



HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday 25 November 2020

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

1 Questions to (1) the Minister for Women and Equalities

(2) the Prime Minister

2 Statement: Spending Review 2020 and the Office for Budget Responsibility's latest economic and fiscal forecast (The Chancellor of the Exchequer)

3 Deferred Divisions

The Deputy Speaker announced the result of the Division which had been deferred to this day (Standing Order No. 41A).

That the draft European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (Relevant Court) (Retained EU Case Law) Regulations 2020, which were

laid before this House on 15 October, be approved.

Division No. 173

Ayes: 354

Noes: 261

Question accordingly agreed to.

4 Driving Offences (Amendment): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Road Traffic Act 1988 to provide that dangerous and careless, or inconsiderate, driving offences may be committed in places other than roads and other public places; and for connected purposes;

That Gerald Jones, Judith Cummins, Wayne David, Chris Evans, Carolyn Harris, Ben Lake, Jessica Morden, Alec Shelbrooke, Nick Smith and Jamie Stone present the Bill.

Gerald Jones 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 219).

5 Prisons (Substance Testing) Bill: Money

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Prisons (Substance Testing) Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable under the Prison Act 1952 out of money so provided.—(*Lucy Frazer.*)

6 Independent Expert Panel

Resolved, That:-

(1) in accordance with Standing Order No. 150C (Appointment of Independent Expert Panel Members), the following be appointed as members of the Independent Expert Panel-

(a) Mrs Lisa Ball, Mrs Johanna Higgins, Sir Stephen Irwin and Professor Clare McGlynn for a period of 4 years, and

(b) Monica Daley, Miss Dale Simon, Sir Peter Thornton and Dr Matthew Vickers for a period of 6 years; and

(2) notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (4) Standing Order No. 150A (Independent Expert Panel), Sir Stephen Irwin be the Chair of that Panel.—(*Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg.*)

7 Independent Complaints and Grievance Scheme investigations: Commons-Lords agreement

Resolved, That this House approves the Eleventh Report of the Committee on Standards, ICGS investigations: Commons-Lords agreement (HC 988), and the proposed Scheme appended to that Report.—(*Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg.*)

8 UK-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the UK-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement.—(*Secretary Elizabeth Truss.*)

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

Question put and agreed to.

9 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Immigration (Leave to Enter and Remain) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Order 2020, which was laid before this House on 22 October, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Business and Planning Act 2020 (London Spatial Development Strategy) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020, which were laid before this House on 2 November, be approved.—(*David Duguid.*)

Question agreed to.

10Public petitions

A public petition from residents of Kilmarnock and Loudoun relating to support for post offices was presented and read by Alan Brown.

11Adjournment

Subject: Mental health support in policing (Greg Smith)

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

Adjourned at 7.27 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

12Botulinum Toxin and Cosmetic Fillers (Children) Bill Committee

Christina Rees (Chair) reported the Bill without amendment.

Bill, not amended, to be considered on Friday 5 March 2021.

13Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee

Philip Davies (Chair) reported the draft Agricultural Products, Food and Drink (Amendment Etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 and the Draft Food (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020.

14Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee

David Mundell (Chair) reported the draft Veterinary Medicines and Residues (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 and the draft Aquatic Animal Health and Alien Species in Aquaculture, Animals, and Marketing of Seed, Plant and Propagating Material (Legislative Functions and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020.

15Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee

Steve McCabe (Chair) reported the draft Data Protection Privacy and Electronic Communications (Amendments 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).

16 Prisons (Substance Testing) Bill Committee

Chair: Ms Nusrat Ghani

Members: Bim Afolami, Duncan Baker, Ben Bradley, Ms Lyn Brown, Rob Butler, Dan Carden, Bambos Charalambous, Alex Davies-Jones, Lucy Frazer, Mr Richard Holden, Jane Hunt, Mr Kevan Jones, Ben Lake, Chris Loder, Julie Marson, Sarah Olney and Suzanne Webb

17First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Official Controls (Animals, Feed and Food, Plant Health etc.) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 and the draft Import of, and Trade in, Animals and Animal Products (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Mr Laurence Robertson

Members: Chris Bryant, Virginia Crosbie, James Daly, Miss Sarah Dines, Mark Fletcher, Gill Furniss, Patrick Grady, Jane Hunt, Fay Jones, James Morris, Holly Mumby-Croft, Luke Pollard, Victoria Prentis, Lloyd Russell-Moyle, Nick Smith, Alexander Stafford and Zarah Sultana

18Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Jurisdiction, Judgments and Applicable Law (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)

Chair: Sir David Amess

Members: Imran Khan Ahmed, Apsana Begum, Rob Butler, Ruth Cadbury, Alex Chalk, Bambos Charalambous, Chris Clarkson, Judith Cummins, Alex Cunningham, Dr Luke Evans, Jonathan

Gullis, Daniel Kawczynski, Tom Pursglove, David Simmonds, Dr Ben Spencer, Owen Thompson and Derek Twigg

**19Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft Data Protection Privacy and Electronic
Communications (Amendments etc) (EU
Exit) Regulations 2020)**

Members: Laura Farris discharged and Rob Roberts nominated in substitution.

**20Ninth Delegated Legislation Committee
(draft Human Medicines (Amendment etc.)
(EU Exit) Regulations 2020 and the draft
Medical Devices (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit)
Regulations 2020)**

Members: Shaun Bailey discharged and Nicola Richards nominated in substitution.

Reports from Select Committees

21Environmental Audit Committee

(1) Technological innovations and Climate Change: Heat Pumps: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 896);

(2) *Biodiversity and ecosystems*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 636);

(3) *Correspondence from the Office for National Statistics relating to Sustainable Development Goals*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy relating to the Ten Point Plan for a Green Industrial Revolution*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Fixing fashion: follow up*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 874)

(Philip Dunne).

22European Scrutiny Committee

(1) Thirtieth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 229-xxvi);

(2) *Ministerial correspondence*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 229)

(Sir William Cash).

23 Foreign Affairs Committee

Correspondence with the Foreign Secretary on Xinjiang detention camps: Written evidence, to be published (HC 800) (Tom Tugendhat).

24 Home Affairs Committee

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

(2) *Police conduct and complaints:* Part of the written evidence, to be published (HC 706)

(Yvette Cooper).

25 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

Appointment of the Chair of the Equality and Human Rights Commission: Twelfth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1022) (Ms Harriet Harman).

26 International Development Committee

Correspondence with the Foreign Secretary relating to a change to the Official Development Assistance budget: Written evidence, to be published (Sarah Champion).

27 International Trade Committee

(1) *UK trade remedies policy: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 701);*

(2) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to the World Trade Organization Boeing dispute: Written evidence, to be published;*

(3) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State and the Chancellor of the Exchequer relating to the Committee's UK Freeports inquiry: Written evidence, to be published;*

(4) *UK trade negotiations: Written evidence, to be published (HC 233)*

(Angus Brendan MacNeil).

28 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

Cross-border co-operation on policing, security and criminal justice after Brexit: Oral

evidence, to be published (HC 766) (Simon Hoare).

29 Science and Technology Committee

(1) *A new UK research funding agency:*
Written evidence, to be published (HC 778);

(2) *The role of technology, research and innovation in the COVID-19 recovery:*
Written evidence, to be published (HC 697)
(Greg Clark).

30 Scottish Affairs Committee

Universities and Scotland: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 673) (Pete Wishart).

31 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Thirty-Second Report, to be printed (HC 75-xxxii) (Jessica Morden).

32 Statutory Instruments (Select Committee on)

Twenty-Fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 73-xxv) (Jessica Morden).

33Transport Committee

The work of the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1002) (Huw Merriman).

34Work and Pensions Committee

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

(2) Correspondence from the Minister for Disabled People, Health and Work relating to the Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) Correspondence from the National Audit Office relating to applications for Universal Credit: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) DWP's Annual Report and Accounts 2019–20: Written evidence, to be published (HC 759);

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

(6) Measurements of poverty: Written evidence, to be published (HC 854)

(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 Infrastructure spending in the North of England

Resolved, That this House has considered infrastructure spending in the North of England.—(*Damien Moore.*)

2 NHS dentistry and oral health inequalities

Resolved, That this House has considered access to NHS dentistry and oral health inequalities.—(*Judith Cummins.*)

The sitting was suspended between 11.30 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Future of football governance

Resolved, That this House has considered the future of football governance.—(Clive Efford.)

4 Effectiveness and transparency of the Parole Board in maintaining public safety

Resolved, That this House has considered the effectiveness and transparency of the Parole Board in maintaining public safety.—(Alberto Costa.)

5 Government's levelling-up agenda and Tees Valley

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the Government's levelling-up agenda and Tees Valley.—(Alex Cunningham.)

At 5.30 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(14)).

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

Adjourned at 5.30 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Arms and Ammunition

Draft Antique Firearms Regulations 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Priti Patel)

2 Insolvency

Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act 2020 (Coronavirus) (Suspension of Liability for Wrongful Trading and Extension of the Relevant Period) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1349), dated 24 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Alok Sharma)

3 Public Health

Draft Health Protection (Coronavirus, Testing Requirements and Standards) (England) Regulations 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Matt Hancock)

Papers laid under paragraphs 3(3) and 17(3) of Schedule 7 to the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018

4 Exiting the European Union (Civil Aviation)

Proposal for an instrument titled Air Traffic Management (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) (No. 3) Regulations 2020, with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

Other papers

5 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs: Managing flood risk

(by Act), to be printed (HC 962) (Clerk of the House)

6 Treasury

(1) Green Book Review 2020: Findings and response (by Command) (CP 331) (Steve Barclay)

(2) National Infrastructure Strategy: Fairer, faster, greener (by Command) (CP 329) (The Chancellor of the Exchequer)

(3) Office for Budget Responsibility: Economic and fiscal outlook (by Command) (CP 318) (Kemi Badenoch)

(4) Spending Review 2020 (by Command) (CP 330) (The Chancellor of the Exchequer)

Withdrawn papers

7 Arms and Ammunition

Draft Antique Firearms Regulations 2020, with an Explanatory Memorandum (laid 9 November)

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
Liz Saviile-Roberts	25 November 2020	Ben Lake
Kevin Hollinrake	26 November 2020	Stuart Andrew

2. 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 Members have 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
Steve Brine	26 November 2020
Dr Julian Lewis	26 November 2020

CORRECTION

Tuesday 24 November 2020

Item 30 should have read:

Health and Social Care Committee

(1) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State*: Written evidence, to be published

(2) *Delivering core NHS and care services during the pandemic and beyond*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 320);

(3) *Workforce burnout and resilience in the NHS and social care*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 703)

(Jeremy Hunt).