



# House of Commons

Tuesday 8 July 2025

## Votes and Proceedings

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The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

**1 Private Bill: Norwich Livestock Market Bill [Lords]: Third Reading**

Bill read the third time and passed without amendment.

**2 Private Bill: Royal Albert Hall Bill [Lords]: Second Reading**

Motion made, That the Royal Albert Hall Bill [Lords] be now read a second time.—  
(*Chairman of Ways and Means.*)

Objection taken (Standing Order No. 20(2)).

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday 14 July at 7.00 pm.

**3 Death of a former Member**

The Speaker reported to the House the death of Lord Tebbit, the former Member for Chingford, and extended the sympathy of the House to the former Member's family and friends.(Gareth Thomas)

**4 Questions to the Secretary of State for Justice**

**5 Statements: (1) UK Government Resilience Action Plan (Pat McFadden)**

**(2) Road and rail projects (Secretary Heidi Alexander)**

**(3) Post Office Horizon Inquiry: Publication of Volume 1 Report (Gareth Thomas)**

**6 Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (training in schools): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23) (Gareth Thomas)**

*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision about the evaluation of training about Special Educational Needs and Disabilities in Initial Teacher Education; to require training about Special Education Needs and Disabilities for certain persons working in schools as part of their continuing professional development; and for connected purposes;

That Nesil Caliskan, Anna Dixon, Chris Ward, Chris Kane, Mr Clive Betts, Danny Beales, Daniel Francis, Dawn Butler, Jen Craft, Lloyd Hatton and Sarah Hall present the Bill.

Nesil Caliskan accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 12 September, and to be printed (Bill 281).

**7 Football Governance Bill [Lords]: Consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Public Bill Committee**

New Clause NC1—(*Mr Louie French*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the new Clause be read a second time.

The Deputy Speaker announced a time limit on backbench speeches (Standing Order No. 47(1)).

Question put.

The House divided.

Division No. 254

Ayes: 167 (Tellers: Sir Ashley Fox, Rebecca Smith)

Noes: 346 (Tellers: Keir Mather, Taiwo Owatemi)

Question negatived.

As it was less than one hour before the moment of interruption, the Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary to bring proceedings on Consideration to a conclusion (Programme Order, 28 April).

The following Questions were put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83E).

(1) That New Clause NC3 be added to the Bill (New Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Max Wilkinson.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 255

Ayes: 86 (Tellers: Bobby Dean, Tom Morrison)

Noes: 340 (Tellers: Keir Mather, Taiwo Owatemi)

Question negatived.

(2) That Amendments 4 to 7 be made (single Question on Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*Stephanie Peacock.*)

Question agreed to.

(3) That Amendment 18 be made (Amendment selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Mr Louie French.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 256

Ayes: 178 (Tellers: Sir Ashley Fox, Rebecca Smith)

Noes: 338 (Tellers: Keir Mather, Taiwo Owatemi)

Question negatived.

Consideration completed.

**8 Football Governance Bill [Lords]: Third Reading**

Motion made and Question put, That the Football Governance Bill [Lords] be now read the third time.

The House divided.

Division No. 257

Ayes: 415 (Tellers: Keir Mather, Taiwo Owatemi)

Noes: 98 (Tellers: Paul Holmes, Joy Morrissey)

Question agreed to and Bill passed with Amendments.

**9 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval**

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Online Safety Super-Complaints (Eligibility and Procedural Matters) Regulations 2025, which were laid before this House on 9 June, be approved.—(*Taiwo Owatemi.*)

Question agreed to.

**10 Adjournment (Summer and Conference)**

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 25), That this House, at its rising on Tuesday 22 July 2025, do adjourn until Monday 1 September 2025; and at its rising on Tuesday 16 September 2025, do adjourn until Monday 13 October 2025.—(*Lucy Powell.*)

Question agreed to.

**11 Electoral Commission**

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that His Majesty will re-appoint Dr Katy Radford MBE as an Electoral Commissioner with effect from 1 September 2025 for the period ending on 31 August 2029.—(*Lucy Powell.*)

**12 Adjournment**

Subject: Safeguarding combat sports for children (Dan Carden)

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

At 7 pm, the Motion lapsed.

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

Adjourned at 7.18 pm until tomorrow.

## Other Proceedings

### *Changes to Notices Given*

**13 Battery Energy Storage Systems (Fire Safety) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 11 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 29 May 2026.

**14 Educational Institutions (Mental Health Policy) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 11 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 29 May 2026.

**15 Public Services (Targets) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 11 July, read and discharged.

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

**16 Criminal Cases Review (Public Petition) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 11 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 12 September.

**17 Marine Protected Areas (Bottom Trawling) (England) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 11 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 29 May 2026.

**18 Domestic Abuse (Aggravated Offences) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 11 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 24 October.

**19 Fur (Import and Sale) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 11 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 12 September.

**20 Littering from Vehicles (Offences) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 11 July, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 29 May 2026.

*General Committees: Reports***21 Second Delegated Legislation Committee**

Graham Stringer (Chair) reported the draft Electricity and Gas (Energy Company Obligation) (Amendment) Order 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).*

**22 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Buckinghamshire Council, Surrey County Council and Warwickshire County Council (Housing and Regeneration Functions) Regulations 2025)**

Members: Julia Buckley discharged and Lewis Atkinson nominated in substitution.

*Select Committees: Reports***23 Administration Committee**

Record of the Committee's discussions at its meeting on Tuesday 8 July, to be published (Nick Smith).

**24 Backbench Business Committee**

Transcript of representations made on Tuesday 8 July, to be published (Bob Blackman).

**25 Business and Trade Committee**

(1) *UK economic security*: Oral evidence received by the Sub-Committee, to be published (HC 835);

(2) *Correspondence from the Minister for the Middle East, North Africa, Afghanistan and Pakistan relating to arms exports to Israel*: Written evidence received by the Sub-Committee, to be published;

(3) *Post Office Horizon scandal: fast and fair redress*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 341)

(Liam Byrne).

**26 Culture, Media and Sport Committee**

(1) *Creative Industries Sector Plan*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1132);

(2) *Game on: Community and school sport*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 593);

(3) *The future of the BBC World Service*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 529);

(4) *The work of the Department for Culture, Media and Sport*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 330)

(Dame Caroline Dinenage).

**27 Defence Committee**

(1) *The UK contribution to European Security*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 520);

(2) *Correspondence with the Minister for Veterans and People regarding the Covenant Legal Duty*: Written evidence, to be published

(Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi).

**28 Education Committee**

(1) *Curriculum and Assessment Review*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 864);

(2) *Solving the SEND crisis*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 492)

(Helen Hayes).

**29 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee**

(1) *Preventing waste and enabling a circular economy*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 929);

(2) *Animal and plant health*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 611);

(3) *Reforming the water sector*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 588);

(4) *Work of the Department and its arm's-length bodies*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 415)

(Mr Alistair Carmichael).

**30 Foreign Affairs Committee**

*Work of the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 385) (Emily Thornberry).*

**31 Home Affairs Committee**

(1) *Tackling Violence Against Women and Girls: Funding:*

(i) Third Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 741);

(ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 741);

(2) *Combatting new forms of extremism: Written evidence, to be published (HC 903);*

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister for Migration and Citizenship relating to the extension of Interim Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration (ICIBI): Written evidence, to be published;*

(4) *Correspondence from the Minister for Migration and Citizenship relating to changes to the Immigration Rules: Written evidence, to be published;*

(5) *Correspondence from the Minister for Safeguarding and Violence Against Women and Girls relating to the evidence session on 17 June: Written evidence, to be published;*

(6) *Correspondence from the Minister for Safeguarding and Violence Against Women and Girls relating to the VAWG Strategy: Written evidence, to be published;*

(7) *Correspondence with the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police relating to the proposed new embassy of the People's Republic of China: Written evidence, to be published*

(Dame Karen Bradley).

**32 Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee**

(1) *Spending Review: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 983);*

(2) *Correspondence from the Minister for Housing and Planning relating to leaseholder protections: Written evidence, to be published;*

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister for Local Government and English Devolution relating to local audit: Written evidence, to be published;*

(4) *Delivering 1.5 million new homes: Land Value Capture: Written evidence, to be published (HC 672);*

(5) *Housing for Older People: Written evidence, to be published (HC 982);*

(6) *Property Management Companies: Written evidence, to be published (HC 980)*

(Florence Eshalomi).

**33 International Development Committee**

(1) *Correspondence with the Chair of British International Investment relating to the DFI Transparency Index: Written evidence, to be published;*

(2) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs relating to democracy and humanitarian support for Myanmar: Written evidence, to be published*

(Sarah Champion).

**34 Justice Committee**

- (1) *Tackling drugs in prisons*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 557);
- (2) *Rehabilitation and resettlement: ending the cycle of reoffending*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 469);
- (3) *Correspondence from Minister for Prisons, Probation and Reducing Reoffending relating to the cost of phone minutes to prisoners*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *Correspondence from the Minister of State (Sarah Sackman KC) relating to increases to housing and immigration civil legal aid fees*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Secretary for the Cabinet Office (Georgia Gould) relating to the Serco Electronic Monitoring Contract*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (6) *Correspondence with the Lord Chancellor*: Written evidence, to be published (Andy Slaughter).

**35 Modernisation Committee**

*Access to the House of Commons and its procedures*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 755) (Lucy Powell).

**36 Petitions Committee**

- (1) Record of the Committee's decisions relating to e-petitions, to be published;
- (2) List of closed e-petitions presented to the House, to be published (Jamie Stone).

**37 Public Accounts (Committee of)**

*HS2: Update following the Northern leg cancellation*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 357) (Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown).

**38 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee**

- (1) *The work of the UK Statistics Authority*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 847);
- (2) *Propriety, ethics and the wider standards landscape in the UK*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 899);
- (3) *Correspondence from Catherine Little CB, Civil Service Chief Operating Officer and Cabinet Office Permanent Secretary relating to UK Statistics Authority Chair*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *Correspondence from Sir Laurie Magnus CBE, Independent Adviser on Ministerial Standards relating to Ministerial Statements and the Ministerial Code Inquiry*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) *Correspondence from Sir Robert Chote, Chair of the UK Statistics Authority relating to the recruitment of a new National Statistician*: Written evidence, to be published (Simon Hoare).

**39 Science, Innovation and Technology Committee**

- (1) *Digital centre of government*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 790);
- (2) *Innovation showcase*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 523);
- (3) *Correspondence with the Department*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Innovation, growth and the regions*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Science diplomacy*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 838)

(Dame Chi Onwurah).

#### 40 Transport Committee

*Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to Department for Transport fees, fines and charges*: Written evidence, to be published (Ruth Cadbury).

#### 41 Treasury Committee

(1) *Financial Ombudsman Service: Accountability to the House of Commons*: Ninth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1184);

(2) *Acceptance of cash: Government Response*: Second Special Report, to be printed (HC 1128);

(3) *Banks and building societies*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 900);

(4) *Finfluencers*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 863);

(5) *Work of the Financial Conduct Authority*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 417)

(Dame Meg Hillier).

*Sir Lindsay Hoyle*

Speaker

## Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.30 am

Business appointed by the Chairman of Ways and Means (Standing Order No. 10(6))

#### 1 Alcohol and cancer

*Resolved*, That this House has considered alcohol and cancer.—(Cat Smith.)

*The sitting was suspended between 10.49 am and 11 am.*

#### 2 Local government reform in Cambridgeshire

*Resolved*, That this House has considered local government reform in Cambridgeshire.—(Ben Obese-Jecty.)

*The sitting was suspended between 11.30 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).*

#### 3 Use of generative artificial intelligence in schools

*Resolved*, That this House has considered the use of generative artificial intelligence in schools.—(Damian Hinds.)

*The sitting was suspended between 3.38 pm and 4 pm.*

#### 4 Military helicopters and blood cancers

*Resolved*, That this House has considered military helicopters and blood cancers.—(Jayne Kirkham.)



**5 Down's syndrome regression disorder research**

*Resolved*, That this House has considered Down's syndrome regression disorder research.—(*Jen Craft*.)

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

Adjourned at 5.29 pm until tomorrow.

*Ms Nusrat Ghani*

Chairman of Ways and Means

## Papers Laid

### Papers subject to Negative Resolution

**1 Plant Health**

Marketing of Fruit Plant and Propagating Material (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 812), dated 7 July 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Steve Reed)

### Other papers

**2 Charities**

(1) Accounts of the Official Custodian for Charities for 2024–25, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1011) (Stephanie Peacock)

(2) Report and Accounts of the Charity Commission for England and Wales for 2024–25, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1010) (James Murray)

**3 Industrial Training**

Report and Accounts of the Engineering Construction Industry Training Board for 2024, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 962) (Janet Daby)

**4 Inquiries**

Report of the Post Office Horizon IT Inquiry: Volume 1 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1119) (Secretary Jonathan Reynolds)

**5 Legal Services**

Report and Accounts of the Office for Legal Complaints for 2024–25, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1029) (Secretary Shabana Mahmood)

**6 Online Safety**

Report of the Office of Communications on researchers' access to information from regulated services (by Act) (Chris Bryant)

**7 Planning**

National Policy Statement for Water Resources Infrastructure (by Act) (Secretary Steve Reed)

**8 Treasury**

Office for Budget Responsibility: Fiscal risks and sustainability (by Command) (CP 1343) (James Murray)

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**SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE****VOTING BY PROXY (STANDING ORDER NO. 39A)**

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

Member	From	To	Proxy
Matthew Patrick	1 September	10 October	Chris Elmore