



# House of Commons

Monday 6 January 2025

## Votes and Proceedings

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The House met at 2.30 pm.

Prayers

**1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Defence**

**2 Statements: (1) Health and adult social care reform (Secretary Wes Streeting)**

**(2) Flooding (Emma Hardy)**

**(3) Child sexual exploitation and abuse (Secretary Yvette Cooper)**

**3 Backbench Business**

**(1) Seizing frozen Russian assets to fund Ukraine**

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House recognises the horror of Russia's renewed illegal invasion of Ukraine; further recognises the necessity of a Ukrainian victory over Russia; agrees that the United Kingdom must do all it can to support Ukraine in its fight against Russian aggression; acknowledges that there are approximately \$300 billion of Russian assets frozen in the G7 and EU; and calls on the Government to investigate ways that these frozen assets could be legally seized and used to fund the war effort in Ukraine, and to report back to the House with its findings.—(*Mike Martin.*)

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

Question put and agreed to.

**(2) Backlogs in the NHS**

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered backlogs in the NHS.—(*Helen Morgan.*)

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

Question put and agreed to.

**4 Changes to membership of select committees**

**(1) Ordered,** That Alex Ballinger be discharged from the Joint Committee on Human Rights and Peter Swallow be added.—(*Mark Tami, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

**(2) Ordered,** That Kevin Bonavia be discharged from the Petitions Committee and Paul Davies be added.—(*Mark Tami, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(3) *Ordered*, That John Grady be discharged from the Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee and Sam Carling be added.—(*Mark Tami, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(4) *Ordered*, That Chris Evans be discharged from the Welsh Affairs Committee and Gill German be added.—(*Mark Tami, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

## 5 Adjournment

Subject: Funding for policing in Cambridgeshire (Ben Obese-Jecty)

*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mark Tami.*)

Adjourned at 10.30 pm until tomorrow.

## Other Proceedings

### *Lords Messages*

## 6 Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill [Lords]

The Lords agree without amendment to the Amendment made by the Commons to the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and International Committee of the Red Cross (Status) Bill [Lords].

### *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).*

## 7 Tobacco and Vapes Bill Committee

Members: Phil Brickell and Rosie Wrighting discharged and Sadik Al-Hassan and John Whitby nominated in substitution.

## 8 Tobacco and Vapes Bill (Programming Sub-Committee)

Members: Dr Zubir Ahmed, Sadik Al-Hassan, Mary Kelly Foy, Andrew Gwynne, Liz Jarvis, Taiwo Owatemi and Gregory Stafford

## 9 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 2025)

Members: Alex Norris discharged and Mark Ferguson nominated in substitution.

## 10 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Combined Authorities (Borrowing) and East Midlands Combined County Authority (Borrowing and Functions) (Amendment) Regulations 2025)

Members: Tom Rutland discharged and Steve Race nominated in substitution.

**11 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft National Security Act 2023 (Consequential Amendment of Primary Legislation) Regulations 2025 and draft Police Act 1997 (Authorisations to Interfere with Property: Relevant Offence) Regulations 2025)**

Members: Damian Hinds discharged and Sir John Whittingdale nominated in substitution.

*Select Committees: Reports relating to orders for printing made during the adjournment under Standing Order No. 137*

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**12 Public Accounts (Committee of)**

*HS2: Update following the northern leg cancellation:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 357) (Clerk of the House).

*Sir Lindsay Hoyle*

Speaker

## Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 4.30 pm.

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

**1 General election**

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered e-petition 700143 relating to a general election.—(*Jamie Stone*.)

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)).

*Resolved*, That this House has considered e-petition 700143 relating to a general election.

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

Adjourned at 6.55 pm until tomorrow.

*Ms Nusrat Ghani*

Chairman of Ways and Means

## Papers Laid

Papers presented and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates during the adjournment under Standing Orders No. 158 and No. 159

### Other papers

*Friday 20 December 2024*

**1 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs**

Secretary of State determination of fishing opportunities for British fishing boats (by Command) (CP 1206) (Secretary Steve Reed)

**2 Medicines**

Explanatory Memorandum to the Draft Medicines for Human Use (Clinical Trials) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (by Command) (Andrew Gwynne)

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**3 Justice**

Monitoring places of detention: Fifteenth Annual Report of the United Kingdom's National Preventive Mechanism for 2023–24 (by Command) (CP 1209) (Secretary Shabana Mahmood)

**4 Medicines**

Explanatory Memorandum to the Medicines (Gonadotrophin-Releasing Hormone Analogues) (Restrictions on Private Sales and Supplies) Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1319), dated 11 December 2024 (by Command) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

### Withdrawn papers

*Friday 20 December 2024*

**5 Medicines**

Explanatory Memorandum to the Draft Medicines for Human Use (Clinical Trials) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (laid 12 December 2024)

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**6 Justice**

Monitoring places of detention: Fifteenth Annual Report of the United Kingdom's National Preventive Mechanism for 2023–24 (by Command) (CP 1290) (laid 18 December 2024)

**7 Medicines**

Explanatory Memorandum to the Medicines (Gonadotrophin-Releasing Hormone Analogues) (Restrictions on Private Sales and Supplies) Order 2024 (SI, 2024, No. 1319) (laid 11 December 2024)

Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Monday 6 January

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

**8 National Health Service**

Draft Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Andrew Gwynne)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

**9 Social Security**

Social Security (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 3), dated 3 January 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Sir Stephen Timms)

Other papers

**10 Supply Estimates 2025–26**

Estimates for which a Vote on Account is required for the Local Government Boundary Commission for England for 2025–26 (by Act), to be printed (HC 446) (The Speaker)

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**SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES**

**STANDING ORDER NO. 39A (VOTING BY PROXY)**

(Variations to existing arrangements appear in **bold**.)

Member	From	To	Proxy
Olivia Blake	4 December 2024	<b>13 January</b>	Chris Elmore
Fred Thomas	7 January	4 February	Chris Elmore