



House of Commons

Tuesday 6 September 2022

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 **Questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs**
- 2 **Urgent Question: Sewage pollution (Secretary George Eustice)**
- 3 **Energy Costs (Domestic Customers and Small Business) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)**

Ed Davey, supported by Wera Hobhouse and Sarah Olney, presented a Bill to prohibit Ofgem from increasing the energy tariff cap above the level set for the period 1 April 2022 to 30 September 2022 before 31 December 2022; to require the Secretary of State to report to Parliament on the merits of the Government providing funding to energy providers to mitigate the impact of this measure and on the merits of extending and backdating the Energy Profits Levy in order to pay for such funding; to require the Secretary of State to report to Parliament on the merits of the Government providing grants to small businesses equivalent to 80% of the expected increase in their energy costs for the period 1 October 2022 to 30 September 2023, and on the merits of maintaining the rate of the Corporation Tax Surcharge on banks at 8% in order to fund such grants; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 16 September, and to be printed (Bill 150).

- 4 **Criminal Appeal (Amendment): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Criminal Appeal Act 1968 to allow leave to appeal an unspent conviction where there has been a material change in the law, notwithstanding the date of conviction; and for connected purposes;

That Mr Barry Sheerman, Sir Robert Neill, Kim Johnson, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Yasmin Qureshi, Hilary Benn, Julie Elliott, Janet Daby, Dan Jarvis, Jim Shannon, Valerie Vaz and Kim Leadbeater present the Bill.

Mr Barry Sheerman accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 20 January 2023, and to be printed (Bill 151).

- 5 **Trade (Australia and New Zealand) Bill: Second Reading**

Motion made and Question put, That the Trade (Australia and New Zealand) Bill be now read a second time.

The House divided.

Division No. 54

Ayes: 309 (Tellers: Craig Whittaker, Gareth Johnson)

Noes: 56 (Tellers: Marion Fellows, Richard Thomson)

Question accordingly agreed to and Bill read a second time.

6 Trade (Australia and New Zealand) Bill: Programme

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the Trade (Australia and New Zealand) 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 22 September 2022.

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

Proceedings on Consideration and on 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 proceedings on Consideration 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.—(*Adam Holloway.*)

Question agreed to.

7 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the Republic of Belarus (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 748), a copy of which was laid before this House on 4 July, be approved.—(*Adam Holloway.*)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Double Taxation Relief and International Tax Enforcement (Luxembourg) Order 2022, which was laid before this House on 20 June, be approved.—(*Adam Holloway.*)

Question agreed to.

8 Adjournment

Subject: Impact of Small Brewers Relief on independent brewers (Owen Thompson)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Adam Holloway.*)

Adjourned at 6.55 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Private Business

9 High Speed Rail (Crewe - Manchester) Bill

Mr Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to Order (25 January 2022), That, in the case of the Petition for Additional Provision deposited on 6 July 2022 in relation to the High Speed Rail (Crewe - Manchester) Bill, certain Standing Orders are applicable. Furthermore, of those which are applicable, Standing Orders 4, 4A, 10, 10A, 11, 12, 12A, 13, 27, 27A, 34, 36, 39, 41, 45 and 47 have not been complied with.

Report referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

Changes to Notices Given

10 Data Protection and Digital Information Bill

Bill to be read a second time tomorrow.

11 Automated External Defibrillators (Public Access) Bill

Order for second reading on Friday 9 September, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 24 March 2023.

General Committees: Reports

12 National Security Bill Committee

James Gray (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

13 Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill Committee

Mr Ian Paisley (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

14 Third Delegated Legislation Committee

Peter Dowd (Chair) reported the draft Armed Forces Act (Continuation) Order 2022.

15 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee

Julie Elliott (Chair) reported the draft Cat and Dog Fur (Control of Movement Etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022.

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).

16 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Cat and Dog Fur (Control of Movement etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022)

Members: Andrew Griffiths and Alicia Kearns discharged and Felicity Buchan and Penny Mordaunt nominated in substitution.

17 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Chemicals (Health and Safety) Trade and Miscellaneous Amendments Regulations 2022)

Members: Justin Madders discharged and Imran Hussain nominated in substitution.

Select Committees: Reports

18 Backbench Business Committee

Transcript of representations made on Tuesday 6 September to be published (Ian Mearns).

19 Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

(1) *The impact of the cost of living crisis on workers, consumers and business*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 680);

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

(3) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence relating to energy and low-cost lending*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence relating to fraudulent company registrations*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence relating to the merger of OneWeb and Eutelsat*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Pubs Code Adjudicator*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 589);

(8) *The semiconductor industry in the UK*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 291) (Darren Jones).

20 Defence Committee

(1) *The treatment of contracted staff for the MOD's ancillary services: Government Response to the Committee's First Report: Second Special Report*, to be printed (HC 702);

(2) *UK Defence and the Indo-Pacific*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 183);

(3) *Aviation procurement*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 178);

(4) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to aid and equipment to Ukraine*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to Type 26 frigate programme*: Written evidence, to be published

(6) *Defence and Climate Change*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 179);
(Tobias Ellwood).

21 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

(1) *Influencer culture: Lights, camera, inaction?: Government Response to the Committee's Twelfth Report of Session 2021–22: Third Special Report*, to be printed (HC 687);

(2) *The work of the BBC*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 382);

(3) *Connected tech: smart or sinister?*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 157);

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

(5) *The work of Channel 4*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 381);

(6) *What next for the National Lottery?*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 154)
(Julie Elliott).

22 Education Committee

(1) *Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG)*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 54);

(2) *Children's Homes*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 57);

(3) *Children's Services and the murders of Arthur Labinjo-Hughes and Star Hobson*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 58);

(4) *Correspondence from Ofqual relating to 2022 exam results*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to Ofsted Board Recruitment*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *The future of post-16 qualifications*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 55)
(Robert Halfon).

23 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

(1) *Environmental Land Management Scheme: Progress Update*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 621);

(2) *Correspondence from the Minister for Small Business, Consumers and Labour Markets relating to the Grocery Code Adjudicator*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to the 2021/22 Progress Report for the 25 Year Environment Plan*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to the water environment*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Marine mammals*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 697);

(6) *Plastic waste*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 22);

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

(8) *Work of the Department*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 705)
(Sir Robert Goodwill).

24 European Statutory Instruments Committee

Third Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 8) (Andrew Jones).

25 Finance Committee

Record of the Committee's decisions taken at its meeting on 6 September, to be published (Mr Nicholas Brown).

26 Foreign Affairs Committee

(1) *The cost of complacency: illicit finance and the war in Ukraine: Government Response to the Committee's Second Report*: Third Special Report, to be printed (HC 688);

(2) *Correspondence relating to the FCDO Main Estimate 2022–23*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with the Minister for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean relating to the Government's response to the Committee's Report on Lagos calling: Nigeria and the Integrated Review*: Written evidence, to be published;

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

(5) *Work of the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 171)

(Tom Tugendhat).

27 Health and Social Care Committee

(1) *Correspondence with the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman relating to the unlocking solutions in imaging*: Written evidence, to be published;

(2) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to the HSSIB Chair*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Department of Health and Social Care Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Digital transformation in the NHS*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 223);

(5) *Food Standards Agency Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Integrated Care Systems: autonomy and accountability*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 587);

(7) *The future of General Practice*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 113);

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

(Jeremy Hunt).

28 International Development Committee

(1) *Correspondence with the Minister of State for South and Central Asia, North Africa, UN and the Commonwealth relating to Independent Commission for Aid Impact (ICAI) budget*: Written evidence, to be published;

(2) *Extreme poverty and the Sustainable Development Goals*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 147);

(3) *ICAI's review of the UK's approach to safeguarding in the humanitarian sector*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 454)

(Sarah Champion).

29 Justice Committee

* This item has been corrected since publication. See the correction in the Votes and Proceedings relating to Thursday 22 September 2022.

(1) *Covid-19 and the criminal law: Government Response to the Committee's Fourth Report of Session 2021–22*: Second Special Report, to be printed (HC 644);

(2) *The Future of Legal Aid: Updated Government Response to the Committee's Third Report of Session 2021–22*: Third Special Report, to be printed (HC 698);

(3) *Criminal Bar Association strike action*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 678);

(4) *Correspondence from the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State relating to the appointment of the Victims' Commissioner*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State relating to the recruitment of the Chair of the Judicial Appointments Commission*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary relating to the HMPPS Structure Review and Director General Appointments*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Correspondence with the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State relating to the rollout of section 28*: Written evidence, to be published;

(8) *Imprisonment for public protection (IPP) sentences*: Part of written evidence, to be published (HC 266);

(9) *Open justice: court reporting in the digital age*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 339)

(10) *Prisons update*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 233);

(11) *The Future of Legal Aid*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 665)

(Sir Robert Neill).

30 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)

31 Transport Committee

(1) *Road Freight Supply Chain: Government response to the Committee's First Report*: Second Special Report, to be printed (HC 701);

(2) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Transport relating to additional funding for Transport for London*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Maritime 2050: objectives, implementation and effects*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 160);

(4) *Office of Rail and Road Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Rail strikes*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 581);

(6) *Smart motorways*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 606);

(7) *Work of the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 699)

(Huw Merriman).

32 Treasury Committee

(1) *Future of financial services regulation: responses to the Committee's First Report*: Second Special Report, to be printed (HC 690);

(2) *Future of financial services*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 141);

(3) *The Strong and Simple Framework*: Written evidence, taken before the Sub-Committee on Financial Services Regulations, to be published (HC 537)

(Mel Stride).

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 Unavoidably small hospitals

Resolved, That this House has considered unavoidably small hospitals.—(*Bob Seely*.)

2 Redevelopment of Peterborough Station Quarter

Resolved, That this House has considered the redevelopment of Peterborough Station Quarter.—(*Paul Bristow*.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.17 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Potential merits of devolving employment law to Scotland

Resolved, That this House has considered the potential merits of devolving employment law to Scotland.—(*Angela Crawley*.)

4 Reform of employee share ownership schemes

Resolved, That this House has considered reform of employee share ownership schemes.—(*Sir George Howarth*.)

The sitting was suspended between 3.50 pm and 4.00 pm.

5 Covid-19 vaccines and the Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme

Resolved, That this House has considered covid-19 vaccines and the Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme.—(*Sir Jeremy Wright*.)

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

Adjourned at 5.29 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Health Care and Associated Professions

Draft Dentists, Dental Care Professionals, Nurses, Nursing Associates and Midwives (International Registrations) Order 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Maria Caulfield)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Agriculture

Food Information (Amendment of Transitional Provisions) (England) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 938), dated 5 September 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

3 Electronic Communications

Electronic Communications (Universal Service) (Amendment) Order 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 937), dated 5 September 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Matt Warman)

Other papers

4 House of Commons Commission

Report of the House of Commons Commission on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Standards: Nomination of Candidate (pursuant to Resolution), to be printed (HC 694) (The Speaker)

5 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department for Levelling up, Housing and Communities: The Affordable Homes Programme since 2015 (by Act), to be printed (HC 652) (Clerk of the House)

6 National Health Service

(1) Report and Accounts of Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for 2021–22 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(2) Report and Accounts of Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital NHS Foundation Trust for 2021–22 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(3) Report and Accounts of Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust for 2021–22 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(4) Report and Accounts of Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust for 2021–22 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(5) Report and Accounts of Norfolk and Norwich University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for 2021–22 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(6) Report and Accounts of North West Boroughs Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust for the period 1 April to 31 May 2021 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(7) Report and Accounts of South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust for 2021–22 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(8) Report and Accounts of Sussex Community NHS Foundation Trust for 2021–22 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(9) Report and Accounts of The Christie NHS Foundation Trust for 2021–22 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

Papers laid under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018

7 Exiting the European Union (Consumer Protection)

Proposal for an instrument titled Product Safety and Metrology (Amendment) Regulations 2022, with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

8 Exiting the European Union (Electricity)

Proposal for an instrument titled Guarantees of Origin of Electricity Produced from Renewable Energy Sources and High-efficiency Cogeneration (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022, with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Voting by proxy

1 Variation of proxy voting arrangement

The Speaker has certified, further to the certificate of 4 July, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), that Siobhan Baillie has given notice that she wishes to vary her proxy voting arrangement. Her nominated proxy will be Kelly Tolhurst with effect from 6 September.