



HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday 16 November 2020

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 2.30 pm.

Prayers

- 1 **Questions to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government**
- 2 **Speaker's Statement: Deferred divisions**
- 3 **Urgent Question: Participation in debates (Leader of the House)**
- 4 **Pension Schemes Bill [Lords]: Consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Public Bill Committee**

New Clause NC1—(*Stephen Timms*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Division No. 168

Ayes: 262 (Tellers: Colleen Fletcher, Jeff Smith)

Noes: 351 (Tellers: Eddie Hughes, Michael Tomlinson)

Question accordingly negatived.

As it was after one hour before the moment of interruption, the Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary to bring the remaining proceedings on consideration to a conclusion (Programme Order, 7 October).

The following questions were put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83E).

(1) That New Clause NC4 be added to the Bill (Question on a new Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Neil Gray*.)

The House divided.

Division No. 169

Ayes: 262 (Tellers: Owen Thompson, David Linden)

Noes: 349 (Tellers: Eddie Hughes, Michael Tomlinson)

Question accordingly negatived.

(2) That Amendment 1 be made (Question on an Amendment selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Wendy Chamberlain.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 170

Ayes: 257 (Tellers: Mr Alistair Carmichael, Sarah Olney)

Noes: 356 (Tellers: Michael Tomlinson, Eddie Hughes)

Question accordingly negated.

(3) That Amendment 16 be made (Question on an Amendment selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Jonathan Reynolds.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 171

Ayes: 256 (Tellers: Colleen Fletcher, Jeff Smith)

Noes: 356 (Tellers: Eddie Hughes, Michael Tomlinson)

Question accordingly negated.

5 Pension Schemes Bill [Lords]: Third Reading

Secretary Thérèse Coffey signified Queen's consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned.

Bill read the third time, and passed with Amendments.

6 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Public Procurement (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, which were laid before this House on 7 October, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Definition of Qualifying Northern Ireland Goods (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, which were laid before this House on 7 October, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

(3) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Electronic Communications and Wireless Telegraphy (Amendment) (European Electronic Communications Code and EU Exit) Regulations 2020, which were laid before this House on 12 October, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

(4) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Environment and Wildlife (Miscellaneous Amendments etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, which were laid before this House on 12 October, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

(5) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Genetically Modified Organisms (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, which were laid before this House on 12 October, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

(6) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Organic Products (Production and Control) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, which were laid before this House on 13 October, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

(7) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Road Vehicles and Non-Road Mobile Machinery (Type-Approval) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, which were laid before this House on 12 October, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

(8) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft New Heavy Duty Vehicles (Carbon Dioxide Emission Performance Standards) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, which were laid before this House on 13 October, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

(9) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Non-Domestic Rating (Rates Retention, Levy and Safety Net and Levy Account: Basis of Distribution) (Amendment) Regulations 2020, which were laid before this House on 7 October, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

7 Public petitions

A public petition from the residents of Linlithgow and East Falkirk relating to the recognition of sub postmasters was presented and read by Martyn Day.

8 Adjournment

Subject: Leaseholders and cladding in Greenwich and Woolwich (Matthew Pennycook)

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(*David Duguid.*)

At 10.00 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 9(3)).

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*David Duguid.*)

Adjourned at 10.27 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Lords Messages

9 Fisheries Bill [Lords]

The Lords agree without amendment to the Amendments made by the Commons to the Fisheries Bill [Lords].

General Committees: Reports

10 First Delegated Legislation Committee

Esther McVey (Chair) reported the draft Product Safety and Metrology etc. (Amendment etc.) (UK (NI) Indication) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020.

General Committees: Appointments

* This item has been corrected since publication. See the Votes and Proceedings from 18 November 2020 for details.

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).

11 Environment Bill Committee

Members: Marco Longhi discharged and Virginia Crosbie nominated in substitution.

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

Members: Andrew Bowie, Ben Bradley, Chris Loder, Chi Onwurah and Royston Smith discarded and Laura Farris, Mark Fletcher, Chris Green, Lucy Powell and Gary Sambrook nominated in substitution.

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

Members: Angela Richardson discharged and Mrs Flick Drummond nominated in substitution.

14 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)

Members: Brendan Clarke-Smith and Mrs Maria Miller discharged and Gary Sambrook and Stephen Hammond nominated in substitution.

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

Members: Damien Moore discharged and Ben Bradley nominated in substitution.

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

Members: David Simmonds discharged and Elliot Colburn nominated in substitution.

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

Members: Andy Carter, James Daly and Stephanie Peacock discharged and Ben Everitt, Ruth Jones and Christian Wakeford nominated in substitution.

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

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

Members: Lee Anderson, Simon Baynes and Dr Kieran Mullan discharged and Paul Holmes, Gary Sambrook and Craig Williams nominated in substitution.

Reports from Select Committees relating to orders for printing made during the adjournment under Standing Order No. 137

Friday 13 November

19 Work and Pensions Committee

Correspondence with the Minister for Pensions and Financial Inclusion relating to the Pension Schemes Bill: Written evidence, to be published (Clerk of the House).

Reports from Select Committees made on Monday 16 November

20 Administration Committee

Record of the Committee's discussions at its meeting on 16 November, to be published (Sir Charles Walker).

21 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

(1) *Air quality*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 468);

(2) *Labour in the food supply chain*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 231) (Neil Parish).

22 Procedure Committee

Procedure under coronavirus restrictions: Written evidence, to be published (HC 300) (Karen Bradley).

23 Public Accounts (Committee of)

(1) *COVID-19: Supply of ventilators*:

(i) Twenty-seventh Report, to be printed, with formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 685);

(ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 685);

(2) *HMRC Performance Standard Report*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 690);

(3) *Correspondence from HM Treasury relating to Making Tax Digital*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Ministry of Defence relating to the Fleet Solid Support Programme Accounting Officer Assessment*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence relating to the Committee's previous Reports*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Department for Transport recall*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 850);

(7) *Immigration enforcement*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 407);

(8) *NHS nursing workforce*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 408);

(9) *Tackling the tax gap*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 650);

(10) *Support for children with special educational needs and disabilities*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 85);

(11) *The Nuclear Decommissioning Authority's management of the Magnox contract*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 653);

(12) *Water supply and demand management*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 378) (Meg Hillier).

24 Treasury Committee

(1) *Decarbonisation and green finance*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 147);

(2) *Correspondence from the Economic Secretary relating to action 19 of the Economic Crime Plan*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Economic Secretary relating to climate-related financial disclosures*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Financial Secretary relating to off-payroll working reform*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Housing Minister, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, relating to a planning update*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy relating to the National Security and Investment Bill*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Economic impact of coronavirus*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 882);

(8) *Tax after coronavirus*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 664);

(9) *Work of the Financial Conduct Authority*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 950) (Mel Stride).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 4.30 pm.

Debate on e-petitions (Standing Order Nos. 10(1)(a) and 145A(7))

1 Trade deals and the NHS

Resolved, That this House has considered e-petition 307339, relating to trade deals and the NHS.—(*Martyn Day*.)

2 University tuition fees

Resolved, That this House has considered e-petitions 300528, 302855, 306494, 324762, and 552911, relating to university tuition fees.—(*Chris Evans*.)

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

Adjourned at 7.23 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers presented and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on Friday 13 November 2020 under Standing Orders No. 158 and No. 159:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Public Health

Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel, Travel from Denmark) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1277), dated 12 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Monday 16 November 2020

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

2 Exiting The European Union (Customs)

Draft Customs Safety and Security Procedures (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Jesse Norman)

3 Exiting the European Union (Social Security)

Draft Social Security Co-ordination (Revocation of Retained Direct EU Legislation and Related Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Justin Tomlinson)

4 Public Health

Public Health (Coronavirus) (Protection from Eviction and Taking Control of Goods) (England) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1290), dated 13 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Robert Buckland)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

5 Exiting the European Union (Financial Services and Markets)

Financial Services (Gibraltar) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1274), dated 12 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (John Glen)

6 Exiting the European Union (Sanctions)

Yemen (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1278), dated 12 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Nigel Adams)

7 Financial Services and Markets

Payment Services and Electronic Money (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1275), dated 12 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (John Glen)

8 Income Tax

Income Tax (Exemption of Minor Benefits) (Coronavirus) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1293), dated 16 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Jesse Norman)

9 Public Health

Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (England) (Amendment) (No. 24) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1292), dated 16 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

10 Road Traffic

Road Vehicles (Display of Registration Marks) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1276), dated 12 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

Other papers**11 Financial Services**

Progress report on the development of new permanent market access arrangements for financial services firms between the UK and Gibraltar (by Statutory Instrument) (John Glen)

12 Government Resources and Accounts

Report and Accounts of Sir John Soane's Museum for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 907) (Caroline Dinéage)

13 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Cabinet Office: Investigation into government procurement during the COVID-19 pandemic (by Act), to be printed (HC 959) (Clerk of the House)

14 Opticians

Annual Report, Fitness to Practise Report and Financial Statements of the General Optical Council (by Act) (Secretary Matt Hancock)

15 Treasury

(1) Freeports: Bidding Prospectus (by Command) (CP 315) (Steve Barclay)

(2) Treasury Minutes on the Fourteenth to the Seventeenth Reports and the Nineteenth Report of the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 2019–21 (by Command) (CP 316) (Mrs Kemi Badenoch)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Voting by proxy

1. New pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of the Standing Order (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
Debbie Abrahams	16 November 2020	Chris Elmore
Matt Vickers	16 November 2020	Tom Hunt
Chris Loder	16 November 2020	Robbie Moore
Mr Marcus Jones	16 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Dr Kieran Mullan	16 November 2020	Tom Hunt
Dr Julian Lewis	16 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Dr Rupa Huq	17 November 2020	Chris Elmore
Holly Lynch	17 November 2020	Chris Elmore
Anne-Marie Trevelyan	17 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Saqib Bhatti	17 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Mrs. Maria Miller	17 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Darren Jones	17 November 2020	Chris Elmore
Jeremy Hunt	17 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Deidre Brock	17 November 2020	Patrick Grady
Gareth Johnson	17 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Mike Wood	17 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Jonathan Gullis	17 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
David Simmonds	17 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Dr Andrew Murrison	17 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Ian Paisley	17 November 2020	Paul Girvan

2. Variation of existing pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of the Standing Order (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 16 November the nominated proxy for Royston Smith will be Stuart Andrew instead of Robert Courts.

From 17 November the nominated proxy for Philip Dunne will be Stuart Andrew instead of Jeremy Hunt.

3. Ending pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of the Standing Order (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 end their proxy voting arrangement with effect from when the Speaker takes the Chair on the date specified below:

Member	From
Stephanie Peacock	16 November 2020
Trudy Harrison	16 November 2020
Tom Pursglove	17 November 2020
Stewart Hosie	17 November 2020
Stephen Morgan	17 November 2020
Sajid Javid	17 November 2020
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson	17 November 2020
Paul Girvan	17 November 2020

CORRECTION

Monday 9 November 2020

Item 20 (Papers Laid) should have read:

Statutory Instruments (Notification)

(1) Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into operation before copies were laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation: Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (England) Amendment (No. 23) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1238) (by Standing Order) (The Speaker)

(2) Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into operation before copies were laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation: Health Protection

(Coronavirus, Travel from Denmark) (England) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1239) (by Standing Order) (The Speaker)