

Wednesday 29 October 2025

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Wales
 - (2) the Prime Minister
- 2 Urgent Questions: (1) Gaza and Hamas (Mr Hamish Falconer)
 - (2) Asylum seekers: Ministry of Defence housing (Alex Norris)
- 3 Statement: UK-Türkiye Typhoon Fighter export deal (Luke Pollard)
- 4 European Convention on Human Rights (withdrawal): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Motion made and Question proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the United Kingdom to withdraw from the European Convention on Human Rights; and to make further provision in connection with the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from that Convention.—(Nigel Farage.)

Motion opposed (Standing Order No. 23(1)).

Question put.

The House divided.

Division No. 331

Ayes: 96 (Tellers: Sir John Whittingdale, Danny Kruger) Noes: 154 (Tellers: Wendy Chamberlain, Claire Young)

Question negatived.

5 Business of the House (Today)

Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, notwithstanding the practice of the House on when a motion relating to a matter of privilege is taken, the motion in the name of Sir Alan Campbell relating to Privileges may be taken after the conclusion of proceedings on the Sentencing Bill; the Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on that motion not later than one hour after their commencement; such Questions shall include the Questions on any Amendments selected by the Speaker which may then be moved; the business may be proceeded with, though opposed, after the moment of interruption; and Standing Order No. 41A (Deferred divisions) shall not apply.—(Sir Alan Campbell.)

6 Sentencing Bill: Consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Committee of the whole House

New Clause NC1—(Mr Peter Bedford)—brought up and read the first time.

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

The House divided.

Division No. 332

Ayes: 170 (Tellers: Jerome Mayhew, Nick Timothy)

Noes: 328 (Tellers: Stephen Morgan, 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, 16 September).

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

(1) That New Clause NC12 be added to the Bill (New Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(Jess Brown-Fuller.)

The House divided.

Division No. 333

Ayes: 82 (Tellers: Zöe Franklin, Claire Young)

Noes: 314 (Tellers: Stephen Morgan, Taiwo Owatemi)

Question negatived.

(2) That New Clause NC19 be added to the Bill (New Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(Dr Kieran Mullan.)

The House divided.

Division No. 334

Ayes: 173 (Tellers: David Reed, Nick Timothy)

Noes: 323 (Tellers: Stephen Morgan, Taiwo Owatemi)

Question negatived.

(3) That New Clause NC20 be added to the Bill (New Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(Dr Kieran Mullan.)

The House divided.

Division No. 335

Ayes: 182 (Tellers: David Reed, Nick Timothy)

Noes: 311 (Tellers: Taiwo Owatemi, Stephen Morgan)

Question negatived.

Consideration completed.

7 Sentencing Bill: Third Reading

Motion made and Question put, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The House divided.

Division No. 336

Ayes: 321 (Tellers: Taiwo Owatemi, Stephen Morgan)

Noes: 103 (Tellers: David Reed, Nick Timothy)

Question agreed to and Bill passed.

8 Privileges

Resolved, That this House—

agrees with the Committee of Privileges in its First Report of Session 2024–26, Matter referred on 14 July 2025: Omagh Bombing Inquiry;

welcomes the acknowledgement in the Petition from the Secretary of the Inquiry that the Inquiry has taken advice on the application of Article 9 of the Bill of Rights to its proceedings and will be mindful of the privileges of the House;

notes the assurance given by the Inquiry that it will handle material provided to it by the House in accordance with its disclosure protocol;

and accordingly orders that the unpublished transcript of unreported evidence taken by the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee on 11 November 2009 be provided to the Omagh Bombing Inquiry and that the Inquiry shall have power to disclose or publish it if it thinks fit to do so, after taking relevant advice.—(Sir Alan Campbell.)

9 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Private International Law (Implementation of Agreements) Act 2020 (Extension of Operative Period) Regulations 2025, which were laid before this House on 2 September, be approved.—(Gen Kitchen.)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Football Governance Act 2025 (Specified Competitions) Regulations 2025, which were laid before this House on 13 October, be approved.—(Gen Kitchen.)

Question agreed to.

10 Adjournment

Subject: Government support for the offshore wind supply chain in Tyneside (Mary Glindon)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Gen Kitchen.)

Adjourned at 7.39 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Lords Messages

11 Employment Rights Bill

The Lords insist on certain Amendments to the Employment Rights Bill, for which they assign their reason; they insist on certain Lords Amendments and disagree to a Commons Amendment; they do not insist on certain Lords Amendments but propose Amendments in lieu to which they desire the agreement of the Commons; they agree with the

Commons in certain Amendments in lieu of Lords Amendments; they do not insist on certain Lords Amendments; and they agree with the Commons in their Amendments to a certain Lords Amendment.

Printing of Lords Messages

12 Employment Rights Bill

Lords Message in relation to the Employment Rights Bill to be considered tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 322).

Changes to Notices Given

13 Vehicle Registration Offences (Review) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 31 October, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 November.

14 Pets (Microchips) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 31 October, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 November.

15 Women, Peace and Security Bill [Lords]

Order for Second Reading on Friday 31 October, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 November.

16 Public Procurement (British Goods and Services) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 31 October, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 November.

17 Young Carers (Educational and Employment Support) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 31 October, read and discharged.

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

18 Agricultural Land (Planning) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 31 October, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 November.

19 Housing Estates Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 31 October, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 November.

20 Fireworks Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 31 October, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 November.

21 Courts (Remote Hearings) Bill: Adjourned debate on Third Reading [11 July]

Order for resuming on Friday 31 October the adjourned debate on the Question proposed on 11 July, That the Bill be now read the third time, read and discharged.

Debate to be resumed on Friday 28 November.

General Committees: Reports

22 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee

Sir Edward Leigh (Chair) reported the draft Broadcasting (Regional Programme-making and Original Productions) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 and the draft Broadcasting (Independent Productions) Regulations 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).

23 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Environmental Protection (Wet Wipes Containing Plastic) (England) Regulations 2025)

Members: Lewis Atkinson, Aphra Brandreth, Lizzi Collinge, Sarah Dyke, Tim Farron, Mr Paul Foster, Sir Ashley Fox, Emma Hardy, Dr Neil Hudson, Sir Bernard Jenkin, Catherine McKinnell, Tristan Osborne, Andrew Pakes, Gurinder Singh Josan, Henry Tufnell, Matt Turmaine and Imogen Walker

24 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Trade Act 2021 (Power to Implement International Trade Agreements) (Extension of Expiry) Regulations 2025)

Members: Dr Scott Arthur, Mr Jonathan Brash, Chris Bryant, Nesil Caliskan, Irene Campbell, Daisy Cooper, Josh Dean, Andrew Griffith, Alison Griffiths, Kerry McCarthy, Sarah Olney, Rebecca Paul, Dr Jeevun Sandher, Mark Sewards, Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst, Dr Lauren Sullivan and Fred Thomas

25 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Motor Fuel Price (Open Data) Regulations 2025)

Members: Mr Bayo Alaba, Edward Argar, Rachel Blake, Claire Coutinho, Harriet Cross, Emily Darlington, Marsha De Cordova, Tim Farron, Pippa Heylings, Alison Hume, Martin McCluskey, Jo Platt, Gregor Poynton, Sam Rushworth, David Taylor, Bradley Thomas and Chris Webb

26 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure (Security Requirements for Relevant Connectable Products) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2025)

Members: Callum Anderson, Antonia Bance, Markus Campbell-Savours, Lewis Cocking, Victoria Collins, Peter Fortune, Jodie Gosling, Lincoln Jopp, Connor Naismith, Kanishka Narayan, Taiwo Owatemi, Oliver Ryan, Tulip Siddiq, Dr Ben Spencer, Peter Swallow, Martin Wrigley and Yuan Yang

Select Committees: Reports

27 Culture, Media and Sport Committee

- (1) Children's tv and video content: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1338);
- (2) The work of the Department for Culture, Media and Sport: Written evidence, to be published (HC 330);
- (3) Correspondence with the Minister for Creative Industries, Media and Arts: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence with the Minister for Sport, Tourism, Civil Society and Youth: Written evidence, to be published

(Dame Caroline Dinenage).

28 Energy Security and Net Zero Committee

UK refineries and the role of oil and gas: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1206) (Bill Esterson).

29 Health and Social Care Committee

- (1) Healthy Ageing: physical activity in an ageing society: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1180);
- (2) Community Mental Health Services: Written evidence, to be published (HC 566);
- (3) Correspondence from the Minister for Care: Written evidence, to be published (Layla Moran).

30 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

- (1) Human rights and the regulation of AI: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1137);
- (2) Correspondence from the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice relating to the Sentencing Bill: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence from the Minister for Victims and Tackling Violence Against Women and Girls, Ministry of Justice, relating to the Victims and Courts Bill: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence from the Minister of State, Home Office (Lord Hanson of Flint) relating to the Border Security, Asylum and Immigration Bill: Written evidence, to be published (HC 789);
- (5) Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland relating to the Northern Ireland Troubles Bill: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1437);
- (6) Correspondence with the Home Secretary relating to the Home Office Article 8 Review: Written evidence, to be published;
- (7) *Transnational repression in the UK*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 681) (Sir Desmond Swayne).

31 National Security Strategy (Joint Committee on)

Espionage cases and the Official Secrets Acts: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1414) (Matt Western).

32 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

- (1) Local Growth Fund: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1415);
- (2) Economic growth in Northern Ireland: new and emerging sectors: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1193);
- (3) Policing and security in Northern Ireland: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1341);
- (4) The Government's new approach to addressing the legacy of the past in Northern Ireland: Written evidence, to be published (HC 586)

(Tonia Antoniazzi).

33 Procedure Committee

- (1) Sub judice resolution in the House of Commons: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 933);
- (2) *Elections within the House of Commons*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 535) (Cat Smith).

34 Public Accounts (Committee of)

Correspondence with The Crown Estate and HM Treasury relating to lease arrangements for Royal Lodge: Written evidence, to be published (Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown).

35 Scottish Affairs Committee

Industrial transition in Scotland: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 729) (Patricia Ferguson).

36 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Thirty-seventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 291-xxxvii) (Sir Bernard Jenkin).

37 Treasury Committee

Budget 2025: Child poverty: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1349) (Dame Meg Hillier).

38 Welsh Affairs Committee

Prisons, probation and rehabilitation in Wales: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 702) (Ruth Jones).

39 Women and Equalities Committee

- (1) Barriers to women and girls in sport: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1416);
- (2) Reproductive health conditions: girls and young women: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1265)

(Sarah Owen).

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 Funding for the International Baccalaureate in state schools

Resolved, That this House has considered funding for the International Baccalaureate in state schools.—(Olly Glover.)

The sitting was suspended between 10.51 am and 11 am.

2 Potential merits of banning plastic in wet wipes

Resolved, That this House has considered the potential merits of banning plastic in wet wipes.—(Fleur Anderson.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.24 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Government support for independent lifeboats

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered Government support for independent lifeboats.—(Paul Holmes.)

The sitting was suspended between 3.11 pm and 3.24 pm for a division in the House (Standing Order No. 10(3)).

Resolved, That this House has considered Government support for independent lifeboats.

4 Civil Justice Council's review of litigation funding

Resolved, That this House has considered the Civil Justice Council's review of litigation funding.—(Sir Julian Smith.)

5 Potential merits of a new standard for vehicle headlight glare

Resolved, That this House has considered the potential merits of a new standard for vehicle headlight glare.—(Peter Lamb.)

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

Adjourned at 5.27 pm until tomorrow.

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Capital Gains Tax

Post Office Capture Redress Scheme (Tax Exemptions and Relief) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 1130), dated 28 October 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Dan Tomlinson)

2 Insolvency

Carbon Dioxide Transport and Storage (Licensed Operators) Administration (England and Wales) Rules 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 1135), dated 23 October 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Ed Miliband)

3 Social Security

Social Security (Contributions) (Amendment No. 7) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 1132), dated 28 October 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Dan Tomlinson)

Other papers

4 Business and Trade

Department for Business and Trade Minute, dated 29 October 2025, concerning the notification of a contingent liability arising from support for Jaguar Land Rover (by Command) (Chris McDonald)

5 Climate Change

- (1) Carbon Budget and Growth Delivery Plan, with Technical Annex (by Act), to be printed (HC 1366) (Secretary Ed Miliband)
- (2) Government Response to the Report by the Climate Change Committee on progress in adapting to climate change (by Act), to be printed (HC 1413) (Secretary Emma Reynolds)
- (3) Government Response to the Report by the Climate Change Committee on progress in reducing emissions (by Act), to be printed (HC 1365) (Secretary Ed Miliband)

6 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department for Education: Home to school transport (by Act), to be printed (HC 1377) (Clerk of the House)