

The House of Lords

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I admit I find debate on reform of the House of Lords deeply uninteresting.

Of course as a democrat I am in favour of second chamber reform. What we have is very obviously an anachronism. But it sort of works.

In the meantime banking, pensions, social care, the economy as a whole, the tax system and much more besides do not work.

So yes, we need House of Lords reform. But right now to make that the centre of political debate looks like self-indulgent squabbling by those without the will or desire to change the real world. And that's the last thing we need for the sake of democracy right now.