

Monday 20 January 2025

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 Statements: (1) UK-Ukraine 100-year partnership (Secretary David Lammy)
 - (2) New Hospital Programme review (Secretary Wes Streeting)
- 3 Select Committee Statements (Standing Order No. 22D)
 - (1) Publication of the First Report of the Treasury Committee, The Office for Value for Money, HC 521 (Dame Meg Hillier)

(2) Publication of the Third Report of the Defence Committee, The Global Combat Air Programme, HC 598 (Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi)

4 Backbench Business

Impact of food and diet on obesity

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the impact of food and diet on obesity.—(*Dr Simon Opher.*)

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

Question put and agreed to.

5 Changes to membership of select committees

Ordered, That Phil Brickell be discharged from the Finance Committee and Luke Akehurst be added.—(Samantha Dixon, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

6 Adjournment

Subject: Role of Crewe railway station in transport connectivity (Connor Naismith)

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Chris Elmore.)

At 10 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 9(3)).

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.— (Chris Elmore.)

Adjourned at 10.27 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Changes to Notices Given

7 Quantitative Easing (Prohibition) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 24 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 7 March.

General Committees: Reports

8 First Delegated Legislation Committee

Carolyn Harris (Chair) reported the draft Silicon Valley Bank UK Limited Compensation Scheme 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).

9 Crown Estate Bill [Lords] Committee

Chairs: Gill Furniss and David Mundell

10Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill Committee

Chairs: Mr Clive Betts, Sir Christopher Chope, Sir Edward Leigh and Graham Stringer

Members: Nadia Whittome discharged and Lizzi Collinge nominated in substitution.

11Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill (Programming Sub-Committee)

Members: Catherine Atkinson, Emma Foody, Vicky Foxcroft, Catherine McKinnell, Stephen Morgan, Ian Sollom and Patrick Spencer

12First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Silicon Valley Bank UK Limited Compensation Scheme Order 2024)

Chair: Carolyn Harris

13Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Devon and Torbay Combined County Authority Regulations 2024, draft Greater Lincolnshire Combined County Authority Regulations 2025, draft Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority Order 2025

and draft Lancashire Combined County Authority Regulations 2024)

Chair: David Mundell

Members: Paul Holmes discharged and John

Cooper nominated in substitution.

14Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Heat Networks (Market Framework) (Great Britain) Regulations 2025)

Chair: Derek Twigg

Select Committees: Reports

15Public Accounts (Committee of)

- (1) Public charge points for electric vehicles: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 512);
- (2) Carbon capture, usage and storage: Written evidence, to be published (HC 351);
- (3) Correspondence from the Chief Executive Officer of the Infrastructure and Projects Authority relating to resettling government programmes: Written evidence, to be published;

- (4) Correspondence relating to the Committee's previous Reports: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) HS2: Update following northern leg cancellation: Written evidence, to be published (HC 357)

(Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown).

16National Security Strategy (Joint Committee on)

Correspondence from the Minister for Security: Written evidence, to be published (Matt Western).

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 Income requirement for family visas

Resolved, That this House has considered e-petition 652602 relating to the income requirement for family visas.—(Irene Campbell.)

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

Adjourned at 6.10 pm until tomorrow.

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Education

Draft Higher Education (Fee Limits and Fee Limit Condition) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Janet Daby)

2 Terms and Conditions of Employment

- (1) Draft Neonatal Care Leave and Miscellaneous Amendments Regulations 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Jonathan Reynolds)
- (2) Draft Statutory Neonatal Care Pay (General) Regulations 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Jonathan Reynolds)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

3 Education

School and Early Years Finance (England)
Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 42), dated 16
January 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory
Memorandum (by Command) (Catherine
McKinnell)

4 Romania No. 1 (2025)

Agreement, done at London on 13 November 2024, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Romania on Defence Cooperation (by Command) (CP 1247), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary David Lammy)

5 Social Security

Social Security (Income and Capital Disregards) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 44), dated 17 January 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Sir Stephen Timms)

Other papers

6 British Library

Statement by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport concerning the appointment of a Member to the Board of the British Library, under the British Library Act 1972 (by Act) (Secretary Lisa Nandy)

7 Government Resources and Accounts

Report and Accounts of Maritime and Coastguard Agency for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor

General (by Act), to be printed (HC 297) (Secretary Heidi Alexander)

8 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Cross-government: Maintaining public service facilities (by Act), to be printed (HC 544) (Clerk of the House)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

VOTING BY PROXY (STANDING ORDER NO. 39A)

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

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