



# House of Commons

Thursday 8 July 2021

## Votes and Proceedings

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The House met at 9.30 am.

Prayers

**1 Questions to the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office**

**2 Business Question (Leader of the House)**

**3 Statements: (1) International Travel (Secretary Grant Shapps)  
(2) Afghanistan (The Prime Minister)**

**4 Licences and Licensing**

*Resolved*, That the draft Licensing Act 2003 (2020 UEFA European Championship Licensing Hours) Order 2021, which was laid before this House on 7 July, be approved.—(*Victoria Atkins.*)

**5 Fuel poverty**

*Resolved*, That this House has considered fuel poverty.—(*Anne-Marie Trevelyan.*)

**6 Backbench Business**

Implementation of the recommendations of the Independent Medicines and Medical Devices Safety Review

*Resolved*, That this House notes the publication of the Independent Medicines and Medical Devices Safety Review, First Do No Harm; further notes the Government's failure to respond to the recommendations of that review in full; notes the significant discrepancy between the incidence of complication following mesh surgery in the Hospital Episode Statistics and the British Society of Urogynaecology databases, as highlighted in the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists' Project Report, entitled Hospital Episode Statistics as a Source of Information on Safety and Quality in Gynaecology to Support Revalidation; notes that the Government's plan to publish a retrospective audit to investigate the links between patient-level data to explore outcomes has not been fulfilled; notes that the moratorium on mesh implant procedures should not be lifted until that audit has been undertaken and the true scale of suffering established; notes Ministers' failure to acknowledge recommendations relating to victims

of Primodos; and calls on the Government to fully implement the recommendations for victims of mesh, sodium valproate and Primodos without further delay.—(*Emma Hardy.*)

## **7 Adjournment**

Subject: Reform of electricity network grid charges (Alan Brown)

*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mike Freer.*)

Adjourned at 6.21 pm until Monday 12 July.

## **Other Proceedings**

### *General Committees: Reports*

## **8 Rating (Coronavirus) and Directors Disqualification (Dissolved Companies) Bill Committee**

Christina Rees (Chair) reported:

(1) written evidence submitted to the Committee; and

(2) the Bill without amendment.

Written evidence to be published.

Bill, not amended, to be considered tomorrow.

## **9 Ninth Delegated Legislation Committee**

Dr Rupa Huq (Chair) reported the draft Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (Disability Assistance, Young Carer Grants, Short-Term Assistance and Winter Heating Assistance) (Consequential Provision and Modifications) Order 2021.

### *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).*

## **10 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft European Union and European Atomic Energy Community (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2021)**

Chair: Stewart Hosie

## **11 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Electricity Capacity (Amendment) Regulations 2021)**

Chair: Graham Stringer

## **12 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Health Security (EU Exit) Regulations 2021)**

Chair: Mrs Sheryll Murray

- 13 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Railway (Licensing of Railway Undertakings) (Amendment) Regulations 2021)**  
Chair: Mr Philip Hollobone
- 14 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Road Vehicle Carbon Dioxide Emission Performance Standards (Cars and Vans) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2021)**  
Chair: Rushanara Ali
- 15 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Medical Devices (Coronavirus Test Device Approvals) (Amendment) Regulations 2021)**  
Chair: Philip Davies  
Members: Virginia Crosbie discharged and Steve Double nominated in substitution.
- 16 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Fisheries Act 2020 (Scheme for Financial Assistance) (England) Regulations 2021)**  
Chair: Derek Twigg
- 17 Eighth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Motor Fuel (Composition and Content) and the Biofuel (Labelling) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2021)**  
Chair: Mr Laurence Robertson
- 18 Ninth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Medical Devices (Northern Ireland Protocol) Regulations 2021)**  
Chair: Dr Rupa Huq

### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 19 Backbench Business Committee**  
Determination of business to be taken on Tuesday 20 July in Westminster Hall and Thursday 22 July in the Chamber and Westminster Hall (Ian Mearns).
- 20 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee**  
*Economics of music streaming*: Second Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 50) (Julian Knight).
- 21 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)**  
*Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Education relating to the Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Bill*: Written evidence, to be published (Ms Harriet Harman).
- 22 Public Accounts (Committee of)**  
(1) *Local auditor reporting on local government in England*: Eleventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 171);  
(2) *Test and Trace 2*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 182);

(3) *Correspondence with the Department of Health and Social Care relating to the Public Health England Report into hospital discharges into care homes*: Written evidence, to be published

(Meg Hillier).

## 23 Standards (Committee on)

*Boris Johnson*:

(i) First Report, with Appendices, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 549);

(ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 549)

(Chris Bryant).

## 24 Treasury Committee

(1) *Economic crime*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 145);

(2) *The work of the Prudential Regulation Authority*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 415)

(Mel Stride).

## 25 Welsh Affairs Committee

(1) *Welsh freeport and progress in establishing inland post-Brexit facilities*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 480);

(2) *Correspondence with the Minister of State for Building Safety, Fire and Communities relating to the Building Safety Bill*: Written evidence, to be published

(Stephen Crabb).

*Lindsay Hoyle*

Speaker

# Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 1.30 pm

Business determined by the Backbench Business Committee (Standing Orders No. 10(7) and No. 14(4))

## 1 Effect of the COVID-19 outbreak on household debt

*Resolved*, That this House has considered the effect of the COVID-19 outbreak on household debt.—(*Yvonne Fovargue*.)

*The sitting was suspended between 2.57 pm and 3.15 pm (Orders, 25 February and 16 June).*

## 2 Regulation of election campaign finances

*Resolved*, That this House has considered regulation of election campaign finances.—(*Damian Collins*.)

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

Adjourned at 4.28 pm until Monday 12 July.

*Eleanor Laing*

Chairman of Ways and Means

## Papers Laid

### Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

#### **1 International Immunities and Privileges**

Draft Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Nigel Adams)

### Papers subject to Negative Resolution

#### **2 Animals**

Official Controls (Extension of Transitional Periods) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 809), dated 7 July 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

#### **3 Public Service Pensions**

Teachers' Pensions (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 805), dated 6 July 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Nick Gibb)

#### **4 Social Security**

Universal Credit (Coronavirus) (Restoration of the Minimum Income Floor) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 807), dated 7 July 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Mims Davies)

#### **5 Tax Credits**

Tax Credits and Child Benefit (Miscellaneous and Coronavirus Amendments) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 810), dated 7 July 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Steve Barclay)

### Other papers

#### **6 Communications**

(1) Accounts of the Office of Communications Section 400 Licence Fees and Penalties for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 394) (Clerk of the House)

(2) Tenth Report on the Secretary of State's functions by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport for the period 29 December 2012–28 December 2020 (by Act), to be printed (HC 290) (Secretary Oliver Dowden)

**7 Business, Energy and industrial Strategy**

Report and Financial Statements of Ordnance Survey Limited for 2020–21 (by Command) (CP 450) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

**8 Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise)**

Report of the Regulator of Community Interest Companies for 2020–21 (by Act) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

**9 Energy**

Statement of the Nuclear Decommissioning Funding Account for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 466) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

**10 Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office**

Report on Human Rights and Democracy for 2020 (by Command) (CP 458) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

**11 Government Resources and Accounts**

(1) Report and Accounts of English Sports Development Trust Limited for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Statutory Instrument), to be printed (HC 352) (Nigel Huddleston)

(2) Report and Accounts of Oil and Gas Authority for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Statutory Instrument), to be printed (HC 320) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

(3) Report and Accounts of the Architects Registration Board for 2020–21 (by Act) (Secretary Robert Jenrick)

(4) Report and Accounts of the Crown Prosecution Service for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 430) (Jesse Norman)

(5) Report and Accounts of the Government Property Agency for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 278) (Michael Gove)

(6) Report and Accounts of the Home Office for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 369) (Jesse Norman)

(7) Report and Accounts of the Planning Inspectorate for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 418) (Secretary Robert Jenrick)

(8) Report and Accounts of the Sports Council Trust Company for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Statutory Instrument), to be printed (HC 353) (Nigel Huddleston)

(9) Report and Accounts of the UK Space Agency for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 332) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

**12 Government Trading Funds**

Report and Accounts of the Met Office for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 455) (Clerk of the House)

**13 Health and Social Care**

Report and Accounts of the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 287) (Secretary Sajid Javid)

**14 National Audit**

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department for Transport, Transport for London and Crossrail Limited: Crossrail - a progress update (by Act), to be printed (HC 299) (Clerk of the House)

**15 National Health Service**

Report and Accounts of Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for 2020–21 (by Act) (Secretary Sajid Javid)

**16 Northern Ireland**

Report and Accounts of the Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 529) (Secretary Brandon Lewis)

**17 Office of Communications**

Report and Accounts of the Office of Communications for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 459) (Mr John Whittingdale)

**18 Postal Services**

Report of Royal Mail Group Limited on Postal Heritage for 2019–20 (by Act) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

**19 Treasury**

Report and Accounts of UK Asset Resolution Limited for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Command) (CP 449) (John Glen)

**Withdrawn papers****20 International Immunities and Privileges**

Draft Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (Immunities and Privileges) Order 2021, with an Explanatory Memorandum (laid 7 July)

**21 Exiting the European Union (Medicines)**

Proposal for an instrument titled Human Medicines (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2021, with an Explanatory Memorandum (laid 6 July)

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**22 Office of Communications**

Report and Accounts of the Office of Communications for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (laid 7 July)

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**SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES****Voting by proxy****1. Variation of existing pandemic proxy 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 Orders of 22 October 2020, and 25 March and 16 June 2021, the following Member has given notice that they wish to amend their proxy voting arrangement:

Further to the certificate of 17 June, the start date for Chris Green's proxy vote is now 13 July, rather than 12 July.

**2. 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 Orders of 22 October 2020, and 25 March and 16 June 2021, 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:

<b>Member</b>	<b>From</b>
Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown	9 July

**CORRECTION**

Wednesday 7 July 2021

This item should have appeared after item 28 (Other Proceedings):

**Transport Committee**

*Major transport infrastructure projects: appraisal and delivery:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 24) (Huw Merriman).