

**“Show me a sector and I will show you a scandal that has been brought to light by a whistleblower”.**

*Whistleblowing Awareness Week 2023*

Whistleblowing is barely out of the news. We cannot turn on the TV without a headline or plot that relies on whistleblowers and how badly they are treated. The Post Office Scandal has captured everyone’s imagination, but this is the tip of the iceberg. Contaminated Blood, NHS Maternity Scandal, Grooming Gangs, Grenfell Tower, Banking scandal, the list goes on... and **there is ALWAYS a Whistleblower.**

Whistleblowing is good for society and good for business. Whistleblowers are the most effective first line of defence against crime, corruption and cover up. WBAW is an opportunity for MPs to understand how **proposed legislation** is key to driving a culture where speaking up is valued, and where people who try to silence whistleblowers or suppress evidence of wrongdoing face the full force of the law.

WBAW will dispel the stigma and suspicion that overshadow whistleblowers. It will also set out how the **Whistleblowing Bill** developed by WhistleblowersUK for the **APPG For Whistleblowing**, will transform the way that whistleblowers and whistleblowing are treated, normalising speaking up.

### WESTMINSTER HALL DEBATE - TBC

“This House supports Whistleblowing Awareness Week”.

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**MONDAY 21 ST**

**Palace of Westminster - Dining Room B - 14:00 - 17:00**

### LAUNCH OF WHISTLEBLOWING AWARENESS WEEK 2024

A unique opportunity to meet whistleblowers, industry experts and discuss the new **Whistleblowing Bill** with the team who wrote it and understand the ‘New Approach to Speaking Up’.

**Tuesday 22nd**

**Palace of Westminster - Committee Room A - 10:00 - 11:30**

### THE INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

An unmissable opportunity to meet international programme leaders including representatives from the Ukraine and United States to discuss whistleblowing programmes as part of anti fraud & corruption policy. What can the UK learn from these experiences across the public and private sector. We will explore the issues of harmonising legislation and policy and considering the benefits and pitfalls of different programmes.

**Tuesday 22nd**

**The Royal Society - 13:00 - 17:00**

### COMPLIANT COMPLIANCE - HOSTED BY NAVEX

The Workers Rights Act & UK Corporate Governance Scheme

**Wednesday 23rd**

**The palace of Westminster - 1 Parliament St. Room C - 13:00 - 17:00**

### THE ANATOMY OF A TECH/AI SCANDAL - DR JUNADE ALI

Exploring the role of technology in the facilitation of wrongdoing including the Post Office scandal, Banking scandals, the undermining of National Infrastructure and the legal process and the unique position of tech whistleblowers in uncovering crimes and cover ups.



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**Wednesday 23rd**

*Palace of Westminster, House of Lords Committee Room 4A - 13:00 - 14:30*

### MEET THE WHISTLEBLOWERS - EXPLORING THE ISSUES & AGREEING SOLUTIONS

An opportunity to meet people who have blown the whistle and hear first hand how their experience changed their lives for ever. Lord Berkeley, vice chair of the APPG will encourage and chair a discussion not only the problems with existing legislation and why it does not work but what needs to change and why they support the Whistleblowing Bill. **Non-Parliamentarians Ticket via event bright**

**THURSDAY 24RD**

*Palace of Westminster, House of Lords Committee Room 4A - 10:00 - 11:30*

### DUTY OF CANDOUR & WHISTLEBLOWING - WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR BUSINESS?

A presentation from the Hillsborough Law team supported by the legal panel from WhistleblowersUK followed by a round table discussion with UK business leaders & thought leaders on the challenges, what to expect and how to prepare.

**THURSDAY 24TH**

*Palace of Westminster, HofC, Committee Room 13 - 13:00 - 14:30*

### HOW HEALTHY IS SPORT FOR WHISTLEBLOWERS?

England Cricket Coach Sangeetha Theivendra will lead a discussion with members and formers of the sporting community about the secrecy and suppression of concerns in the big business of sport, sharing their experiences, the culture of fear and the ongoing use of NDA's.

**THURSDAY 24TH**

*Forvis Mazars - (ticket only event) 17:30 - 20:00*

### THE INFORMED INSIDERS WHO UNLOCK THE SECRETS OF CORPORATE CRIME & DIRTY MONEY

Jonathan Taylor, former global counsel and now vindicated SMB whistleblower will provide an insight into his experience and share tips for other senior professionals before joining a panel discussion with industry experts & policy makers on how to make whistleblowing work for business & work for society.

The evening will conclude with a short recognition of the people who have put the public interest first followed by a drinks and networking reception. **To register see link.**

**FRIDAY 25TH**

*Online Masterclasses register using Event Bright link*

**10:00 - INTRODUCTION TO WHISTLEBLOWING & HOW TO MANAGE WHISTLEBLOWING CASES**

**12:00 - DEFENCE & SECURITY - HOW TO MANAGE OFFICIAL SECRETS & WHISTLEBLOWING**

**14:00 - WHEN THE MEDIA BECOMES A PRESCRIBED PERSON FOR WHISTLEBLOWERS**

These workshops will be led by leading experts. The sessions will be fast paced and provide an introduction to the topics, useful strategies for managing whistleblowing cases and the role & responsibility of prescribed persons. The sessions will give you an insight into the issues that must be considered and sources of help & information available at WhistleblowersUK.

**These sessions are free and open to: Parliamentarians, Westminster & Constituency Staff, Industry Professionals and the Voluntary Sector.**

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