

No.134



House of Commons

Tuesday 15 March 2022

Votes and Proceedings

No. 134

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

1 Private Bills: Highgate Cemetery Bill [Lords]: Consideration of Lords Amendments

Ordered, That the Lords Amendment be now considered.—(*The Chairman of Ways and Means.*)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 5A agreed to.

2 Questions to the Chancellor of the Exchequer

3 Urgent Question: Government stance on shale gas production (Greg Hands)

4 Statements: (1) Legal Aid (Secretary Dominic Raab)

(2) International travel (Secretary Grant Shapps)

5 Quad Bikes: Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require quad bike riders on public highways to wear helmets; to make provision about the registration of quad bikes; to make provision about the dangerous and anti-social use of quad bikes; and for connected purposes.

That Judith Cummins, Barbara Keeley, Nick Smith, Graham Stringer, Mrs Sharon Hodgson, Dan Jarvis, Yvonne Fovargue, Charlotte Nichols, Kate Green, Rosie Cooper, Jackie Doyle-Price and Naz Shah present the Bill.

Judith Cummins accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 6 May, and to be printed (Bill 281).

6 General Debate on Ukraine

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the situation in Ukraine.—(*James Cleverly.*)

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

Question put and agreed to.

7 Changes to membership of select committees

(1) *Ordered*, That Duncan Baker and David Johnston be discharged from the Backbench Business Committee and Chris Green and Jerome Mayhew be added.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(2) *Ordered*, That Brendan Clarke-Smith and Christian Wakeford be discharged from the Education Committee and Caroline Ansell and Anna Firth be added.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(3) *Ordered*, That James Daly and Laura Farris be discharged from the Home Affairs Committee and Lee Anderson and Matt

Vickers be added.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(4) *Ordered*, That James Daly be discharged from the Justice Committee and Matt Vickers be added.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(5) *Ordered*, That Taiwo Owatemi be discharged from the Petitions Committee and Marsha De Cordova be added.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(6) *Ordered*, That Mr Richard Holden and Gareth Bacon be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts and Mr Louie French and Angela Richardson be added.—(*Sir Bill Wiggin, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

8 Public petitions

(1) A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to the 236 bus between Glossop and Ashton was presented and read by Robert Largan.

(2) A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to the Great British

Railways headquarters was presented and read by David Morris.

9 Adjournment

Subject: Physical activity and health outcomes (Andrew Selous)

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

Adjourned at 7.24 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Lords Messages

10 Nationality and Borders Bill

The Lords agree to the Nationality and Borders Bill with Amendments to which they desire the agreement of the Commons.

Printing of Lords Amendments

11 Nationality and Borders Bill

Lords Amendments to the Nationality and Borders Bill to be considered tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 282) with Explanatory Notes (Bill 282–EN).

Private Business

12 Standing Orders Committee

(1) The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Standing Orders Committee that it had resolved, in respect of the High Speed Rail (Crewe - Manchester) Bill: That the following Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with: 4, 4A, 10, 10A, 11, 12, 12A, 13, 14, 15, 27, 27A, 29, 33, 34, 36, 39, 41, 42, 45 and 47.

The Resolution was agreed to.

(2) *Ordered*, That the Standing Orders Committee have leave to report evidence taken this day on the High Speed Rail (Crewe - Manchester) Bill.

(3) The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported evidence taken before the Standing Orders Committee on the High Speed Rail (Crewe - Manchester) Bill.

Evidence to be published.

Changes to Notices Given

13Dyslexia Screening Bill

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

Bill withdrawn.

14Asylum Seekers (Permission to Work) Bill

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

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

15Digital Devices (Access for Next of Kin) Bill

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

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

16 Co-operatives (Employee Company Ownership) Bill

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

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

17 Bereavement Leave and Pay (Stillborn and Miscarried Babies) Bill

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

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

18 Women Leaving Prison (Safe Accommodation) Bill

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

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

19 Maternity Services (Rural Areas) Bill

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

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

20 City of Bradford (Referendum on Shipley and Keighley) Bill

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

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

21 Button Batteries (Safety) Bill

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

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

22 Hen Caging (Prohibition) Bill

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

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

23 Social Media Platforms (Identity Verification) Bill

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

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

24 Microplastic Filters (Washing Machines) 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

25 Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure Bill Committee

Graham Stringer (Chair) reported:

(1) That the Committee had come to the following Resolution, That, subject to the discretion of the Chair, any written evidence received by the Committee shall be reported to the House for publication; and

(2) written evidence.

Written evidence to be published.

26 Third Delegated Legislation Committee

Mr Philip Hollobone (Chair) reported the draft Direct Payments to Farmers (Reductions) (England) Regulations 2022, the draft Agriculture (Financial Assistance) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 and the draft Agriculture (Lump Sum Payment) (England) 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).

27 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)

Members: Mr Marcus Fysh discharged and Ben Bradley nominated in substitution.

28Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Food and Feed Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2022)

Members: Sir Robert Goodwill discharged and Kevin Hollinrake nominated in substitution.

Reports from Select Committees

29Backbench Business Committee

Transcript of representations made on Tuesday 15 March to be published (Ian Mearns).

30Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

(1) *Legislative Reform (Renewal of Radio Licences) Order 2022*: Tenth Report, to be

printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1199), and including the following recommendations:

(i) That the affirmative procedure should apply to the draft Legislative Reform (Renewal of Radio Licences) Order 2022, which was laid before this House on 31 January 2022;

(ii) That the draft Legislative Reform (Renewal of Radio Licenses) Order 2022, which was laid before this House on 31 January 2022, should be made.

These recommendations were agreed without a division.

(2) *COVID loan fraud*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1190);

(3) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to Russian oil sanctions*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence with the Minister for Science, Research and Innovation relating to OneWeb satellites*: Written evidence, to be published

(Darren Jones).

31 Defence Committee

(1) *US, UK and NATO*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 608);

(2) *Correspondence from the Minister for Defence Procurement relating to the F-35B Lightning programme*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *The treatment of contracted staff for the MoD's ancillary services*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 275);

(4) *UK defence in the Indo-Pacific*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1109)

(Tobias Ellwood).

32 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

Russian disinformation: Oral evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Online Harms and Disinformation, to be published (HC 1201) (Julian Knight).

33 Education Committee

(1) *Education challenges facing children and young people from Gypsy, Roma and Traveller backgrounds*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 963);

(2) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to National Tutoring Programme data*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with Baroness Hallett relating to the terms of reference for the UK COVID inquiry*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *The future of post-16 qualifications*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 902)
(Robert Halfon).

34 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

(1) *Rural mental health*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 873);

(2) *Correspondence with the Minister for Farming, Fisheries and Food relating to the Joint Fisheries Statement*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with the Permanent Secretary relating to Defra's Supplementary Estimate Memorandum 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Labour shortages in the food and farming sector: Written evidence, to be published (HC 713)*

(Neil Parish).

35 European Statutory Instruments Committee

Twelfth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 937), and including the following recommendation:

That the affirmative procedure should apply to the instrument titled Goods Vehicles (Licensing of Operators) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2022, the proposal for which was laid before this House on 25 February 2022

(Liz Twist).

36 Finance Committee

Record of the Committee's decisions taken at its meeting on 15 March, to be published (Mr Nicholas Brown).

37 Foreign Affairs Committee

(1) *Use of strategic lawsuits against public participation*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1196);

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

(3) *Government policy on Afghanistan*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 685)

(Tom Tugendhat).

38 Health and Social Care Committee

(1) *The future of General Practice*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 892);

(2) *Cancer services*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 551);

(3) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State on care of people with learning disabilities and autism*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State on Immigration Health Surcharge*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence relating to children and young people's mental health*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *NHS litigation reform*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 740)

(Jeremy Hunt).

39 Justice Committee

(1) *Fraud and the Justice System*: Oral evidence and written evidence, to be published (HC 961);

(2) *Correspondence from the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister for Justice and Tackling Illegal Migration*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Justice*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence with Her Majesty's Courts and Tribunals Service*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *The future of legal aid*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 70)

(Sir Robert Neill).

40 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

(1) *Coronavirus Act 2020 Two Years On*: Seventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 978);

(2) *Propriety of governance in light of Greensill*: Oral evidence to be published (HC 59);

(3) *Common Framework Scrutiny: driver licensing*: Written evidence to be published (HC 1048);

(4) *Correspondence from the Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service and Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office relating to New Civil Service diversity and inclusion strategy 2022-25*: Written evidence to be published;

(5) *Pre-appointment Hearing: The First Civil Service Commissioner*: Written evidence to be published (HC 984)

(Mr William Wragg).

41 Scottish Affairs Committee

Airports in Scotland: Fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 601) (Pete Wishart).

42 Standards (Committee on)

(1) *All-Party Parliamentary Groups*: Part of oral evidence, to be published (HC 717);

(2) *Code of Conduct consultation*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 954)

(Chris Bryant).

43 Transport Committee

(1) *Correspondence from the Minister of State relating to major rail travel disruptions during severe weather*: Written evidence, to be published;

(2) *Fuelling the future: motive power and connectivity*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 973)

(Huw Merriman).

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 Commonwealth Day

Resolved, That this House has considered Commonwealth Day.—(*Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger.*)

2 Blackpool airport and the role of commercial passenger flights in levelling up

Resolved, That this House has considered Blackpool airport and the role of commercial passenger flights in levelling up.—(*Scott Benton.*)

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

3 Poor quality conditions and disrepair in private rented sector housing

Resolved, That this House has considered poor quality conditions and disrepair in private rented sector housing.—(Ian Byrne.)

4 BBC accountability and transparency to Government and licence fee payers

Resolved, That this House has considered BBC accountability and transparency to Government and licence fee payers.—(Mr Gregory Campbell.)

5 Role of Welsh local authorities in delivering public services and economic development

Resolved, That this House has considered the role of Welsh local authorities in delivering public services and economic development.—(Stephen Doughty.)

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

Adjourned at 5.22 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Bank Levy

Taxation of Banks (Amendments to the Corporation Tax Act 2009, Corporation Tax Act 2010 and Finance Act 2011) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 286), dated 14 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (John Glen)

2 Immigration

(1) Immigration and Nationality and Immigration Services Commissioner (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 296), dated 15 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Priti Patel)

(2) Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules (HC 1118) (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Priti Patel)

3 Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages

Marriages and Civil Partnerships (Approved Premises) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 295), dated 10 March 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

Other papers

4 Civil List

List of new and supplementary pensions granted under the Civil List Act 1972 (by Act) (Helen Whately)

5 Financial Services

Ring-fencing and Proprietary Trading Independent Review: Final Report (by Act) (John Glen)

6 Justice

(1) Government response to the criminal legal aid independent review and consultation on policy proposals (by Command) (CP 645) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

(2) Legal Aid Means Test Review (by Command) (CP 646) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

7 Law Commission

Report of the Law Commission on Electronic Trade Documents: Report and Bill (by Act), to be printed (HC 1188) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

8 Constitutional Law

Explanatory Memorandum to Social Security (Disability Assistance for Working Age People) (Consequential Amendments) Order 2022 (by Command) (Chloe Smith)

Withdrawn papers

9 Constitutional Law

Explanatory Memorandum to Social Security (Disability Assistance for Working Age People) (Consequential Amendments) Order 2022 (laid 25 February)