



House of Commons

Wednesday 15 October 2025

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland
(2) the Prime Minister
- 2 Urgent Question: Jhoots Pharmacy (Stephen Kinnock)
- 3 Statements: (1) Ukraine (Secretary Yvette Cooper)
(2) Pride in Place (Miatta Fahnbulleh)

- 4 Police and crime commissioners (accountability and review): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision about the accountability of police and crime commissioners; to make provision about the measurement of police and crime commissioners' performance; to make provision about the setting of priorities for police and crime commissioners; to require the Secretary of State to commission a review of the operation and functions of police and crime commissioners, including consideration of options for their abolition and replacement; and for connected purposes;

That Matt Western, Chris Bloore, Adam Jogee, Debbie Abrahams, Sam Carling and Rachel Taylor present the Bill.

Matt Western accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 May 2026, and to be printed (Bill 312).

- 5 Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill: Consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Public Bill Committee

New Clause NC1—(*Ollly Glover*)—brought up, and read the first time.

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

Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

New Clause NC5—(*Ollly Glover*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Division No. 311

Ayes: 78 (Tellers: Tom Morrison, Susan Murray)
Noes: 316 (Tellers: Mark Ferguson, Deirdre Costigan)

Question negatived.

Amendments 1 to 6 made.

Amendment 8 proposed.—(*Greg Smith.*)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 312

Ayes: 151 (Tellers: Nick Timothy, Rebecca Smith)
Noes: 319 (Tellers: Mark Ferguson, Deirdre Costigan)

Question negatived.

Amendment 9 proposed.—(*Greg Smith.*)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Division No. 313

Ayes: 160 (Tellers: Rebecca Smith, Nick Timothy)
Noes: 324 (Tellers: Deirdre Costigan, Mark Ferguson)

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, 11 June).

The following Question was put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83E).

That Amendment 7 be made (Question on any Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*Keir Mather.*)

Question agreed to.

Consideration completed.

6 Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill: Third Reading

Bill read the third time and passed.

7 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Aviation Safety (Amendment) Regulations 2025, which were laid before this House on 16 July, be approved.—(*Deirdre Costigan.*)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Extradition Act 2003 (Amendment to Designations) Order 2025, which was laid before this House on 17 July, be approved.—(*Deirdre Costigan.*)

Question agreed to.

8 Modernisation Committee

Ordered, That Marie Goldman be discharged from the Modernisation Committee and Bobby Dean be added.—(*Deirdre Costigan*.)

9 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of the constituency of Dudley relating to the privatisation of Sycamore Adventure Centre was presented and read by Sonia Kumar.

10 Adjournment

Subject: Work in prisons for serving prisoners (Catherine Atkinson)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Deirdre Costigan*.)

Adjourned at 6.49 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Lords Messages

11 Bus Services (No. 2) Bill [Lords]

The Lords agree without amendment to the Amendments made by the Commons to the Bus Services (No. 2) Bill [Lords].

12 Renters' Rights Bill

The Lords do not insist on their Amendments to the Renters' Rights Bill, to which the Commons have disagreed with Reasons, they agree without amendment to Amendments proposed by the Commons in lieu of certain Lords Amendments and propose certain Amendments in lieu, to which they desire the agreement of the Commons.

Printing of Lords Messages

13 Renters' Rights Bill

* This item has been corrected since publication. See the Votes and Proceedings relating to Thursday 16 October 2025.

Lords Message relating to the Bill to be considered tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 296).

Changes to Notices Given

14 Football (Gender Inequality) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 17 October, read and discharged.

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

15 Youth Mobility Scheme (EU Countries) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 17 October, read and discharged.

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

16 Transport (Duty to Cooperate) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 17 October, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 31 October.

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).

17 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Compensation for Miscarriages of Justice (Alteration of Overall Compensation Limits) Order 2025)

Members: Jess Asato, Jess Brown-Fuller, Torcuil Crichton, Alex Davies-Jones, Jonathan Hinder, Ben Maguire, Alex Mayer, Dr Kieran Mullan, Ben Obese-Jecty, Peter Prinsley, Jake Richards, Mrs Sarah Russell, Naz Shah, Rachel Taylor, Bradley Thomas, Melanie Ward and Mike Wood

18 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Companies (Directors' Report) (Payment Reporting) Regulations 2025)

Members: Phil Brickell, Mr Luke Charters, Daisy Cooper, Gareth Davies, Jim Dickson, Graeme Downie, Dame Nia Griffith, Alison Griffiths, Damian Hinds, Jayne Kirkham, Gen Kitchen, Blair McDougall, Charlie Maynard, Navendu Mishra, Rebecca Paul, Michael Payne and Tony Vaughan

19 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (Definition of Relevant Land) (Amendment) Order 2025)

Members: Fleur Anderson, David Baines, Lizzi Collinge, Liam Conlon, Damien Egan, Tim Farron, Olly Glover, Sarah Hall, Patrick Hurley, Afzal Khan, Keir Mather, Jerome Mayhew, Jack Rankin, Greg Smith, Adam Thompson, Imogen Walker and Sir John Whittingdale

20 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Financial Services (Overseas Recognition Regime Designations) Regulations 2025)

Members: Luke Akehurst, Mr Calvin Bailey, Danny Beales, Daisy Cooper, Jen Craft, Mark Ferguson, Mark Garnier, Lloyd Hatton, John Lamont, Andy MacNae, Joani Reid, Mr Joshua Reynolds, Lucy Rigby, Michelle Scrogam, Blake Stephenson, Alistair Strathern and James Wild

21 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Control of Mercury (Enforcement) (Amendment) Regulations 2025)

Members: Jas Athwal, Ms Polly Billington, Chris Bloore, Aphra Brandreth, Maureen Burke, Chris Curtis, Sarah Dyke, Tim Farron, Sir Ashley Fox, Ben Goldsborough, Emma Hardy, Robbie Moore, Chris Murray, Josh Newbury, Tom Rutland, Robin Swann and Imogen Walker

*Select Committees: Reports***22 Energy Security and Net Zero Committee**

The cost of energy: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 736) (Bill Esterson).

23 Environmental Audit Committee

- (1) *Airport expansion and climate and nature targets*: Fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 831);
- (2) *Correspondence from the Chief Secretary to the Treasury relating to the environmental impacts of the Spending Review*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Governing the Marine Environment* Written evidence, to be published (HC551)
(Mr Toby Perkins).

24 Health and Social Care Committee

- (1) *Food and weight management*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1181);
- (2) *Community mental health services*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 566);
- (3) *Correspondence from the Department*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *NHS Dentistry: follow up*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1179);
- (5) *The first 1000 Days: a renewed focus*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 802)
(Layla Moran).

25 Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee

Correspondence from the Community Infrastructure Levy Injustice Group relating to the Community Infrastructure Levy: Written evidence, to be published (Florence Eshalomi).

26 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

- (1) *Forced Labour in UK Supply Chains*:
 - (i) *Forced Labour in UK Supply Chains: Government Response*: Fifth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1404);
 - (ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 633);
- (2) *Correspondence from the Minister for Victims and Violence Against Women and Girls relating to the introduction of the Hillsborough Law*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Justice, Baroness Levitt, relating to weddings reform*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State for Education relating to adoption records*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State for Justice*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (6) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State for the Home Department relating to Article 8 of the ECHR*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (7) *Transnational repression in the UK*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 681)
(Sir Desmond Swayne).

27 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

- (1) *The environmental situation at Lough Neagh*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1323);
- (2) *Correspondence with the Department for Work and Pensions relating to reciprocal disregards for compensation payees*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Economic growth in Northern Ireland: new and emerging sectors*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1193);

(4) *The Government's new approach to addressing the legacy of the past in Northern Ireland*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 586);

(5) *The surveillance of journalists and press freedoms in NI*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 650)

(Tonia Antoniazzi).

28 Procedure Committee

(1) *Proxy voting: Review of arrangements introduced in Session 2024–25: Government Response*: Third Special Report, to be printed (HC 1353);

(2) *Call lists*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 536);

(3) *Elections within the House of Commons*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 535);

(4) *Sub judice resolution in the House of Commons*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 933)

(Cat Smith).

29 Scottish Affairs Committee

(1) *GB Energy and the net zero transition*:

(i) *The future of Scotland's oil and gas industry*: Fourth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 459);

(ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 459);

(2) *The financing of the Scottish Government: Government Response*: Third Special Report, to be printed (HC 1357);

(3) *Proposed STV cuts*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1398)

(Patricia Ferguson).

30 Speaker's Conference

Speaker's Conference on the security of candidates, MPs and elections:

(i) Second Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1303);

(ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 570)

(The Speaker).

31 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

(1) Thirty-fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 291-xxxv);

(2) *Scrutinising Statutory Instruments: Departmental Returns, October 2024–September 2025*: First Special Report, to be printed (HC 1342)

(Sir Bernard Jenkin).

32 Transport Committee

Licensing of taxis and private hire vehicles: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1224) (Ruth Cadbury).

33 Treasury Committee

AI in financial services: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 684) (Dame Meg Hillier).

34 Work and Pensions Committee

* This item has been corrected since publication. See the Votes and Proceedings relating to Monday 20 October 2025.

(1) *Pensioner Poverty: challenges and mitigations: Government Response*: Fourth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1384);

(2) *Get Britain Working: Pathways to Work: Government Response*: Fifth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1385);

(3) *Social Security Advisory Committee*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1337);

(4) *Correspondence from the Minister for Social Security and Disability relating to the Timms Review*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to a change in the Department's responsibilities*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Get Britain Working: Pathways to work*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 837);

(7) *Local Housing Allowance and other benefit-related matters*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1009)

(Debbie Abrahams).

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 Knife crime

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the matter of knife crime.—(*Lee Anderson*.)

Neil Coyle, Member for Bermondsey and Old Southwark, having persistently defied the authority of the Chair, the Chair ordered him to withdraw from the sitting (Standing Order No. 10(11)).

Accordingly, the Member withdrew from the sitting.

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of knife crime.

2 Access to community helipads in rural areas

Resolved, That this House has considered access to community helipads in rural areas.—(*Mr Angus MacDonald*.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.25 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Reforming the educational assessment system

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the matter of reforming the educational assessment system.—(*Josh Dean.*)

The Chair announced a time limit on backbench speeches (under the authority of the Chairman of Ways and Means and Standing Order No. 47(1)).

At 4 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

4 Potential merits of issuing guidance on tree maintenance to local authorities

Resolved, That this House has considered the potential merits of issuing guidance on tree maintenance to local authorities.—(*Esther McVey.*)

5 Healthcare in Bolton

Resolved, That this House has considered healthcare in Bolton.—(*Kirith Entwistle.*)

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

Adjourned at 5.16 pm until tomorrow.

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Immigration

Draft Immigration Skills Charge (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Shabana Mahmood)

2 Infrastructure Planning

Draft Infrastructure Planning (Business or Commercial Projects) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Matthew Pennycook)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

3 Veterinary Surgeons

Veterinary Surgeons (Recognition of University Degree) (Harper and Keele) Order of Council 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 1082), dated 13 October 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Wes Streeting)

Other papers**4 National Audit**

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department of Health and Social Care: Costs of clinical negligence (by Act), to be printed (HC 1335) (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
Ben Lake	1 September	20 October	Liz Saville Roberts

CORRECTION

Tuesday 14 October 2025

Item 25 (Select Committees: Reports) should have read:

Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee

(1) *The Funding and Sustainability of Local Government Finance: Government Response: Fifth Special Report*, to be published (HC 1355);

(2) *Housing conditions in England*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1154);

(3) *Affordability of homes ownership*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1208);

(4) *Correspondence with the Minister for Housing and Planning relating to Community Infrastructure Levy*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Grenfell and building safety*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 780);

(6) *Property management companies*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 980)

(Florence Eshalomi).