

Monday 2 December 2024

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 2.30 pm.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government
- 2 Urgent Questions: (1) Chagos Islands: UK-US defence relationship (Luke Pollard)
 - (2) Attacks on the Hindu community in Bangladesh (Catherine West)
- 3 Suspension of sitting

The Speaker suspended the sitting for ten minutes.

- 4 Deputy Speaker's Statement: Notice of text of ministerial statements
- 5 Statements: (1) Net migration and border security (Secretary Yvette Cooper)
 - (2) Developments in north-west Syria (Mr Hamish Falconer)
- 6 Members' interests (Standing Order No. 150(4)) (Sammy Wilson)
- 7 Deputy Speaker's Statement: Waiver of sub judice in relation to motor finances
- 8 Grenfell Tower Inquiry phase 2 report

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the Grenfell Tower Inquiry phase 2 report.—(Secretary Angela Rayner.)

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

Question put and agreed to.

- 9 Changes to membership of select committees
 - (1) Ordered, That Tom Gordon be a member of the Joint Committee on Human Rights.— (Samantha Dixon, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)
 - (2) Ordered, That Liam Byrne, Sarah Champion, Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi, Bill Esterson, Andy Slaughter, Emily Thornberry, Derek Twigg and Matt Western be members of the Joint Committee on the National Security Strategy.—(Samantha Dixon, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

10 Adjournment

Subject: Medical aid during conflict (Dr Zubir Ahmed)

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

Adjourned at 10.21 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Explanatory Notes to Bills

11 European Union (Withdrawal Arrangements) Bill

Explanatory Notes to the Bill to be printed (Bill 18–EN).

Changes to Notices Given

12 Educational Institutions (Mental Health Policy) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 6 December, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 11 July 2025.

General Committees: Reports

13 First Delegated Legislation Committee

Sir Roger Gale (Chair) reported the draft Scottish Rates of Income Tax (Consequential Amendments) Order 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).

14 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Scottish Rates of Income Tax (Consequential Amendments) Order 2024)

- (1) Chair: Sir Roger Gale
- (2) Members: Lewis Atkinson and Elaine Stewart discharged and Alan Gemmell and Oliver Ryan nominated in substitution.
- 15 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Companies and Limited Liability Partnerships (Protection and Disclosure of Information and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2024)
 - (1) Chair: Clive Efford
 - (2) Members: Patrick Spencer discharged and Peter Fortune nominated in substitution.

16 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Contracts for Difference (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024)

Chair: Graham Stringer

- 17 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Movement of Goods (Northern Ireland to Great Britain) (Animals, Feed and Food, Plant Health etc.) (Transitory Provision and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024)
 - (1) Chair: Derek Twigg
 - (2) Members: Daniel Zeichner discharged and Emma Hardy nominated in substitution.
- 18 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Home Detention Curfew and Requisite and Minimum Custodial Periods (Amendment) Order 2024)

Chair: David Mundell

Select Committees: Reports

- 19 Public Accounts (Committee of)
 - (1) Tackling homelessness: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 352);
 - (2) Correspondence relating to the Committee's previous Reports: Written evidence, to be published;
 - (3) Correspondence with the First Permanent Secretary and Chief Executive of HM Revenue and Customs: Written evidence, to be published;
 - (4) Correspondence with the Permanent Secretary of the Department for Work and Pensions relating to the Treasury Minute response to the AEA Technology pension case: Written evidence, to be published

(Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown).

Sir Lindsay Hoyle
Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 4.30 pm.

Debate on e-petitions (Standing Orders No. 10(1)(a) and No. 145A(7))

1 Children and bereavement

Resolved, That this House has considered e-petitions 636718 and 624185 relating to children and bereavement.—(Kevin Bonavia.)

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

Adjourned at 5.48 pm until tomorrow.

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Damages

Damages (Personal Injury) (England and Wales) Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1261), dated 28 November 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Shabana Mahmood)

2 Excise

Excise Duties (Miscellaneous Amendments and Revocations) Regulations 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1262), dated 27 November 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (James Murray)

3 National Security

National Security Act 2023 (Prohibited Place) Regulations 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1257), dated 28 November 2024 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

4 Video Recordings

Proposal by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport for the designation of Tony Lake, Ian Muspratt and Dame Janet Paraskeva jointly as the authority responsible for making arrangements in respect of video games (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Sir Chris Bryant)

Other papers

5 Defence

- (1) Report and Accounts of Sheffield Forgemasters Engineering Limited for 2023–24 (by Command) (CP 1199) (Secretary John Healey)
- (2) Report and Accounts of Sheffield Forgemasters International Limited for 2023–24 (by Command) (CP 1198) (Secretary John Healey)

6 Government Resources and Accounts

- (1) Report and Accounts of the Geffrye Museum Trust for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 322) (Sir Chris Bryant)
- (2) Report and Accounts of UK Sports Institute Limited for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 343) (Stephanie Peacock)

7 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Ministry of Justice: Increasing the capacity of the prison estate to meet demand (by Act), to be printed (HC 376) (Clerk of the House)

8 Protection of Freedoms

Reports of the Commissioner for the Retention and Use of Biometric Material and the Surveillance Camera Commissioner for 2023–24 (by Act) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)