

# Wednesday 3 February 2021

# **Votes and Proceedings**

The House met at 11.30 am.

**Prayers** 

- 1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Wales
- 2 Speaker's Statement: Captain Sir Tom Moore
- 3 Questions to the Prime Minister
- 4 Urgent Question: Support for university students as a result of the pandemic (Michelle Donelan)
- 5 Gaming Hardware (Automated Purchase and Resale) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Douglas Chapman, supported by Martyn Day, Ronnie Cowan and Margaret Ferrier, presented a Bill to prohibit the automated purchase and resale of games

consoles and computer components; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 253).

# 6 Air Quality: Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for improving air quality;

That Theresa Villiers, Bob Blackman, Andrew Rosindell, Bob Seely, Felicity Buchan, Chris Loder, Steve Brine, Neil Parish, George Freeman, Dr Rupa Huq, Geraint Davies and Jim Shannon present the Bill.

Theresa Villiers accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 254).

## 7 Business of the House (Today)

Ordered, That, at this day's sitting -

(1) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 16 (Proceedings under an Act or on European Union documents)

and Standing Order No. 17 (Delegated Legislation (negative procedure)), the Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on—

- (a) the Motions in the name of Nigel Adams relating to Exiting the European Union (Sanctions) (SI, 2019, Nos. 1142 and 1145, and SI, 2020, Nos. 590, 597, 608, 610, 951, 1468 and 1474) not later than three hours after the commencement of proceedings on this Motion,
- (b) the Motions in the name of Jesse Norman relating to Exiting the European Union (Value Added Tax) (SI, 2020, Nos. 1312 and 1544) not later than one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first such Motion,
- (c) the Motion in the name of Ian Blackford relating to the Travellers' Allowances and Miscellaneous Provisions (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1412) not later than one and a half hours after the

commencement of proceedings on that Motion;

- (d) those Motions may be proceeded with, though opposed, after the moment of interruption; and Standing Order No. 41A (Deferred divisions) shall not apply; and
- (2) the Motion in the name of Tom Hunt relating to grooming gangs may be proceeded with, though opposed, after the moment of interruption, and may continue for one hour after its commencement or until 7.00 pm, whichever is the later, and shall then lapse if not previously concluded.—(David Rutley.)

# 8 Exiting the European Union (Sanctions)

- (1) Resolved, That the Bosnia and Herzegovina (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 608), dated 18 June 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 22 June 2020, be approved.—(James Cleverly.)
- (2) *Resolved*, That the Burundi (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI, 2019, No. 1142), dated 18 July 2019, a copy of which was laid before this House on 19 July 2019,

- in the last Parliament, be approved.—(James Cleverly.)
- (3) Resolved, That the Cyber (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 597), dated 15 June 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 17 June 2020, be approved.—(James Cleverly.)
- (4) Resolved, That the Guinea (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI, 2019, No. 1145), dated 18 July 2019, a copy of which was laid before this House on 19 July 2019, in the last Parliament, be approved.—(James Cleverly.)
- (5) Resolved, That the Misappropriation (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1468), dated 7 December 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 9 December 2020, be approved.—(James Cleverly.)
- (6) *Resolved*, That the Nicaragua (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 610), dated 18 June 2020, a copy of which

- was laid before this House on 22 June 2020, be approved.—(James Cleverly.)
- (7) Resolved, That the Sanctions (EU Exit) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 590), dated 11 June 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 15 June 2020, be approved.—(James Cleverly.)
- (8) Resolved, That the Sanctions (EU Exit) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 4) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 951), dated 3 September 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 8 September 2020, be approved.—(James Cleverly.)
- (9) Resolved, That the Unauthorised Drilling Activities in the Eastern Mediterranean (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1474), dated 7 December 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 11 December 2020, be approved.—(James Cleverly.)

# 9 Exiting the European Union (Value Added Tax)

(1) Resolved, That the Value Added Tax (Miscellaneous Amendments to Acts of Parliament) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI,

2020, No. 1312), dated 18 November 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 19 November 2020, be approved.—(Jesse Norman.)

(2) Resolved, That the Value Added Tax (Miscellaneous Amendments to the Value Added Tax Act 1994 and Revocation) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1544), dated 18 December 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 21 December 2020, be approved.—(Jesse Norman.)

## 10Exiting the European Union (Excise)

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Travellers' Allowances and Miscellaneous Provisions (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1412), dated 3 December 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 3 December 2020, be revoked.—(*Gavin Newlands.*)

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

Question put.

The House divided.

Division No. 226

Ayes: 74 (Tellers: David Linden, Owen

Thompson)

Noes: 353 (Tellers: Maria Caulfield, David

Rutley)

Question accordingly negatived.

#### 11Petitions Committee

**Grooming gangs** 

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered e-petitions 300239 and 327566 relating to grooming gangs.—
(*Tom Hunt*.)

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

Question put and agreed to.

# 12Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Government of Wales Act 2006 (Amendment) Order 2021, which was laid

before this House on 14 December 2020, be approved.—(*David T C Davies*.)

Question agreed to.

# 13Adjournment

Subject: Establishing a bereavement standard to support families (Grahame Morris)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.— (David T C Davies.)

Adjourned at 7.25 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Lords Messages

#### **14Trade Bill**

The Lords do not insist on certain Amendments to the Trade Bill to which the Commons have disagreed but propose Amendments in lieu to which they desire the agreement of the Commons; they do not insist on their other Amendments to which the Commons have disagreed; and they agree without amendment to other Amendments made by the Commons.

First Reading and Printing of Lords Bills

#### 15Trade Bill

Lords Message relating to the Trade Bill to be considered tomorrow, and to be printed, pursuant to Standing Orders No. 78 and No. 57A (Bill 252).

General Committees: Reports

# **16Animal Welfare (Sentencing) Bill Committee**

Dame Angela Eagle (Chair) reported the Bill without amendment.

Bill, not amended, to be considered tomorrow.

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).

# 17Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill [Lords] Committee

Chairs: Siobhain McDonagh and Sir Charles Walker

Members: Nickie Aiken, Brendan Clarke-Smith, Robert Courts, Ruth Edwards, Ben Everitt, Colleen Fletcher, Gareth Johnson, Mike Kane, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Robbie Moore, Jessica Morden, Gavin Newlands, Dean Russell, Sam Tarry, Owen Thompson, Maggie Throup and Matt Western

# 18First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Community Infrastructure Levy (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2021)

Chair: Sir Graham Brady

Members: Stuart Andrew, Stella Creasy, Leo Docherty, Ms Angela Eagle, Mike Freer, Rebecca Harris, Tony Lloyd, Steve McCabe, Rachel Maclean, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Tom Pursglove, Bell Ribeiro-Addy, Gary Sambrook, Sam Tarry, Maggie Throup, Michael Tomlinson and Liz Twist

19Second Delegated Legislation Committee (Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (All Tiers) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 53) and the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (All Tiers and Self- Isolation) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 97))

Chair: Sir David Amess

Members: Stuart Andrew, Andy Carter, Jon Cruddas, Leo Docherty, Ms Nadine Dorries, Steve Double, Mary Kelly Foy, Mike Freer, Rebecca Harris, Darren Jones, Catherine McKinnell, Justin Madders, Tom Pursglove, Graham Stringer, Mark Tami, Maggie Throup and Michael Tomlinson

20Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Bank for International Settlements (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2021)

Chair: Dr Rupa Huq

Members: Debbie Abrahams, Stuart Andrew, Gareth Bacon, Leo Docherty, Stephen Doughty, James Duddridge, Maria Eagle, Mike Freer, Rebecca Harris, Grahame Morris, Joy Morrissey, Tom Pursglove, Owen Thompson, Maggie Throup, Stephen Timms, Michael Tomlinson and Liz Twist

21Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Social Security (Contributions) (Rates, Limits and Thresholds Amendments and National Insurance Funds Payments) Regulations 2021 and the draft Tax Credits, Child Benefit and Guardian's Allowance Up-rating Regulations 2021)

Chair: David Mundell

Members: Stuart Andrew, Sarah Champion, Leo Docherty, Rosie Duffield, Mike Freer, Gill Furniss, Barry Gardiner, Rebecca Harris, Dr Rupa Huq, Marco Longhi, Jesse Norman, Abena Oppong-Asare, Tom Pursglove, Owen Thompson, Maggie Throup, Michael Tomlinson and Craig Williams

# 22Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Scottish Rates of Income Tax (Consequential Amendments) Order 2021)

Chair: Mrs Maria Miller

Members: Stuart Andrew, Wendy Chamberlain, Leo Docherty, Colleen Fletcher, Mark Fletcher, Mike Freer, Patrick Grady, Rebecca Harris, Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck, Jesse Norman, Bridget Phillipson, Tom Pursglove, Maggie Throup, Michael Tomlinson, Mick Whitley, Nadia Whittome and Craig Williams

# 23Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Fertilisers and Ammonium Nitrate Material (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2021)

Chair: Mr Laurence Robertson

Members: Tahir Ali, Stuart Andrew, Mr Ben Bradshaw, Leo Docherty, Chris Evans, Mike Freer, Gill Furniss, Rebecca Harris, Fay Jones, Victoria Prentis, Tom Pursglove, Nicola Richards, Zarah Sultana, Owen Thompson, Maggie Throup, Michael Tomlinson and Daniel Zeichner

# Reports from Select Committees

#### **24Environmental Audit Committee**

- (1) Green jobs and the just transition: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 903);
- (2) Energy efficiency of existing homes: Written evidence, to be published (HC 346);
- (3) Technological innovations and climate change: heat pumps: Written evidence, to be published (HC 896)

(Philip Dunne).

### **25European Scrutiny Committee**

- (1) Thirty-fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 229-xxxi);
- (2) *Ministerial correspondence*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 229)

(Sir William Cash).

#### **26Home Affairs Committee**

- (1) Home Office preparedness for COVID-19 (coronavirus): Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 232);
- (2) Correspondence from the Home Secretary relating to the Hong Kong British National (Overseas) route: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence from the Minister for Crime and Policing relating to the deletion of data from the Police National Computer: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Counter-extremism and counterterrorism: Part of the written evidence, to be published (HC 784)

(Yvette Cooper).

# **27Human Rights (Joint Committee on)**

The Government's Independent Human Rights Act Review: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1161) (Ms Harriet Harman).

#### **28International Trade Committee**

(1) *UK trade negotiations*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 233);

- (2) Correspondence from the Secretary of State: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *UK Export Finance Supplementary Estimate 2020–21*: Written evidence, to be published

(Angus Brendan MacNeil).

#### **29Justice Committee**

- (1) Children and Young People in Custody (Part 2): The Youth Secure Estate and Resettlement: Sixteenth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 922);
- (2) Children and Young People in Custody (Part 1): Entry into the youth justice system: Government Response to the Committee's Twelfth Report: Ninth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1185)

(Sir Robert Neill).

## **30Northern Ireland Affairs Committee**

(1) Work of the Veterans' Commissioner for Northern Ireland: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1183);

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

#### **31Petitions Committee**

E-petitions session: Arrangements for touring professionals and artists in the EU: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1166) (Catherine McKinnell).

# **32Science and Technology Committee**

UK science, research and technology capability and influence in global disease outbreaks: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 136) (Greg Clark).

## 33Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Thirty-ninth Report, to be printed (HC 75-xxxix) (John Lamont).

# 34Statutory Instruments (Select Committee on)

Thirty-second Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 73-xxxii) (John Lamont).

## **35Transport Committee**

Responsibilities of the Secretary of State for Transport: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1169) (Huw Merriman).

## **36Treasury Committee**

- (1) Budget 2021: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1196);
- (2) *Economic crime*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 917)

(Mel Stride).

#### **37Work and Pensions Committee**

- (1) DWP's response to the coronavirus outbreak: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 178);
- (2) Correspondence with the Minister for Pensions and Financial Inclusion relating to the appointment of the Pensions Ombudsman: Written evidence, to be published

(Stephen Timms).

Lindsay Hoyle
Speaker

### **Papers Laid**

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

# 1 Electricity

Draft Renewables Obligation (Amendment) Order 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

#### 2 Road Traffic

M6 Motorway (Junctions 13 to 15) (Variable Speed Limits) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 116), dated 2 February 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

# 3 Senior Courts of England and Wales

Civil Procedure (Amendment) Rules 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 117), dated 28 January 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Robert Buckland)

## Other papers

#### 4 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on UK Research and Innovation and the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy: UK Research and Innovation's management of the Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund (by Act), to be printed (HC 1130) (Clerk of the House)

### 5 Transport

Consultation under clause 60 of the High Speed Rail (West Midlands – Crewe) Bill as amended in the House of Lords (by Command) (CP 380) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

# 6 Treaty Series No. 3 (2021)

Agreement, done at Beijing on 29 December 2020, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the People's Republic of China on Cooperation and Mutual Administrative Assistance in Customs Matters (by Command) (CP 343) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

# **7 Treaty Series No. 4 (2021)**

Agreement, done at London on 1 August 2019, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of New Zealand on Cooperation and Mutual Administrative Assistance in Customs Matters (by Command) (CP 377) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

#### 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 Member listed in the table below is 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
Neil Coyle	4 February	Sir Alan
		Campbell

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 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

John Spellar 4 February