



House of Commons

Wednesday 11 September 2024

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

1 Independent Review of Forensic Pathology

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, That he will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the Report, entitled The Patronising Disposition of Unaccountable Power: Independent Review of Forensic Pathology, dated 11 September 2024.—(*Gen Kitchen.*)

2 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Wales

(2) the Prime Minister

3 Statements: (1) Port Talbot transition project (Secretary Jonathan Reynolds)

(2) Public inquiry into the murder of Patrick Finucane (Secretary Hilary Benn)

4 Renters' Rights Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Secretary Angela Rayner, supported by the Prime Minister, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Secretary Shabana Mahmood, Secretary Bridget Phillipson, Secretary Liz Kendall, Secretary Jonathan Reynolds, Secretary Ian Murray and Secretary Jo Stevens, presented a Bill to make provision changing the law about rented homes, including provision abolishing fixed term assured tenancies and assured shorthold tenancies; imposing obligations on landlords and others in relation to rented homes and temporary and supported accommodation; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 8) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 8–EN).

5 Building safety and resilience

Resolved, That this House has considered building safety and resilience.—(*Rushanara Ali.*)

6 Speaker's Statement: Election of Chairs of Select Committees

The Speaker announced that the following Members had been elected to be Chairs of Select Committees (Standing Order No. 122B):

Committee:

Business and Trade

Defence

Member elected:

Liam Byrne

Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi

Education	Helen Hayes
Energy Security and Net Zero	Bill Esterson
Environmental Audit	Mr Toby Perkins
Foreign Affairs	Emily Thornberry
Home Affairs	Dame Karen Bradley
Housing, Communities and Local Government	Florence Eshalomi
International Development	Sarah Champion
Justice	Andy Slaughter
Procedure	Cat Smith
Public Accounts	Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown
Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs	Simon Hoare
Science, Innovation and Technology	Chi Onwurah
Standards	Alberto Costa
Transport	Ruth Cadbury
Women and Equalities	Sarah Owen
Work and Pensions	Debbie Abrahams

7 Adjournment

Subject: Support for democracy in Bangladesh (Dr Rupa Huq)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Gen Kitchen.*)

Adjourned at 7.28 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Lords Messages

8 Private Bills: Royal Albert Hall Bill [Lords]

The Lords communicate that they have come to the following resolution in respect of the Royal Albert Hall Bill [Lords] to which they desire the agreement of the Commons—

That the promoters of the Royal Albert Hall Bill [Lords], which was originally introduced in this House in Session 2022–23 on 23 January 2023, should have leave to proceed with the Bill in the current Session in accordance with the provisions of Private Business Standing Order 150B (Revival of Bills).

*Public petitions***9 Petitions presented informally**

A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to the Portishead railway branch line was presented by Sadik Al-Hassan.

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).

10 Great British Energy Bill Committee

Members: Ms Polly Billington, Olivia Blake, Andrew Bowie, Torcuil Crichton, Harriet Cross, Stephen Flynn, Catherine Fookes, Pippa Heylings, Wera Hobhouse, Uma Kumaran, Josh MacAlister, Chris McDonald, Perran Moon, Joy Morrissey, Andrew Pakes, Michael Shanks and Anna Turley

11 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Government of Wales Act 2006 (Devolved Welsh Authorities) (Amendment) Order 2024)

Members: Jack Abbott, David Chadwick, Patricia Ferguson, Sir Ashley Fox, Becky Gittins, Sarah Green, Dame Nia Griffith, Paul Holmes, John Lamont, Lola McEvoy, Anna McMorris, Alex Mayer, Melanie Onn, Jack Rankin, Mr Mark Sowards, Dr Marie Tidball and Chris Vince

12 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 (Juxtaposed Controls) (Amendment) Order 2024)

Members: Stuart Anderson, Sarah Edwards, Gill Furniss, Lloyd Hatton, Tom Hayes, Louise Jones, Jayne Kirkham, Ben Maguire, Seema Malhotra, Joe Morris, James Naish, Charlotte Nichols, Priti Patel, Lisa Smart, Jeff Smith, Nick Timothy and Matt Vickers

13 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (Disability Assistance) (Consequential Modifications) Order 2024)

Members: Julia Buckley, Irene Campbell, Pam Cox, Harriet Cross, Jim Dickson, Anna Dixon, Josh Fenton-Glynn, Paul Holmes, Claire Hughes, Christine Jardine, John Lamont, Martin McCluskey, David Mundell, Ian Murray, Susan Murray, Dan Norris and Melanie Ward

14 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Carbon Dioxide Transport and Storage (Determination of Turnover for Penalties) Regulations 2024)

Members: Jess Asato, Mark Garnier, Pippa Heylings, Wera Hobhouse, Natasha Irons, Terry Jermy, Sarah Jones, Chris McDonald, Joy Morrissey, Josh Newbury, Jon Pearce, Jo Platt, Lucy Rigby, Greg Stafford, Blake Stephenson, Mike Tapp and Anna Turley

*Select Committees: Reports***15 House of Commons Members Estimate Committee**

Consolidated list of provisions of the Resolutions of the House relating to expenditure charged to the Estimate for House of Commons: Members as at 10 September 2024: First Report, to be printed with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 244) (The Speaker).

16 Modernisation Committee

Memorandum from the Leader of the House to the Modernisation Committee: Written evidence, to be published (Lucy Powell).

17 Selection (Committee of)

Jessica Morden reported:

(1) That she had been chosen as Chair of the Committee; and

(2) the following Resolutions:

(i) That, after a Bill has been under consideration in a Public Bill Committee, no application for changes in the composition of that Committee in respect of that Bill will be entertained by this Committee except where a Member is incapacitated from attendance by illness, or where he or she has been appointed or ceased to be a Member of the Government, or has changed his or her office for another, or has acquired other duties, or ceased to hold or changed such duties.

(ii) That Motions to alter the membership of select committees may be tabled on behalf of the Committee of Selection only if previously approved at a meeting of the Committee of Selection.

(iii) That if no replacement is identified for a Member wishing to resign from a select committee within six weeks of the receipt by the Chair of the Committee of Selection a letter from the Member giving such notice, the Committee shall table a motion to discharge the resigning Member, and shall table a motion to appoint a replacement once he or she has been elected by the political party concerned.

Sir 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 Adequacy of planning policy for Traveller sites

Resolved, That this House has considered the adequacy of planning policy for Traveller sites.—(Kevin Hollinrake.)

The sitting was suspended between 10.47 am and 11 am.

2 Bus services in rural areas

Resolved, That this House has considered bus services in rural areas.—(Sarah Dyke.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.30 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Depopulation in rural areas

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of depopulation in rural areas.—(Torcuil Crichton.)

4 Oswestry to Gobowen railway line

Resolved, That this House has considered the Oswestry to Gobowen railway line.—(Helen Morgan.)

The sitting was suspended between 4.23 pm and 4.30 pm.

5 Impact of financial fraud and economic crime

Resolved, That this House has considered the impact of financial fraud and economic crime.—(*Mr Luke Charters.*)

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

Adjourned at 5.28 pm until tomorrow.

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Corporation Tax

Research and Development Relief (Information Requirements etc.) Regulations 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 950), dated 11 September 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (James Murray)

2 Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction

(1) Draft Essex (Electoral Changes) Order 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Speaker)

(2) Draft Worcestershire (Electoral Changes) Order 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Speaker)

3 Supreme Court

Supreme Court Rules 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 949), dated 9 September 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Shabana Mahmood)

Other papers

4 Animals (Scientific Procedures)

Statistics of Scientific Procedures on Living Animals in Great Britain for 2023 (by Act), to be printed (HC 222) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

5 Constitutional Reform

Report of the Judicial Appointments and Conduct Ombudsman 2023–24 (by Act) (Secretary Shabana Mahmood)

6 Covent Garden Market

Report and Accounts of Covent Garden Market Authority 2022–23 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Reed)

7 Crime and Disorder

Report and Accounts of the Youth Justice Board for England and Wales for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 220) (Secretary Shabana Mahmood)

8 Environment

Government Response to the Report by the Office for Environmental Protection on a review of the implementation of the Water Framework Directive Regulations and River Basin Management Planning (by Act) (Secretary Steve Reed)

9 Equality

Report and Accounts of the Equality and Human Rights Commission for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 241) (Anneliese Dodds)

10 Gambling

Report and Accounts of the Gambling Commission for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 205) (Stephanie Peacock)

11 Government Resources and Accounts

Report and Accounts for the Department for Science, Innovation & Technology for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 216) (James Murray)

12 Home Office

Return to an Address to His Majesty for a Return of the Report, dated 11 September 2024, of The Patronising Disposition of Unaccountable Power: Independent Review of Forensic Pathology (pursuant to Resolution today), to be printed (HC 221) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

13 Life Chances

Report of the Social Mobility Commission: State of the Nation 2024: Local to National, Mapping Opportunities for All (by Act) (Anneliese Dodds)

14 National Health Service

(1) Report and Accounts of Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for 2023–24 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

(2) Report and Accounts of University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust for 2023–24 (by Act) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

15 Public Libraries and Museums

Report under the Public Libraries and Museums Act 1964 for 2023–24 (by Act) (Sir Chris Bryant)

16 Reserve Forces

Report under section 56(7) of the Reserve Forces Act 1996 on the renewal of call-out orders for operations with the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) and operations in relation to NATO's Assurance and Adaptation Measures (by Act) (Luke Pollard)

17 Sanctions

Explanatory Memorandum to the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 900) (by Command) (Anneliese Dodds)

18 Treaty Series No. 63 (2024)

Agreement, done at Managua on 18 July 2019, establishing an Association between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Central America (by Command) (CP 1153) (Secretary David Lammy)

19 Treaty Series No. 64 (2024)

Agreement, done at London on 4 October 2019, establishing an Association between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Tunisia (by Command) (CP 1154) (Secretary David Lammy)

20 Treaty Series No. 65 (2024)

Agreement, done at London on 3 September 2019, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Montenegro on International Road Transport (by Command) (CP 1155) (Secretary David Lammy)

21 Treaty Series No. 66 (2024)

Agreement, done at Washington on 18 December 2018, between the United Kingdom and the United States of America on Prudential Measures regarding Insurance and Reinsurance (by Command) (CP 1156) (Secretary David Lammy)

22 Video Recordings

Report and Accounts of the Games Rating Authority for 2023 (by Act) (Sir Chris Bryant)

Withdrawn papers**23 Sanctions**

Explanatory Memorandum to the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 900) (laid 5 September)

CORRECTION

Tuesday 30 July 2024

The following item should have appeared before the heading *Papers Laid*:

Other proceedings

Public petitions

Petitions presented informally

() A public petition from businesses of Hastings and the wider area of East Sussex south of Robertsbridge relating to proposals for the A21 level crossing at Robertsbridge was presented by Helena Dollimore.