



# House of Commons

Tuesday 17 May 2022

## Votes and Proceedings

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The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

**1 Wakefield Writ**

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County Constituency of Wakefield, in the room of Imran Nasir Ahmad Khan, who, since his election to the said County Constituency, has been appointed to the Office of Steward and Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough and Burnham, in the county of Buckingham.—(*Chris Heaton-Harris*.)

**2 Tiverton and Honiton Writ**

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County Constituency of Tiverton and Honiton, in the room of Neil Quentin Gordon Parish, who since his election to the said County Constituency, has been appointed to the Office of Steward and Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of Northstead in the county of York.—(*Chris Heaton-Harris*.)

**3 Speaker's Statement: Ballot for Private Members' Bills**

**4 Questions to the Chancellor of the Exchequer**

**5 Statement: Northern Ireland Protocol (Secretary Elizabeth Truss)**

**6 Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)**

Secretary Brandon Lewis, supported by the Prime Minister, Secretary Dominic Raab, Secretary Ben Wallace, Secretary Alister Jack, Secretary Simon Hart, the Attorney General, Conor Burns, David T C Davies, Leo Docherty and Iain Stewart, presented a Bill to address the legacy of the Northern Ireland Troubles and promote reconciliation by establishing an Independent Commission for Reconciliation and Information Recovery, limiting criminal investigations, legal proceedings, inquests and police complaints, extending the prisoner release scheme in the Northern Ireland (Sentences) Act 1998, and providing for experiences to be recorded and preserved and for events to be studied and memorialised.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 10) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 10–EN).

## 7 Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address) (fifth day)

Debate resumed (Order, 16 May).

Question again proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which was addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

Subject: Tackling short-term and long-term cost-of-living increases

Amendment proposed, at the end of the Question to add 'but respectfully regret that the Gracious Speech fails to announce a windfall tax on the profits of oil and gas producers, in order to provide much-needed relief from energy price increases for households.'—*(Edward Miliband.)*

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

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 1

Ayes: 248 (Tellers: Mary Glendon, Colleen Fletcher)

Noes: 310 (Tellers: Gareth Johnson, Michael Tomlinson)

Question accordingly negatived.

Since it was after 7.00 pm, the debate stood adjourned (Standing Order No. 9(3)). Debate to be resumed tomorrow.

## 8 Statutory Instruments: Motion for Approval

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Civil Enforcement of Road Traffic Contraventions (Representations and Appeals) (England) Regulations 2022, which were laid before this House on 7 March in the last session of Parliament, be approved.—*(Scott Mann.)*

Question agreed to.

## 9 Changes to membership of select committees

(1) *Ordered*, That Valerie Vaz be discharged from the Environmental Audit Committee and Anna McMorris be added.—*(Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*

(2) *Ordered*, That Sir Edward Leigh be discharged from the Committee on National Security Strategy and Stephen McPartland be added.—*(Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*

(3) *Ordered*, That Andy Slaughter be discharged from the Justice Committee and Karl Turner be added.—*(Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*

(4) *Ordered*, That Rachel Hopkins be discharged from the Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee and Beth Winter be added.—*(Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*

(5) *Ordered*, That Mark Logan be discharged from the Science and Technology Committee and Tracey Crouch be added.—*(Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*

(6) *Ordered*, That Navendu Mishra be discharged from the Transport Committee and Christian Wakeford be added.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

**10 Adjournment**

Subject: Child maintenance arrears (Dr Kieran Mullan)

*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Adjourned at 7.45 pm until tomorrow.

## Other Proceedings

### *General Committees: Appointments*

**11 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Alternative Finance (Income Tax, Capital Gains Tax and Corporation Tax) Order 2022)**

Members: Shailesh Vara discharged and Dr Caroline Johnson nominated in substitution.

### *General Committees: Reports*

**12 First Delegated Legislation Committee**

Sir Edward Leigh (Chair) reported the draft Alternative Finance (Income Tax, Capital Gains Tax and Corporation Tax) Order 2022.

### *Select Committees: Reports*

**13 Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee**

(1) *Decarbonising heat in homes: Government Response to the Committee's Seventh Report of Session 2021-22: First Special Report*, to be printed (HC 208)

(2) *Help to Grow Scheme*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 207);

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister for Energy, Clean Growth and Climate Change relating to bulb energy*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Minister for Small Business, Consumers and Labour Markets*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing relating to Learned Societies at Burlington House*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Correspondence with the British Business Bank relating to Covid loan fraud*: Written evidence, to be published;

(8) *Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Main Estimate Memorandum 2022-23*: Written evidence, to be published;

(9) *Energy pricing and the future of the Energy Market*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 236);

(10) *OFGEM Main Estimate Memorandum 2022-23*: Written evidence, to be published;

(11) *UK Atomic Energy Authority Pension Scheme Main Estimate Memorandum 2022-23*: Written evidence, to be published

(Darren Jones).

#### 14 Defence Committee

(1) *The treatment of contracted staff for the MoD's ancillary services*: First Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 187);

(2) *Operation Isotrope: the use of the military to counter migrant crossings: Government Response to the Committee's Fourth Report of Session 2021-22*: First Special Report of Session 2022-23, to be printed (HC 267);

(3) *Ministry of Defence Annual report and Accounts 2020-21*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 269)

(John Spellar).

#### 15 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

(1) *Sustainability of local journalism*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 153);

(2) *What next for the National Lottery?*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 154)

(Julian Knight).

#### 16 Education Committee

(1) *The future of post-16 qualifications*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 55);

(2) *Accountability hearings*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 58);

(3) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State regarding the Schools Bill [Lords]*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Department for Education Main Estimate Memorandum 2022-23*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Ofqual Main Estimate Memorandum 2022-23*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Ofsted Main Estimate Memorandum 2022-23*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Teachers' Pension Scheme Main Estimate Memorandum 2022-23*: Written evidence, to be published

(Robert Halfon).

#### 17 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

(1) *Work of the Environment Agency*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 221);

(2) *Correspondence from the Minister for Nature Recovery and the Domestic Environment relating to the Government's draft Environmental Principles Policy Statement*: Written evidence to, to be published;

(3) *Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Main Estimate 2022-23*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Import check readiness*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 249);

(5) *Labour shortages in the food and farming sector*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 250);

(6) *Rural mental health*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 248);

(7) *Water Services Regulation Authority (Ofwat) Main Estimate Memorandum 2022-23*: Written evidence, to be published

(Geraint Davies).

**18 Finance Committee**

Record of the Committee's decisions taken at its meeting on 17 May, to be published (Mr Nicholas Brown).

**19 Foreign Affairs Committee**

(1) *Missing in action: UK leadership and the withdrawal from Afghanistan:*

(i) First Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 169);

(ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 169);

(2) *The FCDO's approach to state level hostage situations:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 166);

(3) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman relating to his investigation into a complaint made against the FCDO:* Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence with the Foreign Secretary relating to Myanmar:* Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence with the Foreign Secretary relating to the British Council:* Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23:* Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *The situation in Ukraine and the UK's response:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 263)

(Tom Tugendhat).

**20 Health and Social Care Committee**

(1) *The impact of body image on mental and physical health:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 114);

(2) *Correspondence with NHS England and NHS Improvement relating to PHSO recommendations: unlocking solutions in imaging:* Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Workforce: recruitment, training and retention in health and social care:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 115)

(Jeremy Hunt).

**21 Justice Committee**

(1) *The work of the Criminal Justice Inspectorates:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 224);

(2) *Correspondence from the Minister of State for Justice relating to progress on Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Prisons recommendations:* Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister of State for Justice relating to Mental Health Act reform:* Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Minister of State of for Justice relating to section 28 rollout and the rape support service:* Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State and Assistant Government Whip relating to the National Security Bill:* Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Crown Prosecution Service Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23: Written evidence, to be published;*

(7) *Fraud and the Justice System: Written evidence, to be published (HC 12);*

(8) *Judicial Pension Scheme Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23: Written evidence, to be published;*

(9) *Ministry of Justice Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23: Written evidence, to be published;*

(10) *UK Supreme Court Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23: Written evidence, to be published*

(Sir Robert Neill).

## 22 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;

(3) *Correspondence with the Minister for Equalities relating to e-petition 613556, on transgender conversion therapy: Written evidence, to be published*

(Catherine McKinnell).

## 23 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

(1) *Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman Scrutiny 2020-21: First Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 213);*

(2) *Coronavirus Act 2020 Two Years On: Government's response to the Committee's Seventh report of Session 2021–22: First Special Report, to be printed (HC 211);*

(3) *Propriety of governance in light of Greensill: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 212);*

(4) *Correspondence from NHS England and NHS Improvement relating to Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman recommendations: Unlocking solutions in imaging: Written evidence, to be published;*

(5) *Correspondence from Professor Sir Ian Diamond relating to public confidence in Official Statistics report: Written evidence, to be published;*

(6) *Correspondence from the Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service and Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office relating to Cabinet Office Supplementary Estimate and future spending: Written evidence, to be published;*

(7) *Correspondence with the Cabinet Secretary and Head of the Civil Service relating to the Cabinet Manual: Written evidence, to be published;*

(8) *The Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House: Written evidence, to be published (HC 262);*

(9) *Cabinet Office Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23: Written evidence, to be published;*

(10) *TStatistics Board Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23: Written evidence, to be published*

(Mr William Wragg).

## 24 Standards (Committee on)

*New Code of Conduct and Guide to the Rules: promoting appropriate values, attitudes and behaviour in Parliament: First Report, to be printed, with paper setting out lay*

members' opinion on the Report and the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 227) (Chris Bryant).

## **25 Transport Committee**

(1) *Correspondence from the Minister of State for Roads, Buses and Places relating to dual registration statutory instruments*: Written evidence, to be published;

(2) *Department for Transport Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Work of the Secretary of State for Transport*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 163)

(Huw Merriman).

*Lindsay Hoyle*

Speaker

## **Papers Laid**

### **Papers subject to Negative Resolution**

#### **1 Miscellaneous Series No. 3 (2022)**

Council of Europe Convention, done at Istanbul on 11 May 2011, on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (CP 674), (by Command), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary Elizabeth Truss)

### **Other papers**

#### **2 Supply Estimates 2022–23**

(1) Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body: Main Supply Estimate for 2022–23 (by Act), to be printed (HC 239) (Dame Eleanor Laing)

(2) Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body: Main Supply Estimate for 2022–23: Comments from the Parliamentary Works Estimates Commission and the Treasury, to be printed (HC 232) (Dame Eleanor Laing)