



House of Commons

Friday 28 March 2025

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 9.30am.

1 The Speaker's Absence

Ms Nusrat Ghani, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table (Standing Order No. 3).

Prayers

2 Deputy Speaker in the Chair

Ms Nusrat Ghani, the Chairman of Ways and Means, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker (Standing Order No. 3).

3 Spoliation Advisory Panel

Resolved, That an Humble Address be presented to His Majesty, That he will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the Report from the Right Honourable Sir Alan Moses, Chairman of the Spoliation Advisory Panel, dated 28 March 2025, in respect of the painting "Aeneas and his Family Fleeing Burning Troy" by Henry Gibbs now in the possession of the Tate Gallery.—(*Gen Kitchen.*)

4 Motion to sit in private

Chris McDonald moved, That the House sit in private.

Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 163).

The House divided.

Division No. 156

Ayes: 0 (Tellers: Chris McDonald, Tristan Osborne)

Noes: 44 (Tellers: Gen Kitchen, Taiwo Owatemi)

Question negatived.

5 Water Bill: Second Reading

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Water Bill be now read a second time.

Ordered, That the debate be now adjourned.—(*Taiwo Owatemi.*)

Debate to be resumed on Friday 4 July.

6 Looked After Children (Distance Placements) Bill: Second Reading

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Looked After Children (Distance Placements) Bill be now read a second time.

At 2.30 pm proceedings were interrupted (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Debate to be resumed on Friday 11 July.

7 Homelessness Prevention Bill: Second Reading

Bill read a second time and stood committed to a public bill committee (Standing Order No. 63(1)).

8 Domestic Building Works (Consumer Protection) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Domestic Building Works (Consumer Protection) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 13 June.

9 Exemption from Value Added Tax (Listed Places of Worship) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Exemption from Value Added Tax (Listed Places of Worship) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

10 Exemption from Value Added Tax (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Exemption from Value Added Tax (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

11 Caravan Site Licensing (Exemptions of Motor Homes) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Caravan Site Licensing (Exemptions of Motor Homes) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

12 Vehicle Registration Documents (Sale of Vehicle) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Vehicle Registration Documents (Sale of Vehicle) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 5 September.

13 Nurse (Use of Title) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Nurse (Use of Title) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 20 June.

14 Women's State Pension Age (Ombudsman Report and Compensation Scheme) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Women's State Pension Age (Ombudsman Report and Compensation Scheme) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

15 Arm's-Length Bodies (Review) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Arm's-Length Bodies (Review) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

16 Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 (Amendment) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

17 Statutory Instruments Act 1946 (Amendment) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Statutory Instruments Act 1946 (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

18 Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 (Amendment) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

19 Domestic Energy (Value Added Tax) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Domestic Energy (Value Added Tax) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

20 BBC Licence Fee Non-Payment (Decriminalisation for Over-75s) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the BBC Licence Fee Non-Payment (Decriminalisation for Over-75s) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

21 Quantitative Easing (Prohibition) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Quantitative Easing (Prohibition) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

22 Pets (Microchips) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Pets (Microchips) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

23 Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Payments Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Payments Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

24 Anonymity of Suspects Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Anonymity of Suspects Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

25 Children's Clothing (Value Added Tax) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Children's Clothing (Value Added Tax) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

26 Highways Act 1980 (Amendment) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Highways Act 1980 (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

27 British Broadcasting Corporation (Privatisation) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the British Broadcasting Corporation (Privatisation) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

28 Illegal Immigration (Offences) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Illegal Immigration (Offences) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

29 Vaccine Damage Payments Act (Review) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Vaccine Damage Payments Act (Review) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

30 NHS England (Alternative Treatment) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the NHS England (Alternative Treatment) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

31 Terminal Illness (Relief of Pain) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Terminal Illness (Relief of Pain) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

32 Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Covid-19 Vaccine Damage Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

33 Marriage (Prohibited Degrees of Relationship) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Marriage (Prohibited Degrees of Relationship) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 18 July.

34 Mobile Homes Act 1983 (Amendment) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Mobile Homes Act 1983 (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

35 Sentencing Council (Powers of Secretary of State) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Sentencing Council (Powers of Secretary of State) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

36 Arm's-Length Bodies (Accountability to Parliament) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Arm's-Length Bodies (Accountability to Parliament) Bill be now read a second time.

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 11(2)).

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

37 Adjournment

Subject: Potential merits of issuing guidance under the Down Syndrome Act 2022 to local authorities (Jack Rankin)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Taiwo Owatemi*.)

Adjourned at 2.54 pm until Monday 31 March.

Other Proceedings

Select Committees: Reports

38 Business and Trade Committee

Economic crime: Written evidence, to be published (HC 798) (Liam Byrne).

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Other papers

1 House of Commons Members' Fund

Account of the House of Commons Members' Fund for 2023–24, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 809) (Clerk of the House)

2 Spoliation Advisory Panel

Return to an Address to His Majesty for a Return of the Report from Sir Alan Moses, Chairman of the Spoliation Advisory Panel, dated 28 March 2025, in respect of the painting "Aeneas and his Family Fleeing Burning Troy" by Henry Gibbs in the possession of the Tate Gallery (pursuant to Resolution today), to be printed (HC 756) (Chris Bryant)

3 Forensic Science Regulator

Explanatory Memorandum to the Forensic Science Regulator draft Code of Practice 2025 (Version 2) (by Command) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

Withdrawn papers

4 Forensic Science Regulator

Explanatory Memorandum to the Forensic Science Regulator draft Code of Practice 2025 (Version 2) (laid 20 March)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

VOTING BY PROXY (STANDING ORDER NO. 39A)

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

Member	From	To	Proxy
Pamela Nash	27 January	8 April	Chris Elmore