

Thursday 13 February 2025

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 9.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Transport
- 2 Urgent Question: Ukraine (Maria Eagle)
- 3 Business Question (Leader of the House)
- 4 Statement: Progress on Infected Blood Compensation Scheme (Nick Thomas-Symonds)
- 5 Members' interests (Standing Order No. 150(4)) (Navendu Mishra)
- 6 Church of Scotland (Lord High Commissioner) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Pat McFadden, supported by the Prime Minister, Secretary Angela Rayner, Secretary lan Murray, Secretary Bridget Phillipson and Nick Thomas-Symonds, presented a Bill to make provision for persons of the Roman Catholic faith to be eligible to hold the office of His Majesty's High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Monday 24 February, and to be printed (Bill 185) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 185–EN).

7 LGBT+ History Month

Resolved, That this House has considered LGBT+ History Month.—(Dame Nia Griffith.)

8 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to respiratory syncytial virus vaccine eligibility criteria was presented and read by Bambos Charalambous.

9 Adjournment

Subject: Reform of private family law hearings (Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Jeff Smith.)

Adjourned at 3.58 pm until Monday 24 February (Order, 3 February).

Other Proceedings

Select Committees: Reports

10 Backbench Business Committee

Determination of business to be taken on Thursday 27 February in the Chamber and Thursday 20 March in Westminster Hall (Bob Blackman).

11 Home Affairs Committee

- (1) Home Office 2024–25 Supplementary Estimate Memorandum: Written evidence, to be published;
- (2) National Crime Agency 2024–25 Supplementary Estimate Memorandum: Written evidence, to be published

(Dame Karen Bradley).

12 Public Accounts (Committee of)

- (1) Excess votes 2023–24: Eleventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 719);
- (2) Crown Court backlogs: Twelfth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 348);
- (3) *Improving educational outcomes for disadvantaged children*: Thirteenth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 365);
- (4) Fixing NHS Dentistry: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 648);
- (5) *NAO Main Estimate 2025–26*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 552) (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 HIV Testing Week

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered HIV Testing Week.—(David Mundell.)

At 3 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

2 Prevention of cardiovascular disease

Resolved, That this House has considered the prevention of cardiovascular disease.—(Jim Shannon.)

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

Adjourned at 4.16 pm until Monday 24 February (Order, 3 February).

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Agriculture

Draft Agriculture (Delinked Payments) (Reductions) (England) Regulations 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Steve Reed)

2 Town and Country Planning

Draft Town and Country Planning (Fees and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Matthew Pennycook)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

3 Education

Education (Student Fees, Awards and Support) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 162), dated 12 February 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Janet Daby)

4 Procurement

National Procurement Policy Statement (by Act) (Georgia Gould)

5 Representation of the People

Elections (Policy Development Grants Scheme) Order 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 159), dated 12 February 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Rushanara Ali)

Other papers

6 Merchant Shipping

Report and Accounts of the General Lighthouse Fund for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 495) (Secretary Heidi Alexander)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

VOTING BY PROXY (STANDING ORDER NO. 39A)

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

Member	From	То	Proxy
Stuart Anderson	6 January	2 May	Mr Gagan Mohindra
Satvir Kaur	11 December 2024	28 March	Chris Elmore

CORRECTIONS

Tuesday 4 February 2025

The following entry should have appeared in the list of reports from select committees:

Administration Committee

() Record of the Committee's discussions at its meeting on 4 February, to be published (Nick Smith).

Tuesday 11 February 2025

The following entry should have appeared in the list of reports from select committees:

Administration Committee

() Record of the Committee's discussions at its meeting on 11 February, to be published (Nick Smith).

Wednesday 12 February 2025

Item 9 in the list of Papers Laid should have read:

9 Supply Estimates 2025–26

- (1) Estimates for which a Vote on Account is required for the House of Commons Administration for 2025–26 (by Act), to be printed (HC 660) (The Speaker)
- (2) Estimates for which a Vote on Account is required for the Parliamentary Works Grant for 2025–26 (by Act), to be printed (HC 662) (Ms Nusrat Ghani)