



# House of Commons

Tuesday 26 November 2024

## Votes and Proceedings

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The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

**1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs**

**2 Statements: (1) COP29 (Secretary Ed Miliband)**

**(2) Get Britain Working White Paper (Secretary Liz Kendall)**

**3 Treatment of terminal illness: Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)**

*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision about the liability of practitioners, and of the organisation which employs the practitioner, where a practitioner prescribes an unlicensed medicine to or carries out a non-standard treatment on a person who is terminally ill; to make provision about the import, storage and use of equipment and unlicensed medicines for the purpose of such prescriptions or such treatment; and for connected purposes;

That Dame Siobhain McDonagh, Jim Shannon, Uma Kumaran, Peter Lamb, Luke Murphy, Rachael Maskell, Tonia Antoniazzi, Valerie Vaz, Mary Glendon, Sorcha Eastwood, Helena Dollimore and Natasha Irons present the Bill.

Dame Siobhain McDonagh accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 17 January 2025, and to be printed (Bill 139).

**4 Tobacco and Vapes Bill: Second Reading**

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

Question put.

The House divided.

Division No. 48

Ayes: 415 (Tellers: Christian Wakeford, Kate Dearden)

Noes: 47 (Tellers: Sir Edward Leigh, Sir Christopher Chope)

Question agreed to and Bill read a second time.

**5 Tobacco and Vapes Bill: Programme**

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the Tobacco and Vapes 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 30 January 2025.

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

*Consideration and 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 those proceedings 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.—(*Chris Elmore.*)

Question agreed to.

**6 Tobacco and Vapes Bill: Money**

King's Recommendation signified.

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 52(1)(a)), That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Tobacco and Vapes Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of:

(1) any expenditure incurred under or by virtue of the Act by the Secretary of State, and

(2) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable under or by virtue of any other Act out of money so provided.—(*Chris Elmore.*)

Question agreed to.

**7 Tobacco and Vapes Bill: Ways and Means**

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 52(1)(a)), That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Tobacco and Vapes Bill, it is expedient to authorise:

(1) the charging of fees under or by virtue of the Act, and

(2) the payment of sums into the Consolidated Fund.—(*Chris Elmore.*)

Question agreed to.

## 8 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Ombudsman Scheme) (Fees) Regulations 2024, which were laid before this House on 20 May 2024, in the last Parliament, be approved.—*(Taiwo Owatemi.)*

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024, which was laid before this House on 21 October, be approved.—*(Taiwo Owatemi.)*

Question agreed to.

## 9 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of the constituency of Gower relating to pimping websites and paying for sex was presented and read by Tonia Antoniazzi.

## 10 Adjournment

Subject: Government funding for improvements to coastal infrastructure in Scotland (Graeme Downie)

*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—*(Taiwo Owatemi.)*

Adjourned at 7.23 pm until tomorrow.

## Other Proceedings

### *Changes to Notices Given*

## 11 Animals in Medical Research (Prohibition) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 29 November, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 17 January 2025.

### *General Committees: Reports*

## 12 Employment Rights Bill Committee

Valerie Vaz (Chair) reported:

(1) That the Committee had come to the following Resolution, That, subject to the discretion of the Chair, any written evidence received by the Committee shall be reported to the House for publication; and

(2) written evidence.

Written evidence to be published.

## 13 Third Delegated Legislation Committee

Clive Efford (Chair) reported the draft Medical Devices (Post-Market Surveillance Requirements) (Amendment) (Great Britain) Regulations 2024.

**14 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee**

Sir Roger Gale (Chair) reported the draft Persistent Organic Pollutants (Amendment) Regulations 2024.

**15 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee**

Martin Vickers (Chair) reported the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2025.

**16 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee**

Dr Rupa Huq (Chair) reported the draft Aviation Safety (Amendment) Regulations 2024.

*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).*

**17 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2025)**

Members: Wendy Chamberlain discharged and Jamie Stone nominated in substitution.

*Select Committees: Reports***18 Administration Committee**

Nick Smith reported:

- (1) That he had been chosen as Chair of the Committee; and
- (2) Record of the Committee's discussions at its meeting on 26 November, to be published.

**19 Backbench Business Committee**

Transcript of representations made on Tuesday 26 November, to be published (Bob Blackman).

**20 Business and Trade Committee**

*The work of the Department for Business and Trade: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 450) (Liam Byrne).*

**21 Defence Committee**

*Correspondence from the Chair of the Ombudsman Association relating to the Armed Forces Commissioner Bill: Written evidence, to be published (Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi).*

**22 Education Committee**

(1) *Correspondence from the Minister of State for Local Government and English Devolution, the Exchequer Secretary to the Treasury and the Minister for Early Education relating to the Non-Domestic Rating (Multipliers and Private Schools) Bill: Written evidence, to be published;*

(2) *Correspondence with the Minister for Skills relating to the Departmental Minute on establishing a Local Government Pension Scheme guarantee for further education bodies in the statutory sector*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport relating to the National Youth Strategy*: Written evidence, to be published

(Helen Hayes).

### 23 Energy and Net Zero Committee

*Correspondence with the Secretary of State*: Written evidence, to be published (Bill Esterson).

### 24 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

(1) *Work of the Department and its arm's-length bodies*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 415);

(2) *Correspondence from Rebecca Long-Bailey MP relating to the Bakers, Food and Allied Workers Union*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Competition and Markets Authority relating to groceries, infant formula and veterinary services*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Northern Ireland Assembly's Committee for Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs relating to inter-legislature engagement*: Written evidence, to be published

(Mr Alistair Carmichael).

### 25 Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee

(1) *The finances and sustainability of the social housing sector: Regulator of Social Housing response*: First Special Report, to be printed (HC 457);

(2) *Response from the Minister of State for Housing and Planning relating to leasehold and commonhold reform*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister of State for Local Government and English Devolution relating to interventions in Slough and Woking*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to consultation on reforms to Right to Buy*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence with the Minister of State for Housing and Planning*: Written evidence, to be published

(Florence Eshalomi).

### 26 International Development Committee

(1) *The situation in Sudan*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 438);

(2) *Correspondence with the Foreign Secretary*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with the Minister of State for Development relating to the Government's priorities for the humanitarian situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territories*: Written evidence, to be published

(Sarah Champion).

**27 Justice Committee**

- (1) *Work of the Lady Chief Justice*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 421);
- (2) *Correspondence from the Minister for Courts and Legal services relating to the Whiplash Injury Regulations 2021*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Correspondence from the Minister for Prisons, Probation and Reducing Reoffending relating to the home detention curfew*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to HMP Winchester*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) *Correspondence with the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State*: Written evidence, to be published
- (Andy Slaughter).

**28 Petitions Committee**

Record of the Committee's decisions relating to e-petitions, to be published (Jamie Stone).

**29 Public Accounts (Committee of)**

*Correspondence from the Director General of Public Spending at HM Treasury relating to correcting their oral evidence statement given on 20 March 2024*: Written evidence, to be published (Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown).

**30 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee**

*Correspondence with the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for Intergovernmental Relations relating to the Draft Cabinet Manual*: Written evidence, to be published (Simon Hoare).

**31 Treasury Committee**

*Work of the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 418) (Dame Meg Hillier).

*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 Delivery of electricity grid upgrades**

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the delivery of electricity grid upgrades.—(*Sir Bernard Jenkin*.)

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

**2 Government support for local councils to tackle fly-tipping**

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered Government support for local councils to tackle fly-tipping.—(*Tristan Osborne.*)

At 11.30 am, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6).

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

**3 Online safety for children and young people**

*Resolved*, That this House has considered online safety for children and young people.—(*Lola McEvoy.*)

**4 Suicide and mental health of young people in Tatton constituency**

*Resolved*, That this House has considered the matter of suicide and mental health of young people in Tatton constituency.—(*Esther McVey.*)

*The sitting was suspended between 4.25 pm and 4.35 pm.*

**5 Rollout of Project Gigabit in rural areas**

*Resolved*, That this House has considered the rollout of Project Gigabit in rural areas.—(*Gregory Stafford.*)

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

Adjourned at 5.29 pm until tomorrow.

*Ms Nusrat Ghani*

Chairman of Ways and Means

## Papers Laid

### Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

**1 Local Government**

(1) Draft Devon and Torbay Combined County Authority Regulations 2024, and accompanying Report under section 20 of the Levelling-Up and Regeneration Act 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Jim McMahon)

(2) Draft Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority Regulations 2025, and accompanying Report under section 20 of the Levelling-Up and Regeneration Act 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Jim McMahon)

(3) Draft Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority Order 2024, and accompanying Report under section 20 of the Levelling-Up and Regeneration Act 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Jim McMahon)

(4) Draft Lancashire Combined County Authority Regulations 2024, and accompanying Report under section 20 of the Levelling-Up and Regeneration Act 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Jim McMahon)

## Papers subject to Negative Resolution

### **2 Immigration**

(1) Immigration (Passenger Transit Visa) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1218), dated 25 November 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

(2) Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules (by Act), to be printed (HC 334), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

### Other papers

### **3 Export Control**

Report on the Export of Objects of Cultural Interest for 2023–24 (by Act) (Sir Chris Bryant)

### **4 Government Resources and Accounts**

Whole of Government Accounts for year ended 31 March 2023, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 289) (Darren Jones)

### **5 National Health Service**

Consolidated NHS provider accounts for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 399) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

### **6 National Lottery etc**

Report and Accounts of the United Kingdom Sports Council Grant-in-Aid and National Lottery Distribution Fund for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 319) (Stephanie Peacock)

### **7 Private Security Industry**

Report and Accounts of the Security Industry Authority for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 464) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

### **8 Work and Pensions**

Get Britain Working White Paper (by Command) (CP 1191) (Secretary Liz Kendall)

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## CORRECTION

(1) Tuesday 19 November 2024

Item 5 (Select Committees: Reports) should have read:

**Justice Committee**

(1) *Work of the Minister for Prisons, Probation and Reducing Reoffending*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 369);

(2) *Correspondence from HM Chief Inspector of Prisons relating to children in custody analysis*: Written evidence, to be published;

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

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

(5) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under-Secretary relating to the Memorandum of Understanding between the UK and Poland*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to an update on the Independent Sentencing Review*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Correspondence with the Minister for Prisons, Probation and Reducing Reoffending relating to the IPP announcement*: Written evidence, to be published

(Andy Slaughter).

(2) Monday 25 November 2024

Item 5 (Papers Laid) should not have appeared.