



House of Commons

Tuesday 17 October 2023

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care
- 2 Urgent Question: Core school budget allocations (Nick Gibb)
- 3 Devolution (Employment) (Scotland): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Motion made and Question put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Scotland Act 1998 to grant legislative competence for employment matters to the Scottish Parliament.—(*David Linden.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 328

Ayes: 22 (Tellers: Kirsty Blackman, Gavin Newlands)

Noes: 33 (Tellers: Hywel Williams, Alan Brown)

Question accordingly negatived.

- 4 Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill: Programme (No. 4)

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill for the purpose of supplementing the Order of 8 June 2022 (Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill: Programme), as varied by the Orders of 22 September 2022 (Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill: Programme (No. 2)) and 23 November 2022 (Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill: Programme (No.3)):

Consideration of Lords Amendments

(1) Proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at 5.00pm at today's sitting.

(2) The Lords Amendments shall be considered in the following order: 117, 231, 237, 369, 1, 2, 4, 3, 6, 10, 13, 14, 18, 22, 30, 31, 44 to 46, 80 to 82, 90, 102, 103, 133, 134, 137, 139, 142, 156, 157, 172, 180, 199, 239 to 243, 288, 244, 249, 273, 280, 285, 327, 329, 5, 7 to 9, 11, 12, 15 to 17, 19 to 21, 23 to 29, 32 to 43, 47 to 79, 83 to 89, 91 to 101, 104 to 116, 118 to 132, 135, 136, 138, 140, 141, 143 to 155, 158 to 171, 173 to 179, 181 to 198, 200 to 230, 232 to 236, 238, 245 to 248, 250 to 272, 274 to 279, 281 to 284, 286, 287, 289 to 326, 328, 330 to 368, 370 to 418.

Subsequent stages

(3) Any further Message from the Lords may be considered forthwith without any Question being put.

(4) Proceedings on the first of any further Messages from the Lords shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion two hours after their commencement.

(5) Proceedings on any subsequent Message from the Lords shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour after their commencement.—(*Andrew Stephenson.*)

Question agreed to.

5 Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill: Consideration of Lords Amendments

The Deputy Speaker announced that Lords Amendments 46, 73 to 75, 78, 82, 231, 241, 249, 301 to 327 and 349 to 367 engaged financial privilege.

Lords Amendment 117

Amendment (a) made.

Amendments (b), (c) and (d) made.

Lords Amendment 117, as amended, agreed to.

Lords Amendment 231

Motion made and Question put, That Amendment (a) be made to Lords Amendment 231.—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 329

Ayes: 307 (Tellers: Amanda Solloway, Robert Largan)

Noes: 10 (Tellers: Munira Wilson, Wendy Chamberlain)

Question agreed to.

Amendment (a) accordingly made to Lords Amendment 231.

Lords Amendment 231, as amended, agreed to.

Lords Amendment 237

Amendments (a) and (b) made.

Lords Amendment 237, as amended, agreed to.

Lords Amendment 369

Amendments (a), (c), (b) and (d) made.

Lords Amendment 369, as amended, agreed to.

Lords Amendment 1

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 1.—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 330

Ayes: 309 (Tellers: Amanda Solloway, Robert Largan)

Noes: 190 (Tellers: Mary Glindon, Christian Wakeford)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 1 accordingly disagreed to.

As it was after 5 pm, the Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary to bring proceedings on Lords Amendments to a conclusion (Programme Order, today).

The following Questions were put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83F).

(1) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 2 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 331

Ayes: 301 (Tellers: Amanda Solloway, Robert Largan)

Noes: 195 (Tellers: Mary Glindon, Christian Wakeford)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 2 accordingly disagreed to.

(2) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 4 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 332

Ayes: 298 (Tellers: Joy Morrissey, Scott Mann)

Noes: 197 (Tellers: Mary Glindon, Christian Wakeford)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 4 accordingly disagreed to.

(3) That Amendments (a) and (b) in lieu of Lords Amendments 2 and 4 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) and (b) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendments 2 and 4 disagreed to.

(4) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 3 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 333

Ayes: 300 (Tellers: Joy Morrissey, Scott Mann)

Noes: 193 (Tellers: Mary Glindon, Christian Wakeford)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 3 accordingly disagreed to.

(5) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 6 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 6 accordingly disagreed to.

(6) That Amendments (a) to (d) in lieu of Lords Amendment 6 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) to (d) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 6 disagreed to.

(7) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 10 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 334

Ayes: 297 (Tellers: Joy Morrissey, Scott Mann)

Noes: 193 (Tellers: Mary Glendon, Christian Wakeford)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 10 accordingly disagreed to.

(8) That Amendments (a) and (b) in lieu of Lords Amendment 10 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) and (b) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 10 disagreed to.

(9) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 13 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 335

Ayes: 304 (Tellers: Julie Marson, Andrew Stephenson)

Noes: 159 (Tellers: Mary Glendon, Christian Wakeford)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 13 accordingly disagreed to.

(10) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 14 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 14 accordingly disagreed to.

(11) That Amendments (a) to (p) in lieu of Lords Amendment 14 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) to (p) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 14 disagreed to.

(12) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 18 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 18 accordingly disagreed to.

(13) That Amendments (a) and (b) in lieu of Lords Amendment 18 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) and (b) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 18 disagreed to.

(14) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 22 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 336

Ayes: 303 (Tellers: Julie Marson, Andrew Stephenson)

Noes: 157 (Tellers: Mary Glindon, Christian Wakeford)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 22 accordingly disagreed to.

(15) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 30 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 30 accordingly disagreed to.

(16) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 31 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 31 accordingly disagreed to.

(17) That Amendments (a) to (d) in lieu of Lords Amendments 30 and 31 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) to (d) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendments 30 and 31 disagreed to.

(18) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 44 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 337

Ayes: 302 (Tellers: Andrew Stephenson, Julie Marson)

Noes: 152 (Tellers: Gerald Jones, Samantha Dixon)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 44 accordingly disagreed to.

(19) That Amendments (a) and (b) in lieu of Lords Amendment 44 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) and (b) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 44 disagreed to.

(20) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 45 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 338

Ayes: 303 (Tellers: Fay Jones, Steve Double)

Noes: 152 (Tellers: Gerald Jones, Samantha Dixon)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 45 accordingly disagreed to.

(21) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 46 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 46 accordingly disagreed to.

(22) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 80 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 80 accordingly disagreed to.

(23) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 81 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 339

Ayes: 299 (Tellers: Fay Jones, Steve Double)

Noes: 148 (Tellers: Gerald Jones, Samantha Dixon)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 81 accordingly disagreed to.

(24) That Amendments (a) to (c) in lieu of Lords Amendment 81 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) to (c) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendments 81 disagreed to.

(25) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 82 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 340

Ayes: 304 (Tellers: Fay Jones, Steve Double)

Noes: 12 (Tellers: Wendy Chamberlain, Munira Wilson)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 82 accordingly disagreed to.

(26) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 90 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 90 accordingly disagreed to.

(27) That Amendment (a) in lieu of Lords Amendment 90 be agreed to (Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Amendment (a) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 90 disagreed to.

(28) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 102 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 102 accordingly disagreed to.

(29) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 103 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 103 accordingly disagreed to.

(30) That Amendments (a) to (d) in lieu of Lords Amendments 102 and 103 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) to (d) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendments 102 and 103 disagreed to.

(31) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 133 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 133 accordingly disagreed to.

(32) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 134 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 134 accordingly disagreed to.

(33) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 137 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 137 accordingly disagreed to.

(34) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 139 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 139 accordingly disagreed to.

(35) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 142 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 142 accordingly disagreed to.

(36) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 156 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 156 accordingly disagreed to.

(37) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 157 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 157 accordingly disagreed to.

(38) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 172 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 172 accordingly disagreed to.

(39) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 180 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 180 accordingly disagreed to.

(40) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 199 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 341

Ayes: 295 (Tellers: Mike Wood, Ruth Edwards)

Noes: 143 (Tellers: Gerald Jones, Samantha Dixon)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 199 accordingly disagreed to.

(41) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 239 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 239 accordingly disagreed to.

(42) That Amendments (a) to (c) in lieu of Lords Amendment 239 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) to (c) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 239 disagreed to.

(43) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 240 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 240 accordingly disagreed to.

(44) That Amendments (a) to (c) in lieu of Lords Amendment 240 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) to (c) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 240 disagreed to.

(45) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 241 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

The House divided.

Division No. 342

Ayes: 291 (Tellers: Ruth Edwards, Mike Wood)

Noes: 139 (Tellers: Samantha Dixon, Gerald Jones)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 241 accordingly disagreed to.

(46) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 242 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 242 accordingly disagreed to.

(47) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 243 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 243 accordingly disagreed to.

(48) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 288 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 288 accordingly disagreed to.

(49) That Amendments (a) to (d) in lieu of Lords Amendments 242, 243 and 288 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) to (d) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendments 242, 243 and 288 disagreed to.

(50) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 244 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

The House divided.

Division No. 343

Ayes: 289 (Tellers: Ruth Edwards, Mike Wood)

Noes: 136 (Tellers: Samantha Dixon, Gerald Jones)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 244 accordingly disagreed to.

(51) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 249 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 249 accordingly disagreed to.

(52) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 273 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

The House divided.

Division No. 344

Ayes: 285 (Tellers: Andrew Stephenson, Stuart Anderson)

Noes: 132 (Tellers: Gerald Jones, Samantha Dixon)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 273 accordingly disagreed to.

(53) That Amendment (a) in lieu of Lords Amendment 273 be agreed to (Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—*(Rachel Maclean.)*

Question agreed to.

Amendment (a) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 273 disagreed to.

(54) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 280 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 280 accordingly disagreed to.

(55) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 285 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 285 accordingly disagreed to.

(56) That Amendment (a) in lieu of Lords Amendment 285 be agreed to (Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Amendment (a) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 285 disagreed to.

(57) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 327 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 327 accordingly disagreed to.

(58) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 329 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Rachel Maclean.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 345

Ayes: 286 (Tellers: Jo Churchill, Stuart Anderson)

Noes: 131 (Tellers: Samantha Dixon, Gerald Jones)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 329 accordingly disagreed to.

(59) That Amendments (a) and (b) in lieu of Lords Amendment 329 be agreed to (Single Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to a Lords Amendment).—(*Rachel Maclean.*)

Question agreed to.

Amendments (a) and (b) accordingly made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 329 disagreed to.

(60) That this House agrees with the Lords in their Amendments 5, 7 to 9, 11, 12, 15 to 17, 19 to 21, 23 to 29, 32 to 43, 47 to 79, 83 to 89, 91 to 101, 104 to 116, 118 to 132, 135, 136, 138, 140, 141, 143 to 155, 158 to 171, 173 to 179, 181 to 198, 200 to 230, 232 to 236, 238, 245 to 248, 250 to 272, 274 to 279, 281 to 284, 286, 287, 289 to 326, 328, 330 to 368 and 370 to 418 be agreed to (Single Question to agree with all remaining Lords Amendments).

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendments 5, 7 to 9, 11, 12, 15 to 17, 19 to 21, 23 to 29, 32 to 43, 47 to 79, 83 to 89, 91 to 101, 104 to 116, 118 to 132, 135, 136, 138, 140, 141, 143 to 155, 158 to 171, 173 to 179, 181 to 198, 200 to 230, 232 to 236, 238, 245 to 248, 250 to 272, 274 to 279, 281 to 284, 286, 287, 289 to 326, 328, 330 to 368 and 370 to 418 accordingly agreed to, with Commons privilege waived in respect of Lords Amendments 73 to 75, 78, 231, 301 to 326 and 349 to 367.

Title accordingly amended as follows: A Bill to make provision for the setting of levelling-up missions and reporting on progress in delivering them; about local democracy; about town and country planning; about Community Infrastructure Levy; about the imposition of Infrastructure Levy; about environmental outcome reports for certain consents and plans; about nutrient pollution standards; about regeneration; about the compulsory purchase of land; about information and records relating to land, the environment or heritage; about the registration of short-term rental properties; for the provision for pavement licences to be permanent; about governance of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors; about the charging of fees in connection with marine licences; for a body to replace the Health and Safety Executive as the building safety regulator; about the transfer of land for Academy schools; about the review of maps of open country and registered common land; about the regulation of childminding; about road user charging schemes in London; and for connected purposes.

Motion made, and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83H(2)), That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendments 1, 3, 13, 22, 45, 46, 80, 82, 133, 134, 137, 139, 142, 156, 157, 172, 180, 199, 241, 244, 249, 280 and 327.

That Sara Britcliffe, Mary Glindon, Paul Holmes, Matthew Pennycook, Rachel Maclean, Mr Gagan Mohindra and Anum Qaisar be members of the Committee.

That Rachel Maclean be the Chair of the Committee.

That three be the quorum of the Committee.

That the Committee do withdraw immediately.—(*Robert Langan.*)

Question agreed to.

6 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Courts (Prescribed Recordings) Order 2023, which was laid before this House on 17 July, be approved.—(*Robert Langan.*)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (Revocation and Sunset Disapplication) Regulations 2023 which were laid before this House on 4 September, be approved.—(*Robert Langan.*)

Question agreed to.

7 Public petitions

(1) A public petition from residents of the constituency of South Leicestershire relating to Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange was presented and read by Alberto Costa.

(2) A public petition from residents of Galgate relating to parked vehicles and emergencies was presented and read by Cat Smith.

8 Adjournment

Subject: Childhood cancer outcomes (Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Robert Langan.*)

Adjourned at 8.51 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Lords Message

9 Non-Domestic Rating Bill

The Lords agree to the Non-Domestic Rating Bill with amendments to which they desire the agreement of the Commons.

First Reading and Printing of Lords Bills

10 Non-Domestic Rating Bill

Lords Amendments to the Non-Domestic Rating Bill to be considered tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 371) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 371-EN).

Public petitions

11 Petition Presented Informally

A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to home to school transport in Thrapston and surrounding villages was presented.

Reasons Committees: Reports

12 Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill: Reasons Committee

Rachel Maclean reported that the Committee had agreed the following Reasons:

Lords Amendment 1

Because the first statement of levelling-up missions should not be required to be laid before Parliament by the time provided for by the Lords Amendment.

Lords Amendment 3

Because it is unnecessary and inappropriate for a statement of levelling-up missions to include such an assessment of geographical disparities in the United Kingdom.

Lords Amendment 13

Because it would undermine the key feature of a combined county authority, that only upper-tier local authorities can be constituent members.

Lords Amendment 22

Because local authorities should continue to meet in person to ensure good governance.

Lords Amendment 45

Because it is not appropriate to place a duty on the Secretary of State to have special regard to the mitigation of, and adaptation to, climate change, in preparing the policies or advice concerned.

Lords Amendments 46, 249 and 327

Because they would involve a charge on public funds, and the Commons do not offer any further Reason, trusting that this Reason may be deemed sufficient.

Lords Amendment 80

Because requiring local planning authorities to refuse planning permission for residential property on Zone 3a or 3b flood zones would inappropriately and excessively limit the places where residential property could be built.

Lords Amendment 82

Because it would alter the financial arrangements made by the Commons, and the Commons do not offer any further Reason, trusting that this Reason may be deemed sufficient.

Lords Amendments 133, 134, 137, 139, 142, 156, 157, 172 and 180

Because the amendments were introduced at Lords Report stage in connection with other amendments that were not agreed to.

Lords Amendment 199

Because it is not appropriate for the Government, and local authorities, to intervene in high street financial services.

Lords Amendment 241

Because it would involve a charge on public funds, and the Commons do not offer any further Reason, trusting that this Reason may be deemed sufficient.

Lords Amendment 244

Because the National Planning Policy Framework has recently been altered in relation to onshore wind electricity generation and it is not currently appropriate to make further changes to the planning treatment of such electricity generation.

Lords Amendment 280

Because the new Clause inserted by Lords Amendment 79 (Biodiversity net gain: pre-development biodiversity value and habitat enhancement) should come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by regulations appoint rather than two months after Royal Assent.

Select Committees: Reports

13 Backbench Business Committee

Transcript of representations made on Tuesday 17 October to be published (Ian Mearns).

14 Business and Trade Committee

(1) *Three-Vodafone merger: implications for competition*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1869);

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

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister for International Trade relating to UK-Korea trade negotiations*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to a memorandum of understanding on trade cooperation between the UK and Washington State*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Food and fuel price inflation: will prices come down this year?*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1595);

(6) *The performance of investment zones and freeports in England*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1492)

(Mark Pawsey).

15 Defence Committee

(1) *UK Defence and the Indo-Pacific*: Eleventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 183);

(2) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to Traffic Management at RIAT*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Future aviation capabilities*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1822);

(4) *Service accommodation*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1749)

(John Spellar).

16 Education Committee

(1) *Support for childcare and the early years: Government response to the Committee's Fifth Report*: Sixth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1902);

(2) *Ofsted's work with schools*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1507);

(3) *Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary relating to an update to the National Funding Formula*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to the appointment of an Interim Chief Regulator of Ofqual*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Pre-appointment hearing for His Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education, Children's Services and Skills*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1800);

(6) *Screen time: Impacts on education and wellbeing*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1823);

(7) *Special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1248)

(Mr Robin Walker).

17 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

(1) *Pet welfare and abuse*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1123);

(2) *Correspondence from Cllr Sarah Nelmes relating to the District Councils' Network's environment on delayed waste reforms*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Director General and Chief Executive of the Agricultural Engineers Association relating to the Equipment Theft (Prevention) Act 2023*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to the Border Target Operating Model*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Thames Water and the financial resilience of the water industry*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1704);

(6) *UK trade policy: Food and agriculture*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1364)

(Sir Robert Goodwill).

18 European Statutory Instruments Committee

Seventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1853), and including the following recommendation:

That the affirmative procedure should apply to the instrument titled Data Protection (Fundamental Rights and Freedoms) (Amendment) Regulations 2023;
(Andrew Jones).

19 Finance Committee

Record of the Committee's decisions taken at its meeting on 17 October, to be published (Mrs Sharon Hodgson).

20 Foreign Affairs Committee

(1) *Combatting state hostage diplomacy: A follow-up to the Government's response to the Committee's Sixth Report*: Ninth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1915);

(2) *Guns for gold: the Wagner Network exposed: Government Response to the Committee's Seventh Report*: Seventh Special Report, to be printed (HC 1914);

(3) *Follow up to the Committee's First Report: Missing in action: UK leadership and the withdrawal from Afghanistan*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1888);

(4) *The UK's engagement in Central Asia*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1158)
(Alicia Kearns).

21 International Development Committee

(1) *UK aid for refugee host countries: Government Response to the Eighth Report of the Committee, Session 2022–23*: Ninth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1917);

(2) *FCDO and disability-inclusive development*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1747);

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister for Development and Africa relating to the treatment of NGO's operating in Pakistan*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *FCDO's approach to sexual and reproductive health*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1216);

(5) *Future of UK aid*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 148)
(Sarah Champion).

22 Justice Committee

(1) *Work of the Law Commission*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1908);

(2) *Constitutional relationship with the Crown Dependencies*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1388);

(3) *Correspondence from the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Minister for Courts and Legal services*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Minister for Prisons and Probation*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Justice*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Correspondence with the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice relating to Whole Life Orders*: Written evidence, to be published;

(8) *Work of the Lord Chancellor: Written evidence, to be published (HC 883)*

(Sir Robert Neill).

23 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

(1) *The effect of paramilitary activity and organised crime on society in Northern Ireland*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 24);

(2) *PSNI data breaches*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1791)

(Simon Hoare).

24 National Security Strategy (Joint Committee on)

Ransomware: Written evidence, to be published (HC 850) (Margaret Beckett).

25 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 Department of Health and Social Care relating to e-petition 638701*: Written evidence, to be published

(Tonia Antoniazzi).

26 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

(1) *Civil Service People Survey*: Ninth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 575);

(2) *Where civil servants work: Planning for the future of the Government's estates: Government and Office for National Statistics Response to the Committee's Eighth Report of Session 2022–23*: Eighth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1868);

(3) *Lobbying and Influence: Post-legislative scrutiny of the Lobbying Act 2014 and related matters*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 638);

(4) *Correspondence from the Electoral Commission relating to the May 2023 election reports in England and Northern Ireland*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Secretary in the Cabinet Office relating to polling related to the Government's COVID-19 policy*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State in the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities relating to the implementation of voter identification: progress on evaluation*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Devolution capability in Whitehall*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1438);

(8) *Government Emergency Alerts*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1683);

(9) *Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman scrutiny 2022–23*: Written evidence to be published (HC 1820);

(10) *The work of the Cabinet Office*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 950);

(11) *Transforming the UK's evidence base*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1682)

(Mr William Wragg).

27 Treasury Committee

- (1) *Tax Reliefs: Government Response to the Committee's Twentieth Report*: Eight Special Report, to be printed (HC 1875);
 - (2) *Venture Capital: Government Response to the Committee's Nineteenth Report*: Ninth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1876);
 - (3) *Sexism in the City*: Oral evidence and part of written evidence, to be published (HC 1746);
 - (4) *Appointment of Sarah Breeden as Deputy Governor for Financial Stability, Bank of England*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1814);
 - (5) *Correspondence from the Financial Conduct Authority relating to Greensill Capital*: Written evidence, to be published;
 - (6) *Correspondence with the Office for National Statistics relating to the Gross Domestic Product revisions*: Written evidence, to be published;
 - (7) *Multi-occupancy building insurance*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1711);
 - (8) *The Edinburgh Reforms*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1079);
 - (9) *The work of HM Revenue & Customs*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 783);
 - (10) *The work of the Financial Ombudsman Service*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1219)
- (Harriett Baldwin).

28 Transport Committee

- (1) *Draft revised National Policy Statement for National Networks*: Ninth Report, to be printed, with Formal Minutes relating to the Report (HC 903);
 - (2) *Strategic road investment: Government response to the Committee's Sixth Report*: Eighth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1921);
 - (3) *Accessible transport: Legal obligations*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 580);
 - (4) *Air traffic control disruption*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1849);
 - (5) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Transport relating to Government plan for drivers*: Written evidence, to be published;
 - (6) *HS2: Progress update*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 641);
 - (7) *Work of the Operator of Last Resort*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1708)
- (Iain Stewart).

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.30 am.

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

1 Water, sanitation, hygiene and sustainable development

Resolved, That this House has considered water, sanitation, hygiene and sustainable development.—(*Dr Matthew Offord*.)

The sitting was suspended between 10.43 am and 11.00 am.

2 Development Consent Order waiver for the Northampton Gateway Rail Freight Interchange

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of the Development Consent Order waiver for the Northampton Gateway Rail Freight Interchange.—(*Andrea Leadsom*.)

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

3 British Sign Language Report 2022 and implementation of the British Sign Language Act 2022

Resolved, That this House has considered the British Sign Language Report 2022 and implementation of the British Sign Language Act 2022.—(*Chloe Smith*.)

4 Safe asylum routes for Afghan refugees

Resolved, That this House has considered safe asylum routes for Afghan refugees.—(*Barry Gardiner*.)

5 HMRC enforcement of plastic packaging tax on imports

The sitting was suspended between 4.38 pm and 8.18 pm for divisions in the House (Standing Order No. 10(3)).

Resolved, That this House has considered HMRC enforcement of plastic packaging tax on imports.—(*Nigel Mills*.)

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

Adjourned at 8.43 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Building and Buildings

Draft Higher-Risk Buildings (Keeping and Provision of Information etc.) (England) Regulations 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Lee Rowley)

2 Professional Qualifications

Draft Recognition of Professional Qualifications and Implementation of International Recognition Agreements (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Kemi Badenoch)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

3 Local Government

Draft Stockton-on-Tees (Electoral Changes) Order 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Speaker)

Other papers

4 Defence

Report and Accounts of AWE for 2022–23 (by Command) (CP 931) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

5 Government Resources and Accounts

Combined Annual Accounts of the UK Atomic Energy Authority Pension Schemes for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1798) (Victoria Atkins)

6 National Security

(1) Explanatory Memorandum to the Draft National Security Act 2023 (Consequential Amendments of Primary Legislation) Regulations 2023 (by Command) (Secretary Suella Braverman)

(2) Explanatory Memorandum to the Draft National Security Act 2023 (Video Recording with Sound of Interviews and Associated Code of Practice) Regulations 2023 (by Command) (Secretary Suella Braverman)

7 Police

Explanatory Memorandum to the Draft Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (Codes of Practice) (Revision of Codes A, B, C, D and H and New Code I) Order 2023 (by Command) (Secretary Suella Braverman)

Withdrawn papers

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SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

VOTING BY PROXY

1 New proxy voting arrangements

(1) The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), that Lucy Allan is eligible to have a proxy vote cast on her behalf, starting from 27 September and finishing on 1 February 2024. The nominated proxy is Mr Marcus Jones.

(2) The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), that Dr Kieran Mullan is eligible to have a proxy vote cast on his behalf, starting from 17 October and finishing on 19 December. The nominated proxy is Mr Marcus Jones.

CORRECTION

Monday 16 October 2023

The following item should have appeared after item 24 (Select Committees: Reports relating to orders for printing made during the adjournment under Standing Order No. 137)

Friday 29 September

(i) Environmental Audit Committee

Mapping the path to net zero: Written evidence, to be published (HC 104) (Clerk of the House).