

Wednesday 23 March 2022

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Wales
 - (2) the Prime Minister
- 2 Statements: (1) Spring Statement (The Chancellor of the Exchequer)
 - (2) Daniel Morgan Independent Panel inspection report (Kit Malthouse)
 - (3) Business Statement (Leader of the House)
- 3 Short and Holiday-Let Accommodation (Registration): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Motion made and Question proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish a national register of short and holiday-let accommodation; to give local authorities powers to require information in association with that register; and for connected purposes.—(Ms Karen Buck.)

Motion opposed (Standing Order No. 23(1)).

Question put and agreed to.

Ordered, That Ms Karen Buck, Nickie Aiken, Tim Farron, Rachael Maskell, Lucy Powell, Matthew Pennycook, Tulip Siddiq, Daniel Zeichner, Fleur Anderson, Luke Pollard and Andy Slaughter present the Bill.

Ms Karen Buck accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 6 May, and to be printed (Bill 290).

4 Commercial Rent (Coronavirus) Bill: Programme (No. 3)

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the Commercial Rent (Coronavirus) Bill for the purpose of supplementing the Order of 24 November 2021 (Commercial Rent (Coronavirus) Bill (Programme)) as varied by the Order of 12 January 2022 (Commercial Rent (Coronavirus) Bill (Programme) (No. 2)):

Consideration of Lords Amendments

(1) Proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour after their commencement.

Subsequent stages

- (2) Any further Message from the Lords may be considered forthwith without any Question being put.
- (3) The proceedings on any further Message from the Lords shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour after their commencement.—(Steve Double.)

Question agreed to.

5 Commercial Rent (Coronavirus) Bill: Consideration of Lords Amendments

Lords Amendments 1 to 20 agreed to.

6 Energy

Resolved, That the draft Boiler Upgrade Scheme (England and Wales) Regulations 2022, which were laid before this House on 22 February, be approved.—(*Greg Hands*.)

7 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of the constituency of Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport relating to Devil's Point and Fireside Bay was presented and read by Luke Pollard.

8 Adjournment

Subject: Bradford's bid to become the UK City of Culture 2025 (Imran Hussain) Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Miss Sarah Dines.)

Adjourned at 5.11 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Lords Messages

9 Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill

The Lords insist on an Amendment to the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill to which the Commons have disagreed, for which they assign a Reason; they do not insist on an Amendment to which the Commons have disagreed, but propose an Amendment in lieu to which they desire the agreement of the Commons; they insist on an Amendment to which the Commons have disagreed, for which they assign a Reason, disagree to an Amendment proposed by the Commons and propose an Amendment in lieu with consequential Amendments to which they desire the agreement of the Commons, and insist on an Amendment to which the Commons have disagreed and disagree to the Amendments proposed by the Commons to words so restored to the Bill, for which they assign a Reason; they insist on an Amendment to which the Commons have disagreed, disagree to the Amendments proposed by the Commons to words so restored to the Bill and propose an Amendment instead of words left out of the Bill to which they desire the agreement of the Commons; they do not insist on other Amendments and they agree to other Amendments proposed by the Commons.

10 Dissolution and Calling of Parliament Bill

The Lords do not insist on an Amendment to the Dissolution and Calling of Parliament Bill to which the Commons have disagreed.

Printing of Lords Amendments

11 Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill

Lords Message in relation to the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill to be considered tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 291).

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 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Social Security (Contributions) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2022)

Members: Debbie Abrahams, Stuart Anderson, Sarah Atherton, Mr Richard Bacon, Shaun Bailey, Liam Byrne, Sarah Champion, Theo Clarke, Elliot Colburn, Claire Coutinho, Dame Angela Eagle, Lucy Frazer, Dr Caroline Johnson, Alan Mak, James Murray, Brendan O'Hara and Liz Twist

Reports from Select Committees

13 Environmental Audit Committee

- (1) Work of the Office for Environmental Protection: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1210);
- (2) Biodiversity and ecosystems: Written evidence, to be published (HC 136);
- (3) Technological innovations and climate change: negative emissions technologies: Written evidence, to be published (HC 738)

(Philip Dunne).

14 Home Affairs Committee

- (1) Appointment of the HM Chief Inspector of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services:
 - (i) Seventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1071);
 - (ii) Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1071);
- (2) Home Office policy on Ukrainian refugees: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1193);
- (3) Home Office Supplementary Estimate memorandum 2021–22: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) National Crime Agency Supplementary Estimate memorandum 2021–22: Written evidence, to be published;

- (5) The Macpherson Report: twenty one years on: Written evidence, to be published (HC 139):
- (6) Work of the Home Office: Written evidence, to be published (HC 625) (Tim Loughton).

15 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

Protecting human rights in care settings: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 714) (Dean Russell).

16 International Trade Committee

- (1) UK trade negotiations: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 127);
- (2) Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities relating to freeports: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy relating to Russian oil: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence with the Secretary of State: Written evidence, to be published; (Mark Garnier).

17 Science and Technology Committee

- (1) The right to privacy: digital data: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1000);
- (2) Correspondence from the Minister for Science, Research and Innovation relating to Horizon Europe: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence from the Minister of State for Levelling Up Communities and Equalities relating to the Government's response to the Commission on Race and Ethnic Disparities' report: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy relating to the Chief Executive of the Advanced Research and Invention Agency: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) Diversity and inclusion in STEM: Written evidence, to be published (HC 903);
- (6) Reproducibility and research integrity: Written evidence, to be published (HC 606);
- (7) R&D investment: Written evidence, to be published (HC 785);
- (8) UK science, research and technology capability and influence in global disease outbreaks: Written evidence, to be published (HC 93);
- (9) UK space strategy and UK satellite infrastructure: Written evidence, to be published (HC 98)

(Greg Clark).

18 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Twenty-ninth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 56-xxix) (John Lamont).

19 Statutory Instruments (Select Committee on)

Eighteenth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 57-xviii) (John Lamont).

20 Transport Committee

Integrated Rail Plan: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 974) (Huw Merriman).

21 Welsh Affairs Committee

- (1) One-off session on levelling-up and intergovernmental relations: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1171);
- (2) *Grid capacity in Wales*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1092) (Ben Lake).

22 Women and Equalities Committee

- (1) Reform of the Gender Recognition Act:
 - (i) Government Response to the Committee's Third Report: Fifth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1236);
 - (ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 129);
- (2) Equality and the UK asylum process: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 726);
- (3) Correspondence from the Minister for Equalities relating to the Government Response to the Commission on Race and Ethnic Disparities' report: Written evidence, to be published;

(Caroline Nokes).

23 Work and Pensions Committee

- (1) Protecting pension savers five years on from the pension freedoms: saving for later life: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 989);
- (2) Children in poverty: No recourse to public funds: Written evidence, to be published (HC 603);
- (3) Correspondence with the Economic Secretary to the Treasury relating to tax charges: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence with the Minister for Disabled People, Health and Work relating to access to work grants: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) Health and Safety Executive's approach to asbestos management: Written evidence, to be published (HC 560);
- (6) *Universal Credit and childcare costs*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 871) (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 Impact of the COVID-19 outbreak on social work

Resolved, That this House has considered the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak on social work.—(Cat Smith.)

The sitting was suspended between 10.37 am and 11.00 am.

2 Restoration of Post Office services in Treharris

Resolved, That this House has considered the restoration of Post Office services in Treharris.—(Gerald Jones.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.19 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Increasing capacity and other improvements to the A5 in the Midlands

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of increasing capacity and other improvements to the A5 in the Midlands.—(Mark Pawsey.)

The sitting was suspended between 3.27 pm and 4.00 pm.

4 Quality of care and the estate at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn

Resolved, That this House has considered quality of care and the estate at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn.—(James Wild.)

5 Physical education as a core subject in schools

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of physical education as a core subject in schools.—(Edward Timpson.)

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

Adjourned at 5.28 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Civil Proceedings

Coronavirus Act 2020 (Delay in Expiry: Inquests, Courts and Tribunals, and Statutory Sick Pay) (England and Wales and Northern Ireland) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 362), dated 23 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Agriculture

Organic Production (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 360), dated 22 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

3 Civil Aviation

Air Navigation (Amendment) Order 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 321), dated 16 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

4 Education

Higher Education Short Course Loans Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 349), dated 21 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Michelle Donelan)

5 Excise

Excise Duties (Surcharges or Rebates) (Hydrocarbon Oils etc.) Order 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 365), dated 23 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Chancellor of the Exchequer)

6 Social Security

Employment Allowance (Increase of Maximum Amount) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 364), dated 23 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Lucy Frazer)

7 Value Added Tax

Value Added Tax (Installation of Energy-Saving Materials) Order 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 361), dated 23 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Lucy Frazer)

Other papers

8 Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

Government Response to the Sixth Report of the Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Select Committee, Session 2021–22, on Supporting our high streets after COVID-19 (by Command) (CP 630) (Secretary Michael Gove)

9 National Audit

- (1) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department of Health and Social Care: Investigation into the government's contracts with Randox Laboratories Ltd (by Act), to be printed (HC 1018) (Clerk of the House)
- (2) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Home Office: The Police Uplift Programme (by Act), to be printed (HC 1147) (Clerk of the House)

10 Treasury

- (1) Office for Budget Responsibility: Economic and fiscal outlook (by Command) (CP 648) (Helen Whately)
- (2) Spring Statement 2022 (by Command) (CP 653) (The Chancellor of the Exchequer)