad as well as pushing workers into zero rights employment.*

3. *Taxpayer Fairness*

*Your view on the need for 'taxpayer fairness' legislation, as has happened in the US, to better protect taxpayers from an over-zealous tax authority and to properly enshrine taxpayers' rights against unfair and incompetent treatment (both of which are all too common).*

If elected to the position of Chair of the Treasury Select Committee I will look forward to hearing from colleagues in relevant All Party Groups about relevant issues, so that we can represent backbenchers' concerns with the Treasury and the regulators without fear or favour.