



HOUSE OF COMMONS

Tuesday 16 March 2021

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Justice

2 Statements: (1) Integrated review of security, defence, development and foreign policy (The Prime Minister)

(2) Levelling up (Eddie Hughes)

3 Goods and Services of UK Origin: Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish a presumption in public sector procurement in favour of purchasing goods and services from businesses based in the UK; to require the Secretary of State to publish data on the value of Government contracts awarded to such businesses, and estimates of jobs created as a result, by region and nation; to make provision for a kitemark scheme for goods of predominantly UK origin; and for connected purposes;

That Gareth Thomas, Yvonne Fovargue, Rosie Cooper, Graham Stringer, Dan Jarvis, Mrs Sharon Hodgson, Christina Rees, Mr Kevan Jones, Mr Barry Sheerman, Steve McCabe, Mr Virendra Sharma and Sarah Champion present the Bill.

Gareth Thomas accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 275).

4 Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill: Second Reading (second day)

Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 15 March 2021, That the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill be now read a second time.

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

Amendment moved, to leave out from 'That' to the end of the Question and add 'this House declines to give a Second Reading to the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill, notwithstanding the need for a police covenant and for tougher sentences for serious crimes, including child murder, terrorism and dangerous driving, and for assaults on emergency service workers, because the Bill rushes changes to protest law and fails to introduce a single new measure specifically designed to tackle the epidemic of violence against women and is therefore an abusers' charter since domestic abuse rates have spiked and victims of rape are facing the lowest prosecution rates on record, and because

the Bill fails to criminalise street harassment, fails to make misogyny a hate crime, fails to raise minimum sentences for rape or stalking, and fails to give whole life orders to those found guilty of abduction and sexual assault and murder of a stranger.'—(*David Lammy*.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 238

Ayes: 225 (Tellers: Colleen Fletcher, Liz Twist)

Noes: 359 (Tellers: Maggie Throup, Tom Pursglove)

Question accordingly negated.

Question, That the Bill be now read a second time, put forthwith (Standing Order No. 62(2)).

The House divided.

Division No. 239

Ayes: 359 (Tellers: Maggie Throup, Tom Pursglove)

Noes: 263 (Tellers: Colleen Fletcher, Liz Twist)

Question accordingly agreed to and Bill read a second time.

5 Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill: Programme

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A), That the following provisions shall apply to the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill:

Committal

(1) The Bill shall be committed to a Public Bill Committee.

Proceedings in Public Bill Committee

(2) Proceedings in the Public Bill Committee shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion on Thursday 24 June 2021.

(3) The Public Bill Committee shall have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it meets.

Proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading

(4) Proceedings on Consideration shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour before the moment of interruption on the day on which those proceedings are commenced.

(5) Proceedings on Third Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at the moment of interruption on that day.

(6) Standing Order No. 83B (Programming committees) shall not apply to proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading.

Other proceedings

(7) Any other proceedings on the Bill may be programmed.—(*James Morris*.)

Question agreed to.

6 Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill: Money

Queen's Recommendation signified.

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 52(1)(a)), That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of:

(1) any expenditure incurred under or by virtue of the Act by a Minister of the Crown, government department or other public authority, and

(2) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of money so provided.—(*James Morris.*)

Question agreed to.

7 Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill: Ways and Means

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 52(1)(a)), That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill, it is expedient to authorise the charging of fees for courses offered as an alternative to prosecution for road traffic offences.—(*James Morris.*)

Question agreed to.

8 Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill: Carry-over

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 80A(1)(a)), That if, at the conclusion of this Session of Parliament, proceedings on the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill have not been completed, they shall be resumed in the next Session.—(*James Morris.*)

Question agreed to.

9 Adjournment

Subject: Scottish Civil Service and the operation of the Scotland Act 1998 (Mr David Davis)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*James Morris.*)

Adjourned at 7.51 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Disqualification of a Member

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Notification, laid upon the Table by the Speaker, That the Chancellor of the Exchequer had today appointed Michael Robert Hill, Member for Hartlepool, to be Steward and Bailiff of the Three Hundreds of Chiltern.

Changes to Notices Given

11 Gaming Hardware (Automated Purchase and Resale) Bill

Bill withdrawn.

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).

12 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Grants to the Churches Conservation Trust Order 2021)

Members: Rebecca Harris discharged and James Morris nominated in substitution.

13 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Direct Payments to Farmers (Reductions and Simplifications) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 and the draft Agriculture (Financial Assistance) Regulations 2021)

Members: Rebecca Harris discharged and James Morris nominated in substitution.

General Committees: Reports

14 First Delegated Legislation Committee

Stewart Hosie (Chair) reported the draft Representation of the People (Proxy Vote Applications) (Coronavirus) Regulations 2021.

15 Second Delegated Legislation Committee

Sir Christopher Chope (Chair) reported the draft Grants to the Churches Conservation Trust Order 2021.

Reports from Select Committees

16 Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

(1) *Decarbonising heat in homes*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 851);

(2) *The impact of coronavirus on businesses and workers*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 219)

(Darren Jones).

17 Defence Committee

(1) *Armed Forces and veterans mental health: follow-up*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1133);

(2) *MoD Annual Report and Accounts 2019–20*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1051);

(3) *Women in the Armed Forces: from recruitment to civilian life*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1047)

(Mr Tobias Ellwood).

18 Defence, International Development and International Trade Committees

- (1) *UK arms exports in 2019*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1212);
- (2) *Arms export controls: Initial review*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 965) (Mark Garnier).

19 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

- (1) *The future of UK music festivals*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 886);
- (2) *Economics of music streaming*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 868);
- (3) *EU visa arrangements for creative workers*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1176) (Julian Knight).

20 Education Committee

- (1) *The impact of COVID-19 on education and children's services*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 254);
- (2) *Correspondence from the Social Mobility Commission relating to the Social Mobility Barometer report*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Home education*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 839) (Robert Halfon).

21 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

- (1) *Seafood and meat exports to the EU*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1189);
- (2) *Tree planting and woodlands*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 814);
- (3) *Water Services Regulation Authority (OFWAT) Supplementary Estimate 2020–21*: Written evidence, to be published (Neil Parish).

22 Environmental Audit Committee

- (1) *Energy efficiency of existing homes*: Fourth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 346);
- (2) *Next steps for deposit return schemes*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1221) (Philip Dunne).

23 European Statutory Instruments Committee

- (1) Twenty-first Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1217), and including the following recommendation:
That the affirmative procedure should apply to the instrument titled Introduction and the Import of Cultural Goods (Revocation) Regulations 2021, the proposal for which was laid before this House on 1 March 2021 (Andrew Jones).

24 Foreign Affairs Committee

- (1) *Environmental diplomacy*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 202);
- (2) *Xinjiang detention camps*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 800)
(Tom Tugendhat).

25 Health and Social Care Committee

- (1) *Department's White Paper on health and social care*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1274);
- (2) *Children and young people's mental health*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1194);
- (3) *Workforce burnout and resilience in the NHS and social care*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 703)
(Jeremy Hunt).

26 Justice Committee

- (1) *Court capacity*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 284);
- (2) *The future of legal aid*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 289);
- (3) *Correspondence with the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State*: Written evidence, to be published
(Sir Robert Neill).

27 Petitions Committee

- (1) Record of the Committee's decisions relating to e-petitions, to be published;
- (2) List of closed e-petitions presented to the House, to be published
(Catherine McKinnell).

28 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

- (1) *The Civil Service Commission*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1314);
- (2) *Correspondence with the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster relating to the open letter from openDemocracy*: Written evidence, to be published
(Mr William Wragg).

29 Science and Technology Committee

- (1) *Work of the Biometrics Commissioner and Forensic Science Regulator: Government Response to the Nineteenth Report from the Committee of Session 2017-19*: First Special Report, to be printed (HC 1319);
- (2) *A new UK research funding agency*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 778);
- (3) *The role of hydrogen in achieving net zero*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1066);
- (4) *UK science, research and technology capability and influence in global disease outbreaks*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 136)
(Greg Clark).

30 Standards (Committee on)

- Code of conduct*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 671) (Chris Bryant).

31 Transport Committee

- (1) *Trains Fit for the Future?: Sixth Report*, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 876);
- (2) *Major transport infrastructure projects: appraisal and delivery*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1067);
- (3) *The impact of the coronavirus pandemic on the aviation sector: follow-up*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1257);
- (4) *The roll-out and safety of smart motorways*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1275);
- (5) *Zero emission vehicles and road pricing*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1106) (Huw Merriman).

32 Women and Equalities Committee

- (1) *Correspondence from the Minister for Safeguarding relating to the Violence Against Women and Girls and Domestic Abuse strategies*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (2) *Correspondence with the Minister for Care relating to the temporary Coronavirus Act provisions affecting disabled people*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Correspondence with Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Children and Families relating to the temporary Coronavirus Act provisions affecting disabled people*: Written evidence, to be published (Caroline Nokes).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.25 am (Order, 25 February).

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

1 Commonwealth Day 2021

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 Commonwealth Day 2021.—(Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger.)

2 Use of Release Under Investigation by the Metropolitan Police

Resolved, That this House has considered the use of Release Under Investigation by the Metropolitan Police.—(Sir David Amess.)

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

3 The effect of the COVID-19 outbreak on animal welfare

Resolved, That this House has considered the effect of the COVID-19 outbreak on animal welfare.—(Alex Davies-Jones.)

The sitting was suspended between 3.56 pm and 4.05 pm (Order, 25 February).

4 Arrest of opposition politicians in Turkey

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of the arrest of opposition politicians in Turkey.—(*Feryal Clark*.)

The sitting was suspended between 4.33 and 4.50 pm (Order, 25 February).

5 Union connectivity review

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 the Union connectivity review.—(*John Lamont*.)

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

Adjourned at 5.48 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Income Tax

Income Tax (Construction Industry Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 321), dated 15 March 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (*Jesse Norman*)

2 Social Security

Universal Credit (Extension of Coronavirus Measures) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 313), dated 15 March 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (*Will Quince*)

3 Tribunals and Inquiries

Tribunal Procedure (Amendment) Rules 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 322), dated 14 March 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (*Secretary Robert Buckland*)

Other papers

4 Cities and Local Government Devolution

Secretary of State's Report on Devolution for 2019-20 (by Act) (*Secretary Robert Jenrick*)

5 Integrated Review of Security, Defence, Development and Foreign Policy

Integrated Review of Security, Defence, Development and Foreign Policy: Global Britain in a competitive age (by Command) (CP 403) (*The Prime Minister*)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Voting by proxy

1. 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

David Linden

From

17 March