



House of Commons

Monday 27 January 2025

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 2.30 pm.

Prayers

1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Education

2 Urgent Question: Government fiscal policy: Impact on defence (Luke Pollard)

3 Statement: Storm Éowyn (Pat McFadden)

4 Creative industries

Resolved, That this House has considered the creative industries.—(*Chris Bryant*.)

5 Changes to membership of select committees

(1) *Ordered*, That Frank McNally be discharged from the Procedure Committee and David Baines be added.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection*.)

(2) *Ordered*, That Ben Obese-Jecty be a member of the Work and Pensions Committee.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection*.)

6 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to intensive poultry units was presented and read by Ellie Chowns.

7 Adjournment

Subject: A&E services in Solihull Borough (Saqib Bhatti)

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

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Martin McCluskey*.)

Adjourned at 10.08 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

8 First Delegated Legislation Committee

Carolyn Harris (Chair) reported the draft Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) Order 2025.

9 Second Delegated Legislation Committee

Esther McVey (Chair) reported the draft Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage Requirements etc.) Regulations 2025.

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).

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

Members: Maya Ellis and Shivan Raja discharged and Simon Hoare and Gregor Poynton nominated in substitution.

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

Members: Bambos Charalambous and Paul Holmes discharged and Mr Richard Holden and Michael Wheeler nominated in substitution.

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

Members: Mr Richard Holden and Baggy Shanker discharged and Paul Holmes and John Whitby nominated in substitution.

Select Committees: Reports

13 Business and Trade Committee

Make work pay: Employment Rights Bill: Written evidence, to be published (HC 370) (Liam Byrne).

14 Environmental Audit Committee

(1) *Outcomes of UNFCCC COP29:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 667);

(2) *The role of natural capital in the green economy:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 501)

(Mr Toby Perkins).

15 Foreign Affairs Committee

The Israeli-Palestinian conflict: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 488) (Emily Thornberry).

16 Public Accounts (Committee of)

(1) *Asylum accommodation: Home Office acquisition of former HMP Northeye*: Seventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 361);

(2) *Prison estate capacity*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 366);

(3) *Carbon capture, usage and storage*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 351);

(4) *Correspondence from the Chief Executive Officer, Sport England relating to the 2023–24 Annual Report and Accounts*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Chief Secretary to the Treasury relating to the Office for Value for Money recommendation on system reform*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State for the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology relating to the State of Digital Government Review and the Blueprint for Modern Digital Government*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Correspondence relating to the Committee's previous Reports*: Written evidence, to be published;

(8) *Correspondence with the Chief Executive and First Permanent Secretary at HM Revenue and Customs*: Written evidence, to be published;

(9) *Correspondence with the Permanent Secretary of the Department for Work and Pensions relating to erroneous state pension payments*: Written evidence, to be published;

(10) *Crown Court backlogs*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 348);

(11) *Tax evasion in the retail sector*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 355)

(Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown).

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 Speech and language therapy

Resolved, That this House has considered e-petition 657935 relating to speech and language therapy.—(Dave Robertson.)

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

Adjourned at 6.07 pm until tomorrow.

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Criminal Law

Fixed Penalty Offences Order 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 68), dated 22 January 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

2 Data Protection

Data Protection (Charges and Information) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 63), dated 22 January 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Chris Bryant)

3 Retained EU Law Reform

Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 82), dated 22 January 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Justin Madders)

Other papers

4 Bank of England

(1) Response to recommendations for the Prudential Regulation Committee: January 2025 (by Act) (Emma Reynolds)

(2) Response to the remit for the Financial Policy Committee: January 2025 (by Act) (Emma Reynolds)

5 Government Resources and Accounts

(1) Consolidated Report and Accounts of the Food Standards Agency for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 583) (James Murray)

(2) Report and Accounts of Sir John Soane's Museum for the year ended 31 March 2024, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 596) (Chris Bryant)

(3) Report and Accounts of the Food Standards Agency Westminster for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 576) (James Murray)

6 Ministry of Defence

Ministry of Defence Minute, dated 27 January 2025, concerning the gifting of a Fairey Swordfish Mark II (LS326) to the Fly Navy Heritage Trust Limited (by Command) (Secretary John Healey)

7 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Cabinet Office: Government cyber resilience (by Act), to be printed (HC 546) (Clerk of the House)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

VOTING BY PROXY (STANDING ORDER NO. 39A)

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

Member	From	To	Proxy
Alicia Kearns	10 December 2024	1 May	Joy Morrissey

CORRECTION

Tuesday 21 January 2025

The following entry should have appeared after item 18:

Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill Committee

Sir Roger Gale (Chair) reported:

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.