



House of Commons

Friday 25 April 2025

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 9.30 am.

Prayers

1 Motion to sit in private

Adam Thompson moved, That the House sit in private.

Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 163).

The House divided.

Division No. 176

Ayes: 1 (Tellers: Josh Fenton-Glynn, Gareth Snell)

Noes: 73 (Tellers: Christian Wakeford, Anna McMorrin)

Question negated.

2 Devolution (Immigration) (Scotland) Bill: Second Reading

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Devolution (Immigration) (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time.

Brendan O'Hara claimed to move the closure (Standing Order No. 36).

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The House divided.

Division No. 177

Ayes: 12 (Tellers: Kirsty Blackman, Brendan O'Hara)

Noes: 50 (Tellers: Kate Dearden, Vicky Foxcroft)

Question negated.

Question again proposed, That the Devolution (Immigration) (Scotland) 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.

3 Plant Protection Products (Prohibition on Public Sector Use) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Plant Protection Products (Prohibition on Public Sector Use) Bill be now read a second time.

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

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 17 October.

4 Meat (Information About Method of Killing) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Meat (Information About Method of Killing) Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

5 Theft of Tools of Trade (Sentencing) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Theft of Tools of Trade (Sentencing) 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.

6 Fireworks Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Fireworks Bill be now read a second time.

7 Ceramics (Country of Origin Marking) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Ceramics (Country of Origin Marking) Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

8 Pension (Special Rules for End of Life) Bill: Second Reading

Order read, That the Pension (Special Rules for End of Life) Bill be now read a second time.

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

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 11 July.

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 16 May.

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 16 May.

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 16 May.

12 Deputy Speaker's Statement: Arm's-Length Bodies (Review) Bill

The Deputy Speaker reported that, further to the Deputy Speaker's statement on 28 March (Official Report col.1298), Mr Speaker had directed that the proceedings entitled the Arm's-Length Bodies (Accountability to Parliament) Bill on 14 March should be considered void and that this should be reflected in the Journal. That title, and associated text, had been substituted in error for the Arm's-Length Bodies (Review) Bill. As the House had been notified, the Arm's-Length Bodies (Review) Bill had not been correctly printed at that time, which was a requirement under Standing Order No. 14(3). The order for second reading therefore lapsed at the rising of the House on 13 March.

Once the Bill had been printed and made available in the Vote Office, notice could be given appointing the next available Private Members' Bill Friday for second reading and so all subsequent proceedings, including on 28 March and today, were unaffected.

13 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 16 May.

14 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 16 May.

15 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 16 May.

16 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 16 May.

17 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 16 May.

18 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 16 May.

19 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 16 May.

20 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 16 May.

21 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 16 May.

22 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 16 May.

23 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 16 May.

24 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 16 May.

25 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 16 May.

26 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 16 May.

27 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 16 May.

28 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 16 May.

29 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 16 May.

30 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 16 May.

31 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 16 May.

32 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.

33 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 16 May.

34 Adjournment

Subject: Government support for regeneration in Wickford town centre (Mr Mark Francois)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Kate Dearden.)

Adjourned at 3.04 pm until Monday 28 April.

Other Proceedings

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).

35 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Offensive Weapons) (Amendment, Surrender and Compensation) (England and Wales) Order 2025)

Members: Lee Barron discharged and Neil Duncan-Jordan nominated in substitution.

Select Committees: Reports

36 Culture, Media and Sport Committee

The work of the Department for Culture, Media and Sport: Written evidence, to be published (HC 330) (Dame Caroline Dinenage).

37 Science, Innovation and Technology Committee

Correspondence with the Department: Written evidence, to be published (Chi Onwurah).

Sir Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 France No. 1 (2025)

Agreement, done at London on 9 April 2025, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the French Republic on Safety and Interoperability Requirements in the Channel Fixed Link (by Command) (CP 1314), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary David Lammy)

2 Retained EU Law Reform

Public Procurement (Revocation) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 522), dated 24 April 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Georgia Gould)

Other papers**3 Income Tax**

Explanatory Memorandum to the Statutory Neonatal Care Pay (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 326) (by Command) (James Murray)

Withdrawn papers

4 Income Tax

Explanatory Memorandum to the Statutory Neonatal Care Pay (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 326) (laid 12 March)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

VOTING BY PROXY (STANDING ORDER NO. 39A)

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

Member	From	To	Proxy
Shivani Raja	23 April	21 May	Joy Morrissey (28 April to 1 May), Mr Gagan Mohindra (thereafter)