



# House of Commons

Wednesday 29 November 2023

## Votes and Proceedings

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The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 **Questions to the Secretary of State for Scotland**
- 2 **Speaker's Statement: Member visits to other constituencies (requirement for notice)**
- 3 **Questions to the Prime Minister**
- 4 **Urgent Question: UK Government's commitments in relation to COP28 (Amanda Solloway)**
- 5 **Post Office (Horizon System) Compensation Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 50 and No. 57)**

Secretary Kemi Badenoch, supported by the Prime Minister, Secretary Oliver Dowden, Secretary James Cleverly, Secretary Grant Shapps, Secretary Alex Chalk, Secretary Michelle Donelan, Secretary Michael Gove, Secretary Mel Stride, and Secretary Alister Jack, presented a Bill to provide for the payment out of money provided by Parliament of expenditure incurred by the Secretary of State under, or in connection with, schemes or other arrangements to compensate persons affected by the Horizon system and in respect of other matters identified in legal proceedings relating to the Horizon system.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 16) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 16–EN).

- 6 **Data Protection and Digital Information Bill: Consideration of the Bill**

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Bill be re-committed to a Public Bill Committee.—(*Sir Chris Bryant*.)

Motion opposed (Standing Order No. 74).

Question put.

The House divided.

Division No. 13

Ayes: 209 (Tellers: Gerald Jones, Andrew Western)

Noes: 275 (Tellers: Joy Morrissey, Mark Jenkinson)

Question negatived.

The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Bill.

New Clause NC 6—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

## 7 Deferred Divisions

The Deputy Speaker announced the results of the Division which had been deferred to this day (Standing Order No. 41A).

Trade Unions

That the draft Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: NHS Ambulance Services and the NHS Patient Transport Service) Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 7 November, be approved.

Division No. 12

Ayes: 297

Noes: 166

Question agreed to.

## 8 Data Protection and Digital Information Bill: Consideration of the Bill (resumed debate)

The House resumed the debate.

Question put and agreed to.

New Clause NC 6 accordingly read the second time.

New Clause NC 6 added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 48—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 7—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 8—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 9—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 10—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 11—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 12—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 13—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 14—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 15—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 16—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 17—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 18—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 19—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 20—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 21—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 22—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 23—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 24—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 25—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 26—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 27—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 28—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 29—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 30—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 31—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 32—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 33—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 34—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 35—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 36—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 37—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 38—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 39—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 40—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 41—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

New Clause NC 42—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Amendment 11 proposed.—(*Kate Osborne*.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 14

Ayes: 200 (Tellers: Andrew Western, Gerald Jones)

Noes: 276 (Tellers: Mark Jenkinson, Joy Morrissey)

Question negatived.

Amendment 252 made.

Amendment 17 made.

Amendment 224 proposed.—(*Patrick Grady*.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 15

Ayes: 37 (Tellers: Gavin Newlands, Peter Grant)

Noes: 279 (Tellers: Mark Jenkinson, Joy Morrissey)

Question negatived.

Amendment 5 proposed.—(*Sir Chris Bryant*.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 16

Ayes: 195 (Tellers: Andrew Western, Gerald Jones)

Noes: 273 (Tellers: Mark Jenkinson, Joy Morrissey)

Question negatived.

Amendments 18 to 44 made.

Amendment 1 proposed.—(*Sir Chris Bryant*.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 17

Ayes: 198 (Tellers: Andrew Western, Gerald Jones)

Noes: 275 (Tellers: Mark Jenkinson, Joy Morrissey)

Question negatived.

Amendments 45 to 196 made.

Amendment 218 proposed.—(*Sir Chris Bryant*.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 18

Ayes: 194 (Tellers: Andrew Western, Gerald Jones)

Noes: 275 (Tellers: Robert Largan, Mr Gagan Mohindra)

Question negatived.

Amendments 253 to 265 and 197 to 207 made.

New Schedule NS 1—(*Sir John Whittingdale*)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Question put that New Schedule NS 1 be added to the Bill.

The House divided.

Division No. 19

Ayes: 274 (Tellers: Robert Largan, Mr Gagan Mohindra)

Noes: 52 (Tellers: Gavin Newlands, Peter Grant)

Question agreed to.

As it was less than one hour before the moment of interruption, the Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary to bring proceedings on consideration to a conclusion (Programme Order, 17 April, in the last Session of Parliament).

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

(1) That New Schedule NS 2 be added to the Bill (Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown).—(*Sir John Whittingdale*.)

Question agreed to.

(2) That Amendments 266 to 277 and 208 to 216 be made to the Bill (Question on any Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*Sir John Whittingdale*.)

Question agreed to.

Title accordingly amended, as follows: A Bill to make provision for the regulation of the processing of information relating to identified or identifiable living individuals; to make provision about services consisting of the use of information to ascertain and verify facts about individuals; to make provision about access to customer data and business data; to make provision about privacy and electronic communications; to make provision about services for the provision of electronic signatures, electronic seals and other trust services; to make provision about the disclosure of information to improve public service delivery; to make provision for the implementation of agreements on sharing information for law enforcement purposes; to make provision for a power to obtain information for social security purposes; to make provision about the retention of information by providers of internet services in connection with investigations into child deaths; to make provision about the keeping and maintenance of registers of births and deaths; to make provision about the recording and sharing, and keeping of a register, of information relating to apparatus in streets; to make provision about information standards for health and social care; to establish the Information Commission; to make provision about retention and oversight of biometric data; and for connected purposes.

Consideration completed.

## 9 Data Protection and Digital Information Bill: Third Reading

Motion made and Question put, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The House divided.

Division No. 20

Ayes: 269 (Tellers: Robert Largan, Mr Gagan Mohindra)

Noes: 31 (Tellers: Hannah Bardell, Gavin Newlands)

Question agreed to and Bill passed.

#### 10 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023 which were laid before this House on 19 October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 (Resolution of Central Counterparties: Partial Property Transfers and Safeguarding of Protected Arrangements) Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 16 October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Question agreed to.

(3) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Resolution of Central Counterparties (Modified Application of Corporate Law and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 16 October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Question agreed to.

(4) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Payment and Electronic Money Institution Insolvency (Amendment) Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 25 October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Question agreed to.

(5) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Plant Protection Products (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 23 October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Question agreed to.

\* This item has been corrected since publication. See the correction in the Votes and Proceedings relating to Thursday 30 November 2023.

\* (6) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Strikes (Minimum Service Levels: NHS Ambulance Services and the NHS Patient Transport Service) Regulations 2023, which were laid before this House on 7 November, be approved.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Question agreed to.

#### 11 Business of the House (Private Members' Bills)

*Ordered*, That Private Members' Bills shall have precedence over Government business on 19 January, 26 January, 2 February, 23 February, 1 March, 15 March, 22 March, 19 April, 26 April, 17 May, 7 June, 14 June and 21 June 2024.—(*Penny Mordaunt.*)

#### 12 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to a ceasefire in Palestine was presented and read by Anne McLaughlin.

**13 Adjournment**

Subject: Refugee family reunion routes from Sudan (Stuart C McDonald)

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

Adjourned at 6.57 pm until tomorrow.

## Other Proceedings

### *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).*

**14 Media Bill Committee**

Members: Simon Baynes, Kirsty Blackman, Mr Ben Bradshaw, Rob Butler, Andy Carter, Damian Collins, Clive Efford, Kevin Foster, Chris Green, Tom Hunt, Sarah Owen, Stephanie Peacock, Steve Tuckwell, Andrew Western, Sir John Whittingdale, Hywel Williams and Mike Wood

**15 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Wine (Revocation and Consequential Provision) Regulations 2023)**

Members: Caroline Ansell, Paula Barker, Sir Geoffrey Cox, Mrs Flick Drummond, Rosie Duffield, Ruth Edwards, Colleen Fletcher, Antony Higginbotham, Dr Neil Hudson, Sir Bernard Jenkin, Andrew Jones, Clive Lewis, Chris Loder, Grahame Morris, Kate Osborne, Mark Spencer and Daniel Zeichner

**16 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Data Protection (Fundamental Rights and Freedoms) (Amendment) Regulations 2023)**

Members: Mr Ben Bradshaw, Sir Chris Bryant, Neil Coyle, Kevin Foster, Mr Louie French, Mary Glendon, Sally-Ann Hart, Mr Philip Hollobone, Paul Holmes, Dame Diana Johnson, Mr Jonathan Lord, Carol Monaghan, Sir Mike Penning, Sir Stephen Timms, Suzanne Webb, Craig Whittaker and Sir John Whittingdale

**17 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Plant Health etc. (Miscellaneous Fees) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2023)**

Members: Tahir Ali, Dawn Butler, Mr Jonathan Djanogly, David Duguid, Ruth Edwards, Colleen Fletcher, Richard Graham, Jonathan Gullis, Sir John Hayes, Dr Caroline Johnson, Chris Loder, Ian Mearns, Sir Robert Neill, Mr Toby Perkins, Yasmin Qureshi, Mark Spencer and Jon Trickett

**18 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Employment Rights (Amendment, Revocation and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2023)**

Members: Brendan Clarke-Smith, Samantha Dixon, Sarah Edwards, Anna Firth, Richard Fuller, Mark Garnier, James Grundy, Darren Henry, Kevin Hollinrake, Justin Madders, Jess Phillips, Selaine Saxby, John Spellar, Alexander Stafford, Chris Stephens, Sam Tarry and Mike Wood



**19 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2023, draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 (Benchmarks and Capital Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 and draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2023)**

Members: Bim Afolami, Paul Blomfield, Fiona Bruce, Sarah Champion, Theo Clarke, Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown, Elliot Colburn, Alberto Costa, Marsha De Cordova, Mrs Natalie Elphicke, Sir Robert Goodwill, Gerald Jones, Robert Langan, John McDonnell, Tulip Siddiq, Edward Timpson and Mick Whitley

**20 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Equality Act 2010 (Amendment) Regulations 2023)**

Members: Stuart Andrew, Alun Cairns, Miriam Cates, Robert Courts, Samantha Dixon, Damian Green, Stuart C. McDonald, Justin Madders, Julie Marson, Robin Millar, Sarah Owen, Ms Marie Rimmer, Michael Shanks, Alexander Stafford, Alistair Strathern, Mrs Heather Wheeler and Mike Wood

**21 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Agriculture (Delinked Payments and Consequential Provisions) (England) Regulations 2023)**

Members: Lee Anderson, Tonia Antoniazzi, Sir Robert Buckland, Sir Simon Clarke, Ruth Edwards, Michael Fabricant, Mary Kelly Foy, Imran Hussain, Afzal Khan, Chris Loder, Tim Loughton, Stephen Metcalfe, Nigel Mills, Bell Ribeiro-Addy, Mark Spencer, Zarah Sultana and Daniel Zeichner

**22 Eighth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Representation of the People (Overseas Electors etc.) (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023 and draft Representation of the People (Overseas Electors etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2023)**

Members: Bob Blackman, Sara Britcliffe, Ian Byrne, Martyn Day, Florence Eshalomi, Mary Glindon, Simon Hoare, Rebecca Long Bailey, Mr Khalid Mahmood, Alan Mak, Mr Gagan Mohindra, David Mundell, Jess Phillips, Nicola Richards, David Simmonds, Craig Tracey and Mr Robin Walker

**23 Eleventh Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (Consequential Amendment) Regulations 2023)**

Chair: Valerie Vaz in place of Mr Virendra Sharma.

*General Committees: Reports*

**24 Ninth Delegated Legislation Committee**

Mrs Sheryll Murray (Chair) reported the draft Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes Order 2023.

**25 Tenth Delegated Legislation Committee**

Derek Twigg (Chair) reported the draft Counter-Terrorism and Border Security Act 2019 (Port Examination Code of Practice) Regulations 2023, draft National Security Act 2023 (Video Recording With Sound of Interviews and Associated Code of Practice) Regulations 2023 and draft National Security Act 2023 (Consequential Amendments of Primary Legislation) Regulations 2023.



**26 Eleventh Delegated Legislation Committee**

Valerie Vaz (Chair) reported the draft Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (Consequential Amendment) Regulations 2023.

*Select Committees: Reports***27 Energy Security and Net Zero Committee**

(1) *A flexible Grid for the future*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 113);

(2) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State*: Written evidence, to be published (Angus Brendan MacNeil).

**28 Environmental Audit Committee**

(1) *Environmental change and food security*: Second Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 312);

(2) *Correspondence with the Minister for Enterprise, Markets and Small Business relating to Smarter Regulation: Fire safety of domestic upholstered furniture*: Written evidence, to be published (Philip Dunne).

**29 European Scrutiny Committee**

(1) Second Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 166-ii);

(2) *EU Entry/Exit and the UK border*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 169);

(3) *Correspondence with the Foreign Secretary relating to scrutiny of EU documents*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Ministerial correspondence*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 166) (Sir William Cash).

**30 Home Affairs Committee**

*Work of the Home Office*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 356) (Dame Diana Johnson).

**31 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee**

*The effectiveness of the institutions of the Belfast/Good Friday Agreement*: First Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 45) (Sir Robert Buckland).

**32 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee**

(1) *Appointment of Douglas Chalmers as Chair of the Committee on Standards in Public Life*:

(i) First Report, with appendices, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 243);

(ii) Oral evidence, to be published (HC 243);

(2) *The Status of the UK's Overseas Territories in the 21st Century*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 202)

(Mr William Wragg).

**33 Science, Innovation and Technology Committee**

- (1) *Insect decline and UK food security*: Oral evidence, to be printed (HC 326);
- (2) *Correspondence from the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC) relating to the appointment of the EPSRC Executive Chair*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to the research, development and innovation (RDI) organisational landscape*: Written evidence, to be published (Stephen Metcalfe).

**34 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)**

Fourth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 36-iv) (Jessica Morden).

**35 Statutory Instruments (Select Committee on)**

Second Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 35-ii) (Jessica Morden).

**36 Transport Committee**

*Strategic transport objectives*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 84) (Iain Stewart).

**37 Treasury Committee**

*Autumn Statement 2023*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 286) (Harriett Baldwin).

**38 Welsh Affairs Committee**

*Defence industry in Wales*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 102) (Stephen Crabb).

**39 Women and Equalities Committee**

- (1) *Women's reproductive health*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 133);
- (2) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care relating to the draft Mental Health Bill*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Gender Sensitive Parliament*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 351);
- (4) *Sexism and inequalities in sport*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 130);
- (5) *The rights of older people*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 132) (Caroline Nokes).

**40 Work and Pensions Committee**

- (1) *Defined benefit pension schemes*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 144);
- (2) *Benefit levels in the UK*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 142);
- (3) *Correspondence from the Secretaries of State for DWP and Health and Social Care relating to the Public Consultation on Occupational Health*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to fighting fraud in the welfare system*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to Work Capability Assessment Consultation Response*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Safeguarding vulnerable claimants*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 146)

(Sir Stephen Timms).

## Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.30 am

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

### 1 Funding of rural councils

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered funding of rural councils.—(*Chris Loder.*)

The Chair announced a time limit on backbench speeches (under the authority of the Chairman of Ways and Means and Standing Order No. 47(1)).

At 11 am, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

### 2 Prisons in Wales

*Resolved*, That this House has considered prisons in Wales.—(*Liz Saville Roberts.*)

*The sitting was suspended between 11.29 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).*

*The sitting was suspended between 2.30 pm and 2.44 pm.*

### 3 20th anniversary of the repeal of section 28 of the Local Government Act 1988

*Resolved*, That this House has considered the 20th anniversary of the repeal of section 28 of the Local Government Act 1988.—(*Mr Ben Bradshaw.*)

### 4 Support for hospice services in south Devon

*Resolved*, That this House has considered the matter of support for hospice services in south Devon.—(*Kevin Foster.*)

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

Adjourned at 4.30 pm until tomorrow.

*Eleanor Laing*

Chairman of Ways and Means

## Papers Laid

### Other papers

#### 1 Companies

(1) Report by the Financial Reporting Council on its oversight of the professional bodies during 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Kemi Badenoch)

(2) Report of the Independent Supervisor on Auditors General under Section 1229 of the Companies Act 2006 (by Act), to be printed (HC 352) (Secretary Kemi Badenoch)

(3) Report of the Independent Supervisor on Auditors General under Section 1231 of the Companies Act 2006 (by Act), to be printed (HC 353) (Secretary Kemi Badenoch)

#### 2 Environment

(1) Report and Financial Statements of the Environment Agency Active Pension Fund for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 15) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

(2) Report and Financial Statements of the Environment Agency Closed Pension Fund for 2022–23, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 14) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

#### 3 Levelling Up Housing and Communities

Government Response to the Reforms to the National Planning Policy Report (by Command) (CP 989) (Secretary Michael Gove)

#### 4 Town and Country Planning

Statutory biodiversity metric (including small sites) (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

## SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

### VOTING BY PROXY (Standing Order No. 39A)

(Variations to existing proxy voting arrangements appear in **bold**)

Member	From	To	Proxy
Helen Grant	4 September	5 February 2024	<b>Marcus Jones</b>
Lucy Allan	27 September	1 February 2024	<b>Marcus Jones</b>
Dr Kieran Mullan	17 October	19 December	<b>Marcus Jones</b>
Sir David Evennett	8 November	1 January 2024	<b>Marcus Jones</b>
Ben Everitt	22 November	25 December	<b>Marcus Jones</b>

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## CORRECTION

27 November 2023

The following item should have appeared before item 23 (Select Committees: Reports):

**Administration Committee**

Record of the Committee's discussions at its meeting on 27 November, to be published (Sir Charles Walker).