



House of Commons

Thursday 23 January 2025

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 9.30 am.

Prayers

1 Questions to the Minister for the Cabinet Office

2 Urgent Questions: (1) OBR forecast: Agricultural and Business Property Relief (James Murray)

(2) Attorney General's Office: Conflicts of interest (Solicitor General)

3 Business Question (Leader of the House)

4 Statement: Energy Company Obligation 4 and insulation schemes (Miatta Fahnbulleh)

5 Holocaust Memorial Day

Resolved, That this House has considered Holocaust Memorial Day.—(*Matthew Pennycook*.)

6 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to county council elections in West Sussex was presented and read by Jess Brown-Fuller.

7 Adjournment

Subject: Impact of the Autumn Budget 2024 on high street businesses (Victoria Collins)

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Gen Kitchen*.)

At 5 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 9(3)).

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

Adjourned at 5.24 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Changes to Notices Given

8 Horticultural Peat (Prohibition of Sale) Bill

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

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 4 July.

9 Children's Hospices (Funding) Bill

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

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 16 May.

10 Poly and Perfluorinated Alkyl Substances (Guidance) Bill

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

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 April.

General Committees: Reports

11 Tobacco and Vapes Bill Committee

Peter Dowd (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

12 Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill Committee

Sir Christopher Chope (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

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).

13 Finance Bill (except Clauses 7 to 12, Schedules 1 and 2, Clauses 15 to 18, Schedule 3 and Clauses 47 to 53) Committee

Chairs: David Mundell and Valerie Vaz

14 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) Order 2025)

Chair: Carolyn Harris

15 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage Requirements etc.) Regulations 2025)

Chair: Esther McVey

16 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Armed Forces (Court Martial) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2024)

(1) Chair: Clive Efford

(2) Members: Dr Simon Opher discharged and Mr Paul Foster nominated in substitution.

17 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Gambling Act 2005 (Operating Licence Conditions) (Amendment) Regulations 2024) and (draft Gambling Levy Regulations 2025)

Chair: Derek Twigg

18 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Register of Overseas Entities (Protection and Trusts) (Amendment) Regulations 2025)

(1) Chair: Sir Desmond Swayne

(2) Members: Alison Griffiths discharged and Aphra Brandreth nominated in substitution.

19 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Separation of Waste (England) Regulations 2025)

(1) Chair: Gill Furniss

(2) Members: Charlie Maynard discharged and Rachel Gilmour nominated in substitution.

Select Committees: Reports

20 Backbench Business Committee

Determination of business to be taken on Thursday 30 January in the Chamber and Thursday 6 February and Tuesday 11 February in Westminster Hall (Bob Blackman).

21 Home Affairs Committee

Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to child sexual abuse: Written evidence, to be published (Dame Karen Bradley).

22 Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee

(1) *Housing associations: Development and finances:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 599);

(2) *Rough sleeping:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 339)
(Florence Eshalomi).

23 Public Accounts (Committee of)

(1) *DWP Customer Service and Accounts 2023–24:* Sixth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 354);

(2) *Whole of Government Accounts 2022–23:* Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 367)

(Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown).

Sir Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 1.30 pm.

Business determined by the Backbench Business Committee (Standing Orders No. 10(7) and No. 14(4))

1 International Day of Education

Resolved, That this House has considered the International Day of Education.—(*Bambos Charalambous*.)

The sitting was suspended between 2.42 pm and 3 pm.

2 Innovation in the field of rare retinal disease

Resolved, That this House has considered innovation in the field of rare retinal disease.—(*Jim Shannon*.)

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

Adjourned at 4 pm until Monday 27 January.

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Income Tax

MPs', Senedd and Assembly Pension Schemes (Tax) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 52), dated 21 January 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Emma Reynolds)

2 Senior Courts of England and Wales

Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Rules 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 60), dated 20 January 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Shabana Mahmood)

Other papers

3 Online Safety

Report on Notices to deal with terrorism content and/or CSEA content for the year ending 31 December 2024 (by Act) (Chris Bryant)

4 Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform)

Assimilated Law Parliamentary Report June to December 2024 (by Act) (Secretary Jonathan Reynolds)

5 Treaty Series No. 4 (2025)

Appendix: Decision 1/2024 of the UK-ESA States EPA Committee, done at Port Louis on 14 October 2024, amending certain provisions of Protocol I concerning the definition of the concept of "originating products" (by Command) (CP 1257) (Secretary David Lammy)

CORRECTION

Tuesday 21 January 2025

Item 18 should have read:

Tobacco and Vapes Bill Committee

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Written evidence to be published.