



House of Commons

Monday 22 July 2024

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 2.30 pm.

Prayers

1 Contingencies Fund Account 2023–24

Ordered, That there be laid before this House an Account of the Contingencies Fund 2023–24, showing:

1. A Statement of Financial Position
2. A Statement of Cash Flows and
3. Notes to the Accounts; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.—(*Taiwo Owatemi*.)

2 Statements: (1) NATO and European Political Community meetings (the Prime Minister)

(2) Border security and asylum (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

(3) Crowdstrike: IT outage (Ellie Reeves)

3 King's Speech (Motion for an Address) (fourth day)

Debate resumed (Order, 19 July).

Question again proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His 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 Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

Subject for debate: Economy, welfare and public services

Amendment proposed, at the end of the Question, to add 'but humbly regret that there is no mention in the Gracious Speech of the improved economic conditions the Government is inheriting, with the fastest recorded growth in the G7, inflation at the Bank of England's target for the second month in a row, and unemployment at half the rate that it was in 2010; further regret that there is no mention of how to make necessary savings on welfare; urge the Government to meet the commitment set out in the Labour Party's manifesto not to raise taxes on working people; regret that the Gracious Speech fails to make a commitment not to use changes to reliefs to raise taxes; and call on the Government to increase income tax thresholds to prevent income tax from being charged on the State Pension.'.—(*Jeremy Hunt*.)

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

Question put.

The House divided.

Division No. 1

Ayes: 111 (Tellers: Joy Morrissey, Mike Wood)

Noes: 390 (Tellers: Vicky Foxcroft, Anna Turley)

Question negatived.

Since it was after 10 pm, the debate stood adjourned (Standing Order No. 9(3)).

Debate to be resumed tomorrow.

4 Adjournment (Summer and Conference Recesses)

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 25), That this House, at its rising on Tuesday 30 July 2024, do adjourn until Monday 2 September 2024; and at its rising on Thursday 12 September 2024, do adjourn until Monday 7 October 2024.—(*Lucy Powell.*)

Question agreed to.

5 Private Members' Bills

Ordered, That,

(1) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14(10)—

(a) the ballot for private Members' bills shall be held on Thursday 5 September,

(b) ballot bills shall be presented on Wednesday 16 October; and

(2) the provisions of Standing Order No. 14(11) shall apply as if the words "Thursday 17 October" were substituted for the words "after the fifth Wednesday on which the House shall sit during the session".—(*Lucy Powell.*)

6 Public Petitions

A public petition from residents of the constituency of Lancaster and Wyre relating to water bills in Lancaster and Wyre was presented and read by Cat Smith.

7 Adjournment

Subject: Government support for the aerospace industry in Northern Ireland (Jim Shannon)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Anna McMorris.*)

Adjourned at 10.50 pm until tomorrow.

Sir Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Papers Laid

Other papers

1 Contingencies Fund

Accounts of the Contingencies Fund for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (pursuant to Order today), to be printed (HC 145) (James Murray)

2 Energy

Capacity Market (Amendment) Rules 2024 (by Act) (Secretary Ed Miliband)

3 Government Resources and Accounts

(1) Report and Accounts of Insolvency Service for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 91) (Secretary Jonathan Reynolds)

(2) Report and Accounts of the Crown Prosecution Service for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 58) (James Murray)

(3) Report and Accounts of the Department for Work and Pensions for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 62) (James Murray)

4 Health and Care

Report and Accounts of the Health Services Safety Investigations Body for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 138) (Andrew Gwynne)

5 National Audit

(1) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Crown Commercial Service: Efficiency in Government Procurement of Common Goods and Services (by Act), to be printed (HC 116) (Clerk of the House)

(2) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department for Education: Improving educational outcomes for disadvantaged children (by Act), to be printed (HC 125) (Clerk of the House)

(3) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department for Science, Innovation and Technology: The National Space Strategy and the role of the UK Space Agency (by Act), to be printed (HC 118) (Clerk of the House)

(4) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department for Transport: HS2: update following cancellation of Phase 2 (by Act), to be printed (HC 128) (Clerk of the House)

(5) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department for Transport: The condition and maintenance of local roads in England (by Act), to be printed (HC 117) (Clerk of the House)

(6) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department for Work & Pensions: Report on Accounts (by Act), to be printed (HC 129) (Clerk of the House)

(7) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on The Royal Household: Progress on the Buckingham Palace Reservicing Programme (by Act), to be printed (HC 122) (Clerk of the House)

(8) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department for Energy Security and Net Zero: Carbon Capture, Usage and Storage Programme (by Act), to be printed (HC 120) (Clerk of the House)

6 National Health Service

(1) Report and Accounts of Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust for 2023–24 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

(2) Report and Accounts of Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust for 2023–24 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

7 Parliamentary Buildings (Restoration and Renewal)

Report and Accounts of Restoration and Renewal Delivery Authority Limited for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 24) (Clerk of the House)