



HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday 11 November 2020

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

1 Royal Assent

The Speaker reported that the Queen had signified Royal Assent to the following Acts under the Royal Assent Act 1967:

Immigration and Social Security Co-ordination (EU Withdrawal) Act 2020

Agriculture Act 2020

2 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Scotland

(2) the Prime Minister

3 Urgent Question: Government plans to prevent homelessness and protect rough sleepers during the second national lockdown (Kelly Tolhurst)

4 National Security and Investment Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Secretary Alok Sharma, supported by the Prime Minister, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Secretary Dominic Raab, Secretary Priti Patel, Michael Gove, Secretary Ben Wallace, Secretary Liz Truss, Secretary Oliver Dowden and Nadhim Zahawi, presented a Bill to make provision for the making of orders in connection with national security risks arising from the acquisition of control over certain types of entities and assets; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 210) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 210–EN).

5 Supported Housing (Regulation): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate supported housing; to make provision about local authority oversight and the enforcement of standards of accommodation and support in supported housing; to prohibit the placing of children in care in unregulated accommodation; and for connected purposes;

That Kerry McCarthy, Mr Clive Betts, Shabana Mahmood, Steve McCabe, Bob Blackman, Helen Hayes, Fleur Anderson, Tim Loughton, Andrew Selous, Mohammad Yasin, Munira Wilson and Andrew Gwynne present the Bill.

Kerry McCarthy accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 15 January 2021, and to be printed (Bill 212).

6 Remembrance, UK armed forces and society

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered remembrance, UK armed forces and society.—(*James Heappey*.)

The Deputy Speaker announced a time limit on backbench speeches (Standing Order No. 47(1)).

Question put and agreed to.

7 COVID-19

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered COVID-19.—(*Edward Argar*.)

The Deputy Speaker announced a time limit on backbench speeches (Standing Order No. 47(1)).

Question put and agreed to.

8 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of Wellingborough, Northamptonshire and the surrounding areas relating to the welfare of horses in Wellingborough was presented by Mr Philip Hollobone and read by the Clerk at the Table.

9 Adjournment

Subject: 80th anniversary of the Coventry blitz (*Colleen Fletcher*)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Maggie Throup*.)

Adjourned at 8.19 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

10 Forensic Science Regulator and Biometrics Strategy Bill (changed to Forensic Science Regulator Bill) Committee

Ms Angela Eagle (Chair) reported the Bill as amended

Title amended as follows: A Bill to make provision for the appointment of the Forensic Science Regulator; to make provision about the Regulator and about the regulation of forensic science; and for connected purposes.

Bill, as amended, to be considered on Friday 26 February 2021; and to be printed (Bill 211).

11 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee

Philip Davies (Chair) reported the draft Environment and Wildlife (Miscellaneous Amendments etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020.

12 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee

Peter Dowd (Chair) reported the draft Organic Products (Production and Control) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 and the draft Genetically Modified Organisms (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020.

13 Eighth Delegated Legislation Committee

Mr Philip Hollobone (Chair) reported the draft Public Procurement (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020.

General Committees: Appointments

The Speaker appoints the Chair of General Committees and members of Programming Sub-Committees, and allocates Statutory Instruments to Delegated Legislation Committees.

The Committee of Selection nominates Members to serve on General Committees (and certain Members to serve on Grand Committees).

14 Financial Services Bill Committee

Chair: Philip Davies and Dr Rupa Huq

Members: Harriett Baldwin, Miriam Cates, Stella Creasy, Gareth Davies, Ms Angela Eagle, Stephen Flynn, John Glen, Andrew Jones, Mr Pat McFadden, Julie Marson, Robin Millar, Abena Oppong-Asare, Angela Richardson, David Rutley, Jeff Smith, Alison Thewliss and Craig Williams

15 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Product Safety and Metrology etc. (Amendment etc.) (UK (NI) Indication) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Esther McVey

Members: Peter Aldous, Scott Benton, Andrew Bowie, Ben Bradley, Neil Coyle, Jo Gideon, Chris Loder, Chi Onwurah, Kate Osamor, Christina Rees, Paul Scully, Royston Smith, Sam Tarry, Owen Thompson, Michael Tomlinson, Liz Twist and Mr Shailesh Vara

16 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Audiovisual Media Services (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Graham Stringer

Members: Lucy Allan, Paul Bristow, James Cartlidge, Maria Caulfield, Feryal Clark, Gareth Davies, Gareth Johnson, John Lamont, Tony Lloyd, John McDonnell, Shabana Mahmood, Chi Onwurah, Julian Sturdy, Owen Thompson, Stephen Timms, Mr John Whittingdale and James Wild

17 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (Relevant Court) (Retained EU Case Law) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Mr Laurence Robertson

Members: Paul Bristow, Ruth Cadbury, Alex Chalk, Bambos Charalambous, Chris Clarkson, Alex Cunningham, Dr James Davies, Yvonne Fovargue, Mike Hill, Clive Lewis, Holly Mumby-Croft, Tom Pursglove, Angela Richardson, Alexander Stafford, Owen Thompson, Christian Wakeford and Jacob Young

18 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (Motion in the name of Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg: That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will re-appoint Dame Susan Bruce DBE as an Electoral Commissioner with effect from 1 January 2021 for the period ending on 31 December 2023; and Dame Elan Closs Stephens DBE as an Electoral Commissioner with effect from 13 March 2021 for the period ending on 12 March 2025)

Chair: Ms Angela Eagle

Members: Lucy Allan, Duncan Baker, Felicity Buchan, Brendan Clarke-Smith, Ben Everitt, Simon Fell, Mike Freer, Patrick Grady, Sir Mark Hendrick, Barbara Keeley, Catherine McKinnell, Jerome Mayhew, Mrs Maria Miller, Jessica Morden, Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg, Mark Tami and Valerie Vaz

19 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Law Enforcement and Security (Separation Issues etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Derek Twigg

Members: Adam Afriyie, Stuart Anderson, Olivia Blake, James Brokenshire, Chris Elmore, Andrew Gwynne, Mark Jenkinson, David Johnston, Andrew Jones, Andrew Lewer, Conor McGinn, Alan Mak, Damien Moore, Taiwo Owatemi, Tom Pursglove, Lloyd Russell-Moyle and Owen Thompson

20 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Coronavirus Act 2020 (Expiry of Mental Health Provisions) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Philip Davies

Members: Dr Rosena Allin-Khan, Aaron Bell, Ian Byrne, Virginia Crosbie, Jon Cruddas, Ms Nadine Dorries, Julie Elliott, Kevin Hollinrake, Jane Hunt, Julie Marson, Navendu Mishra, Gary Sambrook, David Simmonds, James Sunderland, Maggie Throup, Matt Western and Nadia Whittome

21 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Common Fisheries Policy (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Sir Edward Leigh

Members: Ms Diane Abbott, Rosie Cooper, Dehenna Davison, Florence Eshalomi, Patrick Grady, Antony Higginbotham, Fay Jones, Anthony Mangnall, James Morris, Stephanie Peacock, Victoria Prentis, Dean Russell, Greg Smith, Jane Stevenson, Graham Stringer, Zarah Sultana and Matt Vickers

22 Eighth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Hazardous Substances and Packaging (Legislative Functions and Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 and draft Ozone-Depleting Substances and Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Sir Charles Walker

Members: Shaun Bailey, Jack Brereton, Chris Bryant, Andy Carter, James Daly, Clive Efford, Eddie Hughes, Jane Hunt, Fay Jones, James Morris, Neil O'Brien, Stephanie Peacock, Bell Ribeiro-Addy, Nicola Richards, Ms Marie Rimmer, John Spellar and Owen Thompson

23 Ninth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Road Vehicles and Non-Road Mobile Machinery (Type-Approval) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, draft New Heavy Duty Vehicles (Carbon Dioxide Emission Performance Standards) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 and draft Road Vehicle Carbon Dioxide Emission Performance Standards (Cars and Vans) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)

Members: Maggie Throup discharged and Michael Tomlinson nominated in substitution.

24 Tenth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Bank Recovery and Resolution (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, draft Securities Financing Transactions, Securitisation and Miscellaneous Amendments (EU Exit) Regulations, draft Financial Holding Companies (Approval etc.) and Capital Requirements (Capital Buffers and

Macro-prudential Measures) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 and draft Bearer Certificates (Collective Investment Schemes) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Sir David Amess

Members: Tahir Ali, Lee Anderson, Simon Baynes, Claire Coutinho, Maria Eagle, John Glen, Patrick Grady, Paul Howell, Simon Jupp, Jack Lopresti, Mr Pat McFadden, Dr Kieran Mullan, Charlotte Nichols, Abena Oppong-Asare, David Rutley, Jeff Smith and Craig Whittaker

25 Eleventh Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Supplementary Protection Certificates (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Ms Nusrat Ghani

Members: Mr Gareth Bacon, Paula Barker, Colleen Fletcher, Mark Fletcher, Andrew Griffith, Darren Henry, Tom Hunt, Andrea Jenkyns, Daniel Kawczynski, Chi Onwurah, Kate Osborne, Amanda Solloway, Sam Tarry, Owen Thompson, Michael Tomlinson, Suzanne Webb and Mick Whitley

*Reports from Select Committees***26 European Scrutiny Committee**

(1) Twenty-eighth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 229-xxiv);

(2) *Ministerial correspondence*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 229) (Sir William Cash).

27 Future Relationship with the European Union (Committee on the)

Progress of the negotiations on the UK's future relationship with the EU: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 203) (Hilary Benn).

28 Home Affairs Committee

(1) *Home Office preparedness for COVID-19 (coronavirus): immigration and visas: Government Response to the Committee's Third Report*: Fourth Special Report, to be printed (HC 909);

(2) *Home Office preparedness for COVID-19 (coronavirus): institutional accommodation: Government Response to the Committee's Fourth Report*: Fifth Special Report, to be printed (HC 973);

(3) *Home Office preparedness for COVID-19 (coronavirus): management of the borders: Government Response to the Committee's Fifth Report*: Sixth Special Report, to be printed (HC 974);

(4) *Channel crossings, migration and asylum-seeking routes through the EU*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 705);

(5) *Home Office preparedness for COVID-19 (coronavirus)*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 232);

(6) *The Macpherson Report: twenty-one years on*: Part of the written evidence, to be published (HC 426);

(7) *The work of the Minister for Future Borders and Immigration*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 919)

(Yvette Cooper).

29 Human Rights (Joint Committee on) and Women and Equalities Committee

Pre-appointment hearing for the Chair of the Equality and Human Rights Commission: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 963) (Ms Harriet Harman).

30 International Trade Committee

(1) *UK trade negotiations: Agreement with Japan:* Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 914);

(2) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to an update on US trade negotiations:* Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *UK trade remedies policy:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 701)
(Angus Brendan MacNeil).

31 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

Brexit and the Northern Ireland Protocol: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 767) (Simon Hoare).

32 Science and Technology Committee

A new UK research funding agency: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 778) (Greg Clark).

33 Scottish Affairs Committee

(1) *Universities and Scotland:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 673);

(2) *Problem drug use in Scotland: follow-up:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 845)
(Pete Wishart).

34 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Thirtieth Report, to be printed (HC 75-xxx) (Jessica Morden).

35 Transport Committee

Trains fit for the future?: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 876) (Huw Merriman).

36 Treasury Committee

Work of HM Treasury: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 969) (Mel Stride).

37 Work and Pensions Committee

(1) *DWP's preparations for changes in the world of work:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 358);

(2) *Correspondence from the Minister for Pensions and Financial Inclusion on the appointment of the Chair of The Pensions Regulator:* Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *DWP's response to the coronavirus outbreak:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 178);

(4) *Protecting pension savers—five years on from the pension freedoms: Pension scams:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 648)

(Stephen Timms).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.30 am.

Business appointed by the Chairman of Ways and Means (Standing Order No. 10(6))

1 Support for the economy in the north of England

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered support for the economy in the north of England.—(*Dan Jarvis.*)

The Chair announced a time limit on backbench speeches (under the authority of the Chairman of Ways and Means and Standing Order No. 47(1)).

Resolved, That this House has considered support for the economy in the north of England.

The sitting was suspended between 10.54 am and 11.02 am.

2 Conversion of family homes to houses in multiple occupation for supported accommodation

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of conversion of family homes to houses in multiple occupation for supported accommodation.—(*Steve McCabe.*)

The sitting was suspended between 11.29 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Family visit access in health and social care settings during the COVID-19 outbreak

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered family visit access in health and social care settings during the COVID-19 outbreak.—(*Joy Morrissey.*)

At 4.00 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

4 Future of the National Trust

Resolved, That this House has considered the future of the National Trust.—(*Dr Andrew Murrison.*)

5 Potential merits of a public inquiry into the death of Pat Finucane

Resolved, That this House has considered the potential merits of a public inquiry into the death of Pat Finucane.—(*Colum Eastwood.*)

Sitting adjourned without Question put (Standing Order No. 10(14)).

Adjourned at 5.25 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Consumer Credit

Consumer Credit (Enforcement, Default and Termination Notices) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1248), dated 10 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (John Glen)

2 Town and Country Planning

Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1243), dated 9 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Christopher Pincher)

Other papers

3 Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

National Security and Investment White Paper: Government response to its consultation on proposed legislative reforms (by Command) (CP 323) (Secretary Alok Sharma)

4 Finance

First Report of the Office of Tax Simplification on Capital Gains Tax Review: Simplifying by Design (by Act) (The Chancellor of the Exchequer)

5 Treasury

Treasury Minute, dated 11 November 2020, concerning a contingent liability relating to the Asset Purchase Facility (by Command) (The Chancellor of the Exchequer)

6 UK Borders

(1) Report of the Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration: An inspection of the Home Office's response to in-country clandestine arrivals ('lorry drops') and to irregular migrants arriving via 'small boats' for May–December 2019 (by Act) (Secretary Priti Patel)

(2) Report of the Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration: An inspection of the Home Office's use of language services in the asylum process for May–November 2019 (by Act) (Secretary Priti Patel)

(3) Report of the Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration: An inspection of UK Refugee Resettlement Schemes for November 2019–May 2020 (by Act) (Secretary Priti Patel)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Voting by proxy

1. New pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), as amended by the temporary Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Order of 22 October 2020, that the Members listed in the table below are eligible to have a proxy vote cast on their behalf by the nominated proxies listed in the table below, starting on the dates specified below and ending on Tuesday 30 March 2021, unless the arrangement is ended or the House otherwise orders.

Member	From	Proxy
John Howell	12 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Caroline Nokes	12 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Tracy Brabin	12 November 2020	Chris Elmore
Alison Thewliss	12 November 2020	Patrick Grady
Royston Smith	16 November 2020	Robert Courts
Miriam Cates	16 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Patricia Gibson	16 November 2020	Patrick Grady
Scott Mann	30 November 2020	Stuart Andrew

2. Variation of existing pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), as amended by the temporary Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Order of 22 October 2020, that the following Members have given notice that they wish to amend their proxy voting arrangement:

From 12 November 2020 the nominated proxy for Tracey Crouch will be Rebecca Harris instead of Caroline Nokes, and

the nominated proxy for Sir Roger Gale will be Stuart Andrew instead of Caroline Nokes.

3. Ending pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), as amended by the temporary Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Order of 22 October 2020, that the following Member has given notice that they wish to end their proxy voting arrangement with effect from when the Speaker takes the Chair on the dates specified below:

Member	From
Liz Saville Roberts	16 November 2020

CORRECTIONS

Thursday 5 November 2020

Under Speaker's Certificates, in item 1, the table should have included the name of Mary Robinson—her new proxy arrangement starting on 9 November, with Stuart Andrew as her proxy.

Monday 9 November 2020

Under Speaker's Certificates, in item 1, the table should not have included the name of Mike Kane as one of the new proxy arrangements.

Tuesday 10 November 2020

This item should have appeared after item 35 (Other Proceedings):

Standards (Committee on)

(1) *ICGS investigations: Commons-Lords agreement*: Eleventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 988);

(2) *Code of Conduct*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 671)

(Chris Bryant).

Under Speaker's Certificates, in item 1, the table should not have included the name of David Lammy as one of the new proxy arrangements.