

AGENDA FOR THE QUARTERLY CONSULTATIONS (IN PERSON AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE CALL) WITH GILT MARKET INVESTORS (3.30PM) AND GEMMs (5.00PM) TO DISCUSS GILT ISSUANCE IN APRIL TO JUNE 2025, ON MONDAY 31 MARCH 2025¹

The DMO would like to invite GEMMs and gilt investors to join discussions (to take place in the DMO's offices at **The Minster Building, 21 Mincing Lane, London EC3R 7AG** and via MS Teams conference calls) on gilt issuance in April to June 2025. Attendees may be nominated by their representative organisations, or they may contact the DMO directly. Spaces at the investor discussions are allocated at the DMO's discretion, with one representative per organisation. Please contact ceo-office@dmo.gov.uk by 12.00pm on Friday 28 March 2025 if you would like to request a place, also confirming whether you wish to attend in person at the DMO's offices or remotely via MS Teams conference call. For those planning to attend remotely, the meeting access details will be emailed in advance. Alternatively, the DMO would be pleased to receive your views on issuance via email to policy@dmo.gov.uk if preferred.

- 1. DMO financing remit 2025-26: Spring Statement 2025.**
- 2. Review of gilt market operations and conditions from November 2024 to March 2025.**
- 3. Syndications. The DMO is currently planning to schedule two syndicated offerings in Q1 2025-26. The provisional timings and choices of gilts for sale at these transactions are as follows: a syndication of either a new or existing long conventional gilt in May 2025 and a syndication of either a new or existing index-linked gilt in June 2025. The DMO welcomes views on these plans.**
- 4. Auctions. On 14 March 2025, the DMO published the dates and maturities of gilt auctions taking place in the weeks commencing 31 March, 7 April, and 14 April 2025. Views are sought on the choice and sequencing of conventional and index-linked gilts for auction in the remainder of the April to June period. Recommendations should take into account your views on the maturity sectors and timings of the planned conventional and index-linked gilt syndications in the quarter, as well as the proposed programmatic gilt tenders.**
- 5. Gilt tenders. The DMO intends to introduce programmatic gilt tenders in 2025-26 to assist with the delivery of the financing remit. Views are welcomed on timings and sequencing of maturity sectors to be issued via this programme in the period April to June 2025. Gilt tenders may also be scheduled on an *ad hoc* basis, outside the schedule of programmatic gilt tenders. The DMO remains open to receiving feedback on demand for gilt issuance via *ad hoc* gilt tenders at any time.**
- 6. Any other business.**

Table 1 below sets out a proposed schedule for the 19 gilt auction dates in April to June 2025 (including the five gilt auctions announced on 14 March 2025), together with a possible schedule of conventional gilt issuance by maturity. The DMO welcomes market views on auction scheduling, taking into account preferences over the maturities and timing of the long conventional and index-linked gilt syndications planned to be held in the quarter.

Note that the gilt auction calendar may be altered, for example, to accommodate any decisions by the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the fiscal event timetable, any significant data releases

¹ Attendees are reminded that it is their responsibility to comply with competition and market abuse laws and all other applicable laws and regulations. If any participants are dialling in from recorded lines, we politely ask that you respect the privacy of this conversation and do not disseminate any information beyond the call participants.

or market sensitive events announced subsequently, as well as to accommodate the scheduling of syndicated offerings.

The DMO's ongoing auction policy is to build up gilts to benchmark size, typically with a focus on current coupon gilts, taking into account the impact of issuance on the gilt redemption profile. The proposed schedule of issuance in Table 1 sets out an example of the DMO's preference to provide regularity of issuance by maturity and type of gilt.

Table 1: April to June 2025 proposed auction calendar and split by maturity sector*

Auction date ²		Gilt
Wednesday	2 April	1½% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2035
Thursday	3 April	4¾% Treasury Gilt 2040
Tuesday	8 April	4¾% Treasury Gilt 2054
Wednesday	9 April	4¾% Treasury Gilt 2030
Tuesday	15 April	4½% Treasury Gilt 2035
Thursday	24 April	A long conventional gilt
Tuesday	29 April	An index-linked gilt
Wednesday	30 April	A short conventional gilt
Wednesday	7 May	A short conventional gilt
Tuesday	13 May	An index-linked gilt
Wednesday	14 May	A medium conventional gilt
Wednesday	21 May	A short conventional gilt
Wednesday	28 May	A medium conventional gilt
Tuesday	3 June	A long conventional gilt
Wednesday	4 June	A short conventional gilt
Wednesday	11 June	A medium conventional gilt
Tuesday	17 June	A short conventional gilt
Tuesday	24 June	An index-linked gilt
Wednesday	25 June	A medium conventional gilt

* Where, as currently scheduled in the quarter, one auction is held on a day, the bidding window will operate from 9.00am to 10.00am.

Conventional gilt auctions

In addition to the five auctions already scheduled, the DMO is planning a further five short, four medium and two long conventional gilt auctions in the April to June 2025 period. Views on the auction programme in Q1 2025-26 should take into account the planned syndications in the quarter, as set out in agenda item 3 above.

- **Short (five further auctions):** The DMO expects to re-open 4¾% Treasury Gilt 2028 at least twice and 4¾% 2030 up to twice more in the quarter. Additionally, the DMO anticipates re-opening 4% 2031 at least once in Q1 2025-26. We welcome feedback on this approach

² Due to the scheduling of Spring Statement 2025 on 26 March 2025, the maturities of the gilt auctions to be held in the weeks commencing 31 March, 7 April, and 14 April 2025 were announced in advance on Friday 14 March 2025 to allow the market sufficient time to prepare.

and any recommendations for other current coupon short conventional gilts to be auctioned. Feedback should take into account the impact of issuance on the near-term redemption profile.

- **Medium (four further auctions):** The DMO anticipates re-opening 4½% Treasury Gilt 2035 and 4¾% Treasury Gilt 2040 in the quarter (in addition to the auction of 4½% Treasury Gilt 2035 already scheduled for 15 April 2025). The DMO also anticipates a re-opening of 0¾% Green Gilt 2033 in May. The DMO welcomes views on this approach and any other choices of medium conventional gilts for auction in the quarter.
- **Long (two further auctions):** The DMO expects to re-open both 4¾% 2043 and 4% 2063 once each in the April to June period, in addition to the auction of 4¾% 2054 already scheduled for 8 April 2025. The DMO welcomes views on this approach and any other candidates for, and the sequencing of, long conventional gilt auctions in the quarter. Views should take into account the scheduling of a long conventional gilt syndication, planned to take place in May 2025.

Index-linked gilt auctions

- In addition to the auction of 1½% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2035 already scheduled on Wednesday 2 April 2025, the DMO is planning a further three index-linked gilt auctions in Q1 2025-26. The DMO anticipates continuing to build up existing index-linked gilts towards benchmark sizes in April to June 2025. The DMO welcomes views on this approach as well as candidates for, and the sequencing of, index-linked gilts for issuance via auction in the remainder of the April to June period. Views should take into account the scheduling of an index-linked gilt syndication, planned to take place in June 2025.

Gilt tenders

Programmatic gilt tenders

- The DMO is introducing programmatic gilt tenders in 2025-26 to assist with the delivery of the financing remit. We envisage that these operations will typically involve the sale of 'off-the-run' gilts that are not currently being built up to benchmark size as part of the current regular issuance programme. Table 2 below sets out a proposed preliminary schedule of four gilt tender maturity sectors that could take place in the period April to June 2025.
- The DMO will consider a range of factors when selecting the gilt for each individual tender, including demand feedback, market conditions, and broader debt management considerations (including value for money and the impact of issuance on the near-term redemption profile).
- The DMO welcomes market views on the maturity for, and the sequencing of, gilts for issuance via programmatic gilt tenders in the April to June period. It is also the DMO's intention to consult market participants about the identity of the gilt and the nominal size to be offered at each transaction ahead of the planned gilt tender date. The identity, nominal size and scheduled gilt tender date will typically be confirmed at least two business days prior to the planned gilt tender date.
- Note that the programmatic gilt tender schedule may be altered, for example, in light of prevailing demand and market conditions, to accommodate other DMO market operations, significant data releases or other market sensitive events, as well as broader debt management considerations (including value for money).

Table 2: April to June 2025 preliminary proposals for a schedule of programmatic gilt tenders³

Proposed tender date		Maturity
Wednesday	16 April	A short conventional gilt
Thursday	15 May	A short conventional gilt
Thursday	29 May	An index-linked gilt
Thursday	26 June	A short or long conventional gilt

Ad hoc gilt tenders

- Gilt tenders may also be scheduled on an *ad hoc* basis outside the schedule of programmatic gilt tenders in the same way as we have been able to do in recent years. *Ad hoc* gilt tenders may be used to issue any type and maturity of gilt⁴, including for market management reasons. The DMO will aim to announce the date, the choice of gilt to be sold and the maximum size of any ad hoc gilt tenders at least two business days in advance, and we remain open to receiving feedback on demand for gilt issuance via *ad hoc* gilt tenders at any time.

The DMO will announce details of the gilt operations calendar for April to June 2025 at 7.30am on Friday 4 April 2025.

The next consultations to discuss gilt issuance in July to September 2025 are currently scheduled for 3.30pm (gilt market investors) and 5.00pm (GEMMs) on Monday 12 May 2025.

³ The DMO will announce the dates and maturity sectors of these operations as part of its quarterly gilt issuance calendar announcements. The DMO will consider a range of factors in deciding the gilt to be offered at each individual tender, including feedback about demand and market conditions, as well as value for money and the impact of issuance on the near-term redemption profile.

⁴ It is not currently expected that green gilts will be issued via gilt tenders.