



# House of Commons

Wednesday 9 March 2022

## Votes and Proceedings

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The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

**1 Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority (Answer to Address)**

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That the Address of 31 January 2022, praying that Her Majesty will appoint Lea Paterson to the office of ordinary member of the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority for a period of five years from 14 March 2022 was presented to Her Majesty, who was graciously pleased to comply with the request.

**2 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland  
(2) the Prime Minister**

**3 Statements: (1) Ukraine update (Secretary Ben Wallace)  
(2) Russian oil import ban (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)**

**4 Pets (Microchips): 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 regarding pets with microchips; and for connected purposes;

That James Daly, Jim Shannon, James Grundy, Luke Pollard, Tom Tugendhat, Mark Logan, Lee Anderson, Aaron Bell, Chris Green, Craig Tracey, Robin Millar and Sally-Ann Hart present the Bill.

James Daly accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 18 March, and to be printed (Bill 278).

**5 Estimates Day (Standing Order No. 54(2), and Resolution, 2 March)**

(1) Supplementary Estimate 2021–22: Department for Education

Subject for debate: The spending of the Department for Education on the National Tutoring Programme and Adult Education

Motion made and Question proposed, That, for the year ending with 31 March 2022, for expenditure by the Department for Education:

(1) the resources authorised for current purposes be reduced by £484,799,000 as set out in HC 1152,

(2) the resources authorised for capital purposes be reduced by £385,099,000 as so set out, and

(3) the sum authorised for issue out of the Consolidated Fund be reduced by £29,468,000.—(*Amanda Solloway*.)

Debate concluded and Question deferred (Standing Order No. 54(4)).

## 6 Deferred Divisions

The Deputy Speaker announced the results of the Division which had been deferred to this day (Standing Order No. 41A).

That the draft Genetically Modified Organisms (Deliberate Release) (Amendment) Regulations 2022, which were laid before this House on 20 January, be approved.

Division No. 209

Ayes: 305

Noes: 2

Question accordingly agreed to.

## 7 Estimates Day (Standing Order No. 54(2), and Resolution, 2 March) (resumed)

(2) Supplementary Estimate 2021–22: Ministry of Defence

Motion made and Question proposed, That, for the year ending with 31 March 2022, for expenditure by the Ministry of Defence:

(1) further resources, not exceeding £7,167,368,000, be authorised for use for current purposes as set out in HC 1152, and

(2) the resources authorised for capital purposes be reduced by £67,644,000 as so set out.—(*Jeremy Quin*.)

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

Debate concluded and Question deferred (Standing Order No. 54(4)).

## 8 Supplementary Estimates (Questions deferred)

The following Questions were put forthwith (Standing Order No. 54(6)).

(1) Supplementary Estimate 2021–22: Department for Education (Question deferred, today)

That, for the year ending with 31 March 2022, for expenditure by the Department for Education:

(1) the resources authorised for current purposes be reduced by £484,799,000 as set out in HC 1152,

(2) the resources authorised for capital purposes be reduced by £385,099,000 as so set out, and

(3) the sum authorised for issue out of the Consolidated Fund be reduced by £29,468,000.

Question agreed to.

(2) Supplementary Estimate 2021–22: Ministry of Defence (Question deferred, today)

That, for the year ending with 31 March 2022, for expenditure by the Ministry of Defence:

(1) further resources, not exceeding £7,167,368,000, be authorised for use for current purposes as set out in HC 1152, and

(2) the resources authorised for capital purposes be reduced by £67,644,000 as so set out.

Question agreed to.

## 9 Remaining Estimates

The following Questions were put forthwith (Standing Order No. 55).

### (1) Supplementary Estimates 2021–22 (Navy) Vote A

That, during the year ending with 31 March 2022, modifications in the maximum numbers in the Reserve Naval and Marine Forces set out in Supplementary Votes A 2021–22, HC 981, be authorised for the purposes of Parts 1, 3, 4 and 5 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996.—(*Gareth Johnson.*)

Question agreed to.

### (2) Estimates 2022–23 (Navy) Vote A

That, during the year ending with 31 March 2023, a number not exceeding 39,550 all ranks be maintained for Naval and Marine Service and that numbers in the Reserve Naval and Marines Forces be authorised for the purposes of Parts 1, 3, 4, and 5 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996 up to the maximum numbers set out in Votes A 2022–23, HC 980.—(*Gareth Johnson.*)

Question agreed to.

### (3) Estimates 2022–23 (Army) Vote A

That, during the year ending with 31 March 2023, a number not exceeding 109,670 all ranks be maintained for Army Service and that numbers in the Reserve Land Forces be authorised for the purposes of Parts 1, 3, 4 and 5 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996 up to the maximum numbers set out in Votes A 2022–23, HC 980.—(*Gareth Johnson.*)

Question agreed to.

### (4) Estimates 2022–23 (Air) Vote A

That, during the year ending with 31 March 2023, a number not exceeding 36,500 all ranks be maintained for Air Force Service and that numbers in the Reserve Air Forces be authorised for the purposes of Parts 1, 3, 4 and 5 of the Reserve Forces Act 1996 up to the maximum numbers set out in Votes A 2022–23, HC 980.—(*Gareth Johnson.*)

Question agreed to.

### (5) Estimates, Excesses 2020–21

That, for the year ending with 31 March 2021:

resources, not exceeding £144,494,000, be authorised to make good excesses for use for current purposes as set out in Statements of Excesses 2020–21, HC 1006 and HC 1154.—(*Gareth Johnson.*)

Question agreed to.

### (6) Supplementary Estimates 2021–22

That, for the year ending with 31 March 2022:

(1) further resources, not exceeding £307,383,532,000, be authorised for use for current purposes as set out in HC 1005, HC 1120, HC 1135 and HC 1152,

(2) further resources, not exceeding £6,407,284,000 be authorised for use for capital purposes as so set out, and

(3) a further sum, not exceeding £21,485,755,000, be granted to Her Majesty to be issued by the Treasury out of the Consolidated Fund and applied for expenditure on the use of resources authorised by Parliament.—(*Gareth Johnson.*)

Question agreed to.

(7) Estimates, Vote on Account 2022–23

That, for the year ending with 31 March 2023:

(1) resources, not exceeding £351,632,860,000, be authorised, on account, for use for current purposes as set out in HC 1004, HC 1119, HC 1126, HC 1134, HC 1153, HC 1155 and HC 1159,

(2) resources, not exceeding £58,924,316,000, be authorised, on account, for use for capital purposes as so set out, and

(3) a sum, not exceeding £361,722,188,000, be granted to Her Majesty to be issued by the Treasury out of the Consolidated Fund, on account, and applied for expenditure on the use of resources authorised by Parliament.—(*Gareth Johnson.*)

Question agreed to.

**10 Supply and Appropriation (Anticipation and Adjustments) Bill: Motion to introduce a Bill**

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the foregoing Resolutions relating to Estimates, 2020–21, 2021–22 and 2022–23.

That the Chairman of Ways and Means, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Simon Clarke, Lucy Frazer, John Glen and Helen Whately introduce the Bill.

Lucy Frazer accordingly presented a Bill to authorise the use of resources for the years ending with 31 March 2021, 31 March 2022 and 31 March 2023; to authorise the issue of sums out of the Consolidated Fund for those years; and to appropriate the supply authorised by this Act for the years ending with 31 March 2021 and 31 March 2022.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 279).

**11 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval**

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Human Medicines (Amendments Relating to the Early Access to Medicines Scheme) Regulations 2022, which were laid before this House on 7 February, be approved.—(*Gareth Johnson.*)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Human Medicines (Coronavirus and Influenza) (Amendment) Regulations 2022, which were laid before this House on 7 February, be approved.—(*Gareth Johnson.*)

Question agreed to.

(3) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Energy Performance of Buildings (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2022, which were laid before this House on 31 January, be approved.—(*Gareth Johnson.*)

Question agreed to.

**12 Adjournment**

Subject: Role of car clubs and other shared transport in meeting Government policy objectives (Mr Ben Bradshaw)

*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Gareth Johnson.*)

Adjourned at 7.32 pm until tomorrow.

## Other Proceedings

### *Lords Messages*

#### **13 Public Service Pensions and Judicial Offices Bill [Lords]**

The Lords agree to the Amendments made by the Commons to the Public Service Pensions and Judicial Offices Bill [Lords] without amendment.

### *Changes to Notices Given*

#### **14 Firearms and Hate Crime Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 18 March, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 6 May.

### *General Committees: Reports*

#### **15 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee**

Julie Elliott (Chair) reported the draft Grants to the Churches Conservation Trust Order 2022.

#### **16 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee**

Mr Laurence Robertson (Chair) reported the draft Flood Reinsurance (Amendment) Regulations 2022.

#### **17 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee**

Mark Pritchard (Chair) reported the draft Combined Authorities (Borrowing) Regulations 2022.

### *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).*

#### **18 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Commissioner for Patient Safety (Appointment and Operation) (England) Regulations 2022)**

(1) Chair: Dr Rupa Huq

(2) Members: Apsana Begum, Sara Britcliffe, Maria Caulfield, Feryal Clark, Dr James Davies, Steve Double, Dr Luke Evans, Mr Louie French, Lilian Greenwood, Luke Hall, Jane Hunt, Darren Jones, Barbara Keeley, Sir Greg Knight, Bell Ribeiro-Addy, Graham Stringer and Sir Robert Syms

- 19 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (the Customs (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 109))**
- (1) Chair: Mrs Sheryll Murray
- (2) Members: Mr Steve Baker, Mr John Baron, Andrew Bridgen, Claire Coutinho, Geraint Davies, Clive Efford, Lucy Frazer, James Grundy, Stephen Hammond, Drew Hendry, Kim Johnson, Mrs Pauline Latham, Craig Mackinlay, Alan Mak, Abena Opong-Asare, Derek Twigg and Liz Twist
- 20 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Direct Payments to Farmers (Reductions) (England) Regulations 2022), (draft Agriculture (Financial Assistance) (Amendment) Regulations 2022) and (draft Agriculture (Lump Sum Payment) (England) Regulations 2022)**
- (1) Chair: Mr Philip Hollobone
- (2) Members: Ian Byrne, Miss Sarah Dines, Dame Angela Eagle, Mr Marcus Fysh, Barry Gardiner, Mary Glendon, Sir John Hayes, Kevin Hollinrake, Robin Millar, Dr Andrew Murrison, Victoria Prentis, Selaine Saxby, Zarah Sultana, Stephen Timms, Mr Shailesh Vara, Matt Warman and Daniel Zeichner
- 21 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Electricity Supplier Payments (Amendment) Regulations 2022)**
- (1) Chair: Yvonne Fovargue
- (2) Members: Stuart Anderson, Felicity Buchan, Dawn Butler, Ronnie Cowan, Mark Eastwood, Greg Hands, Antony Higginbotham, Dame Meg Hillier, Dan Jarvis, Gareth Johnson, John Lamont, Ian Levy, Marco Longhi, Jessica Morden, Gary Sambrook, Nick Smith and Dr Alan Whitehead
- 22 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Food and Feed Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2022)**
- (1) Chair: Christina Rees
- (2) Members: Steven Bonnar, Gareth Davies, Steve Double, Anna Firth, Katherine Fletcher, Mary Glendon, Sir Robert Goodwill, Sir Mark Hendrick, Tom Hunt, Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck, Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger, Chris Loder, Siobhain McDonagh, Mr Virendra Sharma, Maggie Throup, Mike Wood and Daniel Zeichner
- 23 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Flood Reinsurance (Amendment) Regulations 2022)**
- Members: Martin Docherty-Hughes discharged and Richard Thomson nominated in substitution.
- 24 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Combined Authorities (Borrowing) Regulations 2022)**
- Members: Neil O'Brien discharged and Stuart Andrew nominated in substitution.

### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 25 Environmental Audit Committee**
- (1) *Mapping the path to net zero*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 497);
- (2) *Net zero aviation and shipping*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 520) (Philip Dunne).

**26 European Scrutiny Committee**

(1) Nineteenth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 121-xviii);

(2) *Ministerial correspondence*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 121) (Sir William Cash).

**27 Home Affairs Committee**

(1) *Home Office policy on Ukrainian refugees*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1193);

(2) *State of the fire and rescue services*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1168) (Dame Diana Johnson).

**28 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)**

(1) *Protecting human rights in care settings*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 714);

(2) *Human Rights Act Reform*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1033);

(3) *Correspondence relating to applications for British nationality by eligible children*: Written evidence, to be published (Ms Harriet Harman).

**29 International Development Committee**

*Correspondence to the Prime Minister relating to disbursement of humanitarian aid to Ukraine*: Written evidence, to be published (Sarah Champion).

**30 International Trade Committee**

(1) *UK trade negotiations: Agreement with Australia*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1002);

(2) *Correspondence from the Chair of the Trade Remedies Authority relating to changes to the UK's trade remedies regime*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Levelling Up, the Union and Constitution relating to freeports*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy relating to the phasing out of Russian oil*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Trade and foreign policy*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 949); (Angus Brendan MacNeil).

**31 Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Committee**

(1) *The regulation of social housing*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 874);

(2) *Building safety: remediation and funding*: Part of written evidence, to be published (HC 1063)

(Mr Clive Betts).

**32 Procedure Committee**

*Presence of babies in the Chamber and Westminster Hall*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1062) (Karen Bradley).

**33 Public Accounts Committee**

(1) *Progress with trade negotiations*: Forty-fifth Report, to be printed, with formal minutes relating to the report (HC 993);

(2) *Use of evaluation and financial modelling in Government*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1055);

(3) *Correspondence with HM Treasury relating to the Whole of Government Accounts 2019–20 (WGA)*: Written evidence, to be published

(Dame Meg Hillier).

**34 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee**

*Pre-appointment hearing: Chair of UK Statistics Authority*: Written evidence to be published (HC 1162) (Mr William Wragg).

**35 Science and Technology Committee**

(1) *Reproducibility and research integrity*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 606);

(2) *The right to privacy: digital data*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1000);

(3) *UK science, research and technology capability and influence in global disease outbreaks*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 93)

(Greg Clark).

**36 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)**

Twenty-Seventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 56-xxvii) (Jessica Morden).

**37 Statutory Instruments (Select Committee on)**

Seventeenth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 57-xvii) (Jessica Morden).

**38 Transport Committee**

*Integrated Rail Plan*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 974) (Huw Merriman).

**39 Treasury Committee**

(1) *HM Treasury's role in combating fraud*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1156);

(2) *Future of financial services*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 147)

(Dame Angela Eagle).

**40 Welsh Affairs Committee**

(1) *The benefits system in Wales*: Fourth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 337);

(2) *One-off session with the First Minister of Wales*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1127)

(Ben Lake).

**41 Women and Equalities Committee**

*The rights of cohabiting partners*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 130) (Caroline Nokes).



**42 Work and Pensions Committee**

(1) *The cost of living*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1058);

(2) *Correspondence with the Minister for Welfare Delivery relating to Universal Credit and supported housing*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with the Permanent Secretary relating to the Guaranteed Minimum Pension*: Written evidence, to be published

(Stephen Timms).

*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 bus service improvement plans in the North West**

*Resolved*, That this House has considered funding for bus service improvement plans in the North West.—(*Charlotte Nichols*.)

*The sitting was suspended between 10.34 am and 11.00 am.*

**2 Transportation between sites in multi-hospital NHS Trusts**

*Resolved*, That this House has considered transportation between sites in multi-hospital NHS Trusts.—(*Caroline Ansell*.)

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

**3 Large solar farms**

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered large solar farms.—(*Brendan Clarke-Smith*.)

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)).

*Resolved*, That this House has considered large solar farms.

**4 Government support for allergy research and treatments**

*Resolved*, That this House has considered Government support for allergy research and treatments.—(*Christian Matheson*.)

*The sitting was suspended between 4.21 pm and 4.30 pm.*

**5 Smart road pricing**

*Resolved*, That this House has considered smart road pricing.—(*Elliot Colburn*.)

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

Adjourned at 5.21 pm until tomorrow.

*Eleanor Laing*

Chairman of Ways and Means

## Papers Laid

### Papers subject to Negative Resolution

**1 Corporation Tax**

Disregard and Bringing into Account of Profit and Losses on Derivative Contracts Hedging Acquisitions and Disposals of Shares Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 239), dated 7 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Lucy Frazer)

**2 Immigration**

Immigration (Restrictions on Employment and Residential Accommodation) (Prescribed Requirements and Codes of Practice) and Licensing Act 2003 (Personal and Premises Licences) (Forms), etc., Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 242), dated 7 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Priti Patel)

**3 Social Security**

Guardian's Allowance Up-rating Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 236), dated 8 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Mr Simon Clarke)

**4 Trade Unions**

Certification Officer (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 246), dated 8 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

### Other papers

**5 National Audit**

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Ministry of Defence: The Ajax programme (by Act), to be printed (HC 1142) (Clerk of the House)

## MEMORANDUM

Pursuant to Standing Order No. 118(1), the Speaker has rescinded the allocation of the following instruments, made on Wednesday 2 March, to the delegated legislation committee cited.

Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (the Customs (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 109)).

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## CORRECTIONS

19 October 2021

The following item should have appeared after item 12(1) in Papers Laid:

() Child protection in religious organisations and settings – Report of the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (by Act), to be printed (HC 705) (Secretary Priti Patel)

Friday 25 February 2022

Item 48 (Reports from Select Committees) should have read:

**Human Rights (Joint Committee on)**

(1) *Legislative Scrutiny: Nationality and Borders Bill (Part 5) – Modern slavery*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 964);

(2) *Legislative Scrutiny: Nationality and Borders Bill*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 588)

(Ms Harriet Harman).