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Gordon Brown under fire from Yorkshire MEP Godfrey Bloom

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PRIME Minister Gordon Brown came in for harsh criticism during a political Question Time held in York last night.

Yorkshire MEP Godfrey Bloom said Mr Brown should be “taken out and shot”, as he took part in the debate, which was held in front of an audience of 100 people at York College of Law, in Bishopthorpe Road.

During an exchange on the state of the economy, the UK Independence Party member said: “Mr Brown has had his hand on the economic tiller and I would have him taken out and shot.”

The evening, hosted by the Yorkshire Law Society, consisted of a panel of local politicians – York Green party councillor Dave Taylor, the city’s Labour MP Hugh Bayley, Liberal Democrat MEP Diana Wallis, the Conservative Party’s candidate for the York Outer constituency, Julian Sturdy, and Mr Bloom.

During an earlier exchange, Mr Bayley also said he thought a hung parliament, after the forthcoming general election, was quite likely, but he said he thought that outcome would be bad for Britain.

The audience was made up predominantly of local business, legal, economic and political figures.

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