



House of Commons

Wednesday 19 October 2022

Votes and Proceedings

No. 55

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

1 Maternity and neonatal services in East Kent

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, That he will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the Report, entitled Reading the signals: Maternity and neonatal services in East Kent—the Report of the Independent Investigation.—(*Jacob Young*.)

2 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Wales

(2) the Prime Minister

3 Energy Costs (Pre-payment Meters and Social Tariffs): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish higher standing charges for customers with pre-payment meters; to require energy companies to provide social tariffs for low income customers; and for connected purposes;

That Kenny MacAskill, Neale Hanvey, Richard Burgon, Angus Brendan MacNeil, Mr Alistair Carmichael, Liz Saville Roberts, Margaret Ferrier and Alison Thewliss present the Bill.

Kenny MacAskill accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 24 March 2023, and to be printed (Bill 166).

4 Opposition Day: Leader of the Opposition (5th allotted day (Standing Order No. 14))

(1) Economic responsibility and a plan for growth

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House regrets the long-term damage to the economy as a direct result of the mini budget, where mortgage rates for households have risen and the stability of pension funds has come under threat; notes that despite substantial U-turns in policy since the mini budget, the Government's funding position has deteriorated, the cost of borrowing is expected to be higher for many years and the UK's fiscal credibility has been undermined, all while many energy producers continue to make record windfall profits; therefore calls on the Government to take all necessary steps to stabilise the economy and make it work for ordinary working people and business through a plan for growth that puts them at its heart; and further calls on the Government to publish the Office for Budget Responsibility forecasts immediately

alongside Government estimates of windfall profits for the next two years from energy producers in the UK.—(*Rachel Reeves.*)

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

Question put.

The House divided.

Division No. 65

Ayes: 223 (Tellers: Navendu Mishra, Gerald Jones)

Noes: 0 (Tellers: Mark Tami, Lilian Greenwood)

Question accordingly agreed to.

Resolved, That this House regrets the long-term damage to the economy as a direct result of the mini budget, where mortgage rates for households have risen and the stability of pension funds has come under threat; notes that despite substantial U-turns in policy since the mini budget, the Government's funding position has deteriorated, the cost of borrowing is expected to be higher for many years and the UK's fiscal credibility has been undermined, all while many energy producers continue to make record windfall profits; therefore calls on the Government to take all necessary steps to stabilise the economy and make it work for ordinary working people and business through a plan for growth that puts them at its heart; and further calls on the Government to publish the Office for Budget Responsibility forecasts immediately alongside Government estimates of windfall profits for the next two years from energy producers in the UK.

(2) Ban on Fracking for Shale Gas Bill

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House calls on the Government to introduce a ban on hydraulic fracking for shale gas; and makes provision as set out in this Order:

(1) On Tuesday 29 November 2022:

- (a) Standing Order No. 14(1) (which provides that government business shall have precedence at every sitting save as provided in that Order) shall not apply;
- (b) any proceedings governed by this Order may be proceeded with until any hour, though opposed, and shall not be interrupted;
- (c) the Speaker may not propose the question on the previous question, and may not put any question under Standing Order No. 36 (Closure of debate) or Standing Order No. 163 (Motion to sit in private);
- (d) at 3.00 pm, the Speaker shall interrupt any business prior to the business governed by this Order and call the Leader of the Opposition or another Member on his behalf to present a Bill concerning a ban on hydraulic fracking for shale gas of which notice of presentation has been given and immediately thereafter (notwithstanding the practice of the House) call a Member to move the motion that the Ban on Fracking for Shale Gas Bill be now read a second time as if it were an order of the House;
- (e) in respect of that Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time;
- (f) any proceedings interrupted or superseded by this Order may be resumed or (as the case may be) entered upon and proceeded with after the moment of interruption.

(2) The provisions of paragraphs (3) to (18) of this Order shall apply to and in connection with the proceedings on the Ban on Fracking for Shale Gas Bill in the present Session of Parliament.

Timetable for the Bill on Tuesday 29 November 2022

(3)(a) Proceedings on Second Reading and in Committee of the whole House, any proceedings on Consideration and proceedings up to and including Third Reading shall be taken at the sitting on Tuesday 29 November 2022 in accordance with this Order.

(b) Proceedings on Second Reading shall be brought to a conclusion (so far as not previously concluded) at 5.00 pm.

(c) Proceedings in Committee of the whole House, any proceedings on Consideration and proceedings up to and including Third Reading shall be brought to a conclusion (so far as not previously concluded) at 7.00 pm.

Timing of proceedings and Questions to be put on Tuesday 29 November 2022

(4) When the Bill has been read a second time:

(a) it shall, notwithstanding Standing Order No. 63 (Committal of bills not subject to a programme Order), stand committed to a Committee of the whole House without any Question being put;

(b) the Speaker shall leave the Chair whether or not notice of an Instruction has been given.

(5)(a) On the conclusion of proceedings in Committee of the whole House, the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question.

(b) If the Bill is reported with amendments, the House shall proceed to consider the Bill as amended without any Question being put.

(6) For the purpose of bringing any proceedings to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph (3), the Chairman or Speaker shall forthwith put the following Questions in the same order as they would fall to be put if this Order did not apply—

(a) any Question already proposed from the Chair;

(b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed;

(c) the Question on any amendment, new clause or new schedule selected by The Chairman or Speaker for separate decision;

(d) the Question on any amendment moved or Motion made by a designated Member;

(e) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded; and shall not put any other Questions, other than the Question on any motion described in paragraph (15) of this Order.

(7) On a Motion made for a new Clause or a new Schedule, the Chairman or Speaker shall put only the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill.

Consideration of Lords Amendments and Messages on a subsequent day

(8) If on any future sitting day any message on the Bill (other than a message that the House of Lords agrees with the Bill without amendment or agrees with any message from this House) is expected from the House of Lords, this House shall not adjourn until that message has been received and any proceedings under paragraph (9) have been concluded.

(9) On any day on which such a message is received, if a designated Member indicates to the Speaker an intention to proceed to consider that message—

(a) notwithstanding Standing Order No. 14(1) any Lords Amendments to the Bill or any further Message from the Lords on the Bill may be considered forthwith without

any Question being put; and any proceedings interrupted for that purpose shall be suspended accordingly;

(b) proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments or on any further Message from the Lords shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour after their commencement; and any proceedings suspended under subparagraph (a) shall thereupon be resumed;

(c) the Speaker may not propose the question on the previous question, and may not put any question under Standing Order No. 36 (Closure of debate) or Standing Order No. 163 (Motion to sit in private) in the course of those proceedings.

(10) Paragraphs (2) to (7) of Standing Order No. 83F (Programme Orders: conclusion of proceedings on consideration of Lords amendments) apply for the purposes of bringing any proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments to a conclusion as if:

(a) any reference to a Minister of the Crown were a reference to a designated Member;

(b) after paragraph (4)(a) there is inserted—

“(aa) the question on any amendment or motion selected by the Speaker for separate decision;”.

(11) Paragraphs (2) to (5) of Standing Order No. 83G (Programme Orders: conclusion of proceedings on further messages from the Lords) apply for the purposes of bringing any proceedings on consideration of a Lords Message to a conclusion as if any reference to a Minister of the Crown were a reference to a designated Member.

Reasons Committee

(12) Paragraphs (2) to (6) of Standing Order No. 83H (Programme Orders: reasons committee) apply in relation to any committee to be appointed to draw up reasons after proceedings have been brought to a conclusion in accordance with this Order as if any reference to a Minister of the Crown were a reference to a designated Member.

Miscellaneous

(13) Standing Order No. 82 (Business Committee) shall not apply in relation to any proceedings on the Bill to which this Order applies.

(14)(a) No Motion shall be made, except by a designated Member, to alter the order in which any proceedings on the Bill are taken, to recommit the Bill or to vary or supplement the provisions of this Order.

(b) No notice shall be required of such a Motion.

(c) Such a Motion may be considered forthwith without any Question being put; and any proceedings interrupted for that purpose shall be suspended accordingly.

(d) The Question on such a Motion shall be put forthwith; and any proceedings suspended under sub-paragraph (c) shall thereupon be resumed.

(e) Standing Order No. 15(1) (Exempted business) shall apply to proceedings on such a Motion.

(15)(a) No dilatory Motion shall be made in relation to proceedings on the Bill to which this Order applies except by a designated Member.

(b) The Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

(16) Proceedings to which this Order applies shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

(17) No private business may be considered at any sitting to which the provisions of this Order apply.

(18)(a) The start of any debate under Standing Order No. 24 (Emergency debates) to be held on a day on which proceedings to which this Order applies are to take place shall be postponed until the conclusion of any proceedings to which this Order applies.

(b) Standing Order 15(1) (Exempted business) shall apply in respect of any such debate.

(19) In this Order, "a designated Member" means—

(a) the Leader of the Opposition; and

(b) any other Member acting on behalf of the Leader of the Opposition.

(20) This Order shall be a Standing Order of the House.—(*Edward Miliband.*)

Amendment moved, to leave out from 'Government' to the end of the Question and add 'to consult to ensure there is a robust system of local consent, and clear advice on seismic limits and safety, before any hydraulic fracturing for shale gas may take place; and believes that such consultation must consider how the views of regional mayors, local authorities and parishes should be reflected as well as the immediate concerns of those most directly affected.'—(*Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg.*)

Question proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question (Standing Order No. 31(2)).

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

Sir Alan Campbell claimed to move the closure (Standing Order No. 36).

Question put, That the Question be now put.

Question agreed to and main Question accordingly put.

The House divided.

Division No. 66

Ayes: 230 (Tellers: Lilian Greenwood, Jessica Morden)

Noes: 326 (Tellers: Amanda Solloway, Mark Jenkinson)

Question accordingly negatived.

Question put, That the proposed words be there added.

Question agreed to.

Main Question, as amended, put and agreed to.

Resolved, That this House calls on the Government to consult to ensure there is a robust system of local consent, and clear advice on seismic limits and safety, before any hydraulic fracturing for shale gas may take place; and believes that such consultation must consider how the views of regional mayors, local authorities and parishes should be reflected as well as the immediate concerns of those most directly affected.

5 Business of the House (Supplementary Estimates and Supply and Appropriation (Adjustments) Bill)

That, at the sitting on Monday 24 October—

(1) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 55 (Questions on voting of estimates, etc), the Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on any Motion in the name of Andrew Griffith relating to Out-of-Turn Supplementary Estimates not later than two hours after their commencement;

(2) if a Bill founded upon a Resolution agreed under paragraph (1) is then brought in, a Motion may be made without notice by a Minister of the Crown, That the Bill be now read a second time; and

(3) proceedings under this Order may continue though opposed after the moment of interruption and Standing Order No. 41A (Deferred divisions) shall not apply.—(*Darren Henry.*)

6 Statutory Instruments: Motion for Approval

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Sanctions (Damages Cap) Regulations 2022, which were laid before this House on 20 July, be approved.—(*Darren Henry.*)

Question agreed to.

7 Adjournment

Subject: Air quality in Towcester (Andrea Leadsom)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Darren Henry.*)

Adjourned at 7.45 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

8 Financial Services and Markets Bill Committee

Mr Virendra Sharma (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.

9 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee

Julie Elliott (Chair) reported the draft Terrorism Act 2000 (Alterations to the Search Powers Code for England and Wales and Scotland) Order 2022.

10 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee

Judith Cummins (Chair) reported the draft Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) Accessibility Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022.

11 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee

Yvonne Fovargue (Chair) reported the draft Digital Government (Disclosure of Information) (Amendment) Regulations 2022.

12 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee

Mr Laurence Robertson reported the the draft Merchant Shipping (Additional Safety Measures for Bulk Carriers) Regulations 2022 and the draft Merchant Shipping (High Speed Craft) Regulations 2022.

*Speaker's Conference: Appointments***13 Speaker's Conference**

Chairman: Sir Lindsay Hoyle

Vice-Chairmen: Dame Tracey Crouch and Wayne David

Members: Sir Graham Brady, Wendy Chamberlain, Clive Efford, Julie Elliott, Florence Eshalomi, Laura Farris, Marion Fellows, Mark Harper, Andrew Jones, Paul Maynard, Dame Maria Miller and Mary Robinson

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).

14 Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill Committee

(1) Chairs: Hannah Bardell, Sir Christopher Chope, Julie Elliott and Mr Laurence Robertson

(2) Members: Lee Anderson, Caroline Ansell, Liam Byrne, Virginia Crosbie, James Daly, Jackie Doyle-Price, Dame Margaret Hodge, Eddie Hughes, Jane Hunt, Stephen Kinnock, Seema Malhotra, Jessica Morden, Gavin Newlands, Lia Nici, Jane Stevenson, Alison Thewliss and Tom Tugendhat

15 Pensions Dashboard (Prohibition of Indemnification) Bill Committee

(1) Chair: Mr Virendra Sharma

(2) Members: Alan Brown, Alex Burghart, Chris Clarkson, Rosie Cooper, Richard Graham, Chris Green, Kate Hollern, David Johnston, Andrew Lewer, David Linden, Steve McCabe, Christian Matheson, Guy Opperman, Mary Robinson, Nick Smith, Maggie Throup and Mrs Heather Wheeler

16 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Airports Slot Allocation (Alleviation of Usage Requirements) (No. 3) Regulations 2022)

(1) Chair: Mr Laurence Robertson

(2) Members: Miriam Cates, Maria Caulfield, Simon Fell, Colleen Fletcher, Katherine Fletcher, Jo Gideon, Mrs Helen Grant, James Grundy, Mr Mark Harper, Mike Kane, Tony Lloyd, Marco Longhi, Damien Moore, Gavin Newlands, Kate Osamor, Yasmin Qureshi and Mr Barry Sheerman

17 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Water Fluoridation (Consultation) (England) Regulations 2022 and draft Health and Care Act 2022 (Further Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2022)

(1) Chair: Peter Dowd

(2) Members: Ms Diane Abbott, Siobhan Baillie, Duncan Baker, Paula Barker, Steven Bonnar, Dan Carden, Feryal Clark, Mrs Flick Drummond, Chris Green, Lilian Greenwood, Kevin Hollinrake, Sir Greg Knight, John McDonnell, Will Quince, Amanda Solloway, Shailesh Vara and Dr Jamie Wallis

18 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Merchant Shipping (Safety Standards for Passenger Ships on Domestic Voyages) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2022)

(1) Chair: Esther McVey

(2) Members: Debbie Abrahams, Simon Baynes, Anthony Browne, Dame Caroline Dinenage, Colleen Fletcher, Nick Fletcher, Lucy Frazer, Richard Graham, Mike Kane, Robert Langan, Rebecca Long Bailey, Damien Moore, David Morris, Gavin Newlands, Douglas Ross, Lloyd Russell-Moyle and John Spellar

19 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Terrorism Act 2000 (Alterations to the Search Powers Code England and Wales and Scotland) Order 2022)

Members: Shaun Bailey discharged and Nicola Richards nominated in substitution.

20 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Crime (International Co-operation) Act 2003 (Designation of Participating Countries) (England, Wales and Northern Ireland) Order 2022)

(1) Chair: Clive Efford

(2) Members: Shaun Bailey, Hilary Benn, Paul Blomfield, Marsha De Cordova, Miss Sarah Dines, Steve Double, Richard Drax, Mr Philip Dunne, Chris Elmore, Emma Hardy, John Lamont, Holly Lynch, Andrew Selous, Alexander Stafford, Tom Tugendhat, Valerie Vaz and Sir Jeremy Wright

21 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Trade Marks (Amendment) Regulations 2022)

(1) Chair: David Mundell

(2) Members: Paula Barker, Sara Britcliffe, John Cryer, Mr Jonathan Djanogly, Martin Docherty-Hughes, Damian Green, Gordon Henderson, Chris Loder, Jessica Morden, Charlotte Nichols, Lia Nici, Dr Matthew Offord, Chi Onwurah, Dean Russell, Jane Stevenson, Derek Twigg and Mrs Heather Wheeler

22 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Digital Government (Disclosure of Information) (Amendment) Regulations 2022)

Members: Theo Clarke discharged and Alex Chalk nominated in substitution.

23 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Order 2022)

(1) Chair: Mr Virendra Sharma

(2) Members: Mr Richard Bacon, Aaron Bell, Kevin Brennan, Rob Butler, Ian Byrne, Jon Cruddas, Miss Sarah Dines, George Freeman, Margaret Greenwood, Dame Meg Hillier, Craig Mackinlay, Sarah Owen, Sir Mike Penning, Ellie Reeves, Julian Sturdy, Martin Vickers and Giles Watling

24 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Armed Forces (Covenant) Regulations 2022 and draft Armed Forces (Service Court Rules) (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules 2022)

(1) Chair: Hannah Bardell

(2) Members: Adam Afriyie, Stuart Anderson, Sarah Atherton, Mr Ben Bradshaw, Richard Burgon, Mark Eastwood, Chris Grayling, Luke Hall, Carolyn Harris, Mr Damian Hinds, Gerald Jones, Carol Monaghan, Anne Marie Morris, Luke Pollard, Nick Smith, Edward Timpson and Justin Tomlinson

25 Eighth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Exclusivity Terms for Zero Hours Workers (Unenforceability and Redress) Regulations 2022)

Members: Jane Stevenson and Laura Trott discharged and David Johnston nominated in substitution.

Select Committees: Reports

26 Defence, Foreign Affairs, International Development and International Trade Committee

Developments in UK Strategic Export Controls:

(i) First Joint Report, being the Fourth Report from the Defence Committee, the Fourth Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee, the Fourth Report from the International Development Committee and the Fifth Report from the International Trade Committee to be printed, with the Formal Minutes relating to the Report (HC 282);

(ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 282)

(Mark Garnier).

27 Draft Mental Health Bill (Joint Committee on)

Draft Mental Health Bill: Oral evidence to be published (HC 696) (Sir Charles Walker).

28 European Scrutiny Committee

(1) *The UK's EU representation: what has changed and how is it working?:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 123);

(2) *Correspondence with the Foreign Secretary relating to the EU's EUR-Lex database and the Northern Ireland Protocol:* Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with the Foreign Secretary relating to the first meeting of the 'European Political Community':* Written evidence, to be published

(Sir William Cash).

29 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

(1) *Legislative Scrutiny: Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill:* Sixth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 311);

(2) *Correspondence with the Home Secretary relating to the UK-Rwanda Migration and Economic Development Partnership:* Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media, and Sport relating to the Data Protection and Digital Information Bill:* Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Legislative Scrutiny: Bill of Rights Bill:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 611)

(Joanna Cherry).

30 International Trade Committee

(1) *The UK's international supply chains:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 760);

(2) *Correspondence from the Chair of the Trade Remedies Authority:* Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Trade and foreign policy:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 74);

(4) *UK trade negotiations:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 15);

(5) *UK trade negotiations: Agreement with the Gulf Cooperation Council*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 79);

(6) *UK trade negotiations: CPTPP accession*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 13) (Angus Brendan MacNeil).

31 Justice Committee

(1) *Women in Prison: Government Response to the Committee's First Report*: Fourth Special Report, to be printed (HC 802);

(2) *The work of the Serious Fraud Office*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 664);

(3) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Justice relating to HM Chief Inspector of Prison's Annual Report 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Criminal Bar Association strike action*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 675);

(5) *Imprisonment for Public Protection (IPP) sentences*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 266)

(Sir Robert Neill).

32 Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Committee

(1) *Exempt Accommodation*: Third Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes related to the Report (HC 21);

(2) *The Regulation of Social Housing: Regulators' responses to the Committee's First Report*: First Special Report, to be printed (HC 824);

(3) *Draft Strategy and Policy Statement for the Electoral Commission*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 672);

(4) *Correspondence with the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State relating to the Government's response to the Committee's First Report on the Regulation of Social Housing*: Written evidence, to be published

(Mr Clive Betts).

33 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

The work of the Department for International Trade in Northern Ireland: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 676) (Simon Hoare).

34 Procedure Committee

(1) *Proxy voting and the presence of babies in the Chamber and Westminster Hall: Government Response to the Committee's First Report*: First Special Report, to be printed, HC 691;

(2) *Written parliamentary questions: Departmental performance in Session 2021–22: Government Response to the Committee's Second Report*: Second Special Report, to be printed (HC 806);

(3) *Correcting the record*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 521)

(Karen Bradley).

35 Science and Technology Committee

(1) *My Science Inquiry*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 618);

(2) *Delivering nuclear power*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 626)

(Greg Clark).

36 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Thirteenth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 4-xiii) (Jessica Morden).

37 Transport Committee

Work of the Secretary of State for Transport: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 163) (Huw Merriman).

38 Treasury Committee

(1) *Appointment of David Roberts as Chair of Court, Bank of England*:

(i) Sixth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 784);

(ii) Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 784);

(2) *Autumn 2022 Fiscal Events*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 740);

(3) *Correspondence from the Chancellor of the Exchequer, relating to the Energy Markets Financing Scheme*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *HM Treasury Out of Turn Estimate Memorandum with Tables 2022–23*: Written evidence, to be published

(Mel Stride).

39 Welsh Affairs Committee

(1) *Nuclear energy in Wales*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 240);

(2) *Broadcasting in Wales*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 620);

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister for Intergovernmental Relations relating to an invitation to appear before the Committee*: Written evidence, to be published

(Stephen Crabb).

40 Women and Equalities Committee

(1) *The rights of cohabiting partners: Government Response to the Committee's Second Report*: Third Special Report, to be printed (HC 766);

(2) *Black maternal health: one off*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1232);

(3) *Menopause and the workplace*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 91);

(4) *Mental health of men and boys: follow up*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 90);

(5) *National Disability Strategy*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 241);

(6) *Pornography and its impact on violence against women and girls*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 87)

(Caroline Nokes).

41 Work and Pensions Committee

(1) *Children in poverty: Child Maintenance Service*: Oral and Written evidence, to be published (HC 130);

(2) *Correspondence from the Financial Conduct Authority relating to Protecting pension savers – five years on from the pensions freedoms: Saving for later life*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with Policy in Practice relating to Pension Credit take up*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence with the Chancellor of the Exchequer relating to the uprating of benefits in 2023*: Written evidence to be published;

(5) *Correspondence with the Financial Conduct Authority relating to the British Steel Pension Scheme redress scheme*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence with the National Audit Office relating to exempt accommodation*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Plan for Jobs and employment support*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 600) (Sir 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 The impact of retained EU law on the Scottish devolution settlement

Resolved, That this House has considered the impact of retained EU law on the Scottish devolution settlement.—(Brendan O'Hara.)

The sitting was suspended between 10.43 am and 11.00 am.

2 Energy support for off-grid homes

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered energy support for off-grid homes.—(Fay Jones.)

At 11.30 am, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

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

3 Transport in Nottinghamshire

Resolved, That this House has considered transport in Nottinghamshire.—(Tom Randall.)

The sitting was suspended between 3.46 pm and 4.00 pm.

4 Reform of the vehicle taxation system

The sitting was suspended between 4.01 pm and 4.15 pm for a division in the House (Standing Order No. 10(3)).

Resolved, That this House has considered reform of the vehicle taxation system.—(Wera Hobhouse.)

5 Apprenticeships and teacher training

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered apprenticeships and teacher training—(*Mr Richard Holden.*)

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 apprenticeships and teacher training.

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

Adjourned at 5.44 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Climate Change

Draft Climate Change (Targeted Greenhouse Gases) Order 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Jacob Rees-Mogg)

2 Exiting the European Union (Environmental Protection)

Draft Persistent Organic Pollutants (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Ranil Jayawardena)

3 Investigatory Powers

Draft Investigatory Powers (Covert Human Intelligence Sources and Interception: Codes of Practice) Regulations (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Suella Braverman)

4 Proceeds of Crime

Draft Proceeds of Crime (Money Laundering) (Threshold Amount) Order 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Suella Braverman)

5 Telecommunications

Draft Telecommunications Infrastructure (Leasehold Property) (Terms of Agreement) Regulations 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Julia Lopez)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

6 Civil Aviation

Air Navigation (Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation) (Amendment) Order 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1050), dated 12 October 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Anne-Marie Trevelyan)

7 Telecommunications

Telecommunications Infrastructure (Leasehold Property) (Conditions and Time Limits) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 1057), dated 17 October 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Julia Lopez)

8 Town and Country

Improving planning performance: Criteria for designation, with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Lee Rowley)

Papers laid under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018

9 Exiting the European Union (Environmental Protection)

Proposal for an instrument titled Control of Mercury (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022, with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary Ranil Jayawardena)

Other papers

10 Care

Report and Accounts of the Health Research Authority for 2021–22, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 659) (Robert Jenrick)

11 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Marine Strategy Part Two: UK updated monitoring programmes (by Command) (CP 748) (Secretary Ranil Jayawardena)

12 Health and Social Care

Return to an Address to His Majesty for a Return of the Report, dated 19 October 2022, of Reading the Signals: Maternity and Neonatal Services in East Kent – the Report of the Independent Investigation (pursuant to Resolution, today), to be printed (HC 681) (Dr Caroline Johnson)

13 Investigatory Powers

Draft Code of Practice on Interception of Communications (by Act) (Secretary Suella Braverman)

14 Justice

Report of the Prisons and Probation Ombudsman (by Command) (CP 738) (Secretary Brandon Lewis)

15 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Leadership development in the civil service for 2021–22, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 798) (Clerk of the House)

16 National Health Service

(1) Report and Accounts of East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation Trust for 2021–22 (by Act) (Secretary Thérèse Coffey)

(2) Report and Accounts of Warrington and Halton Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for 2021–22 (by Act) (Secretary Thérèse Coffey)

17 Regulation of Investigatory Powers

Draft Revised Code of Practice for Covert Human Intelligence Sources (by Act) (Secretary Suella Braverman)

18 UK Borders

(1) Report of the Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration: An inspection of Country of Origin Information, Afghanistan and China: June 2022 (by Act) (Secretary Suella Braverman)

(2) Report of the Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration: An inspection of the use of hotels for housing unaccompanied asylum-seeking children (UASC): March–May 2022 (by Act) (Secretary Suella Braverman)

Withdrawn papers

19 Town and Country

Improving planning performance: Criteria for designation, with an Explanatory Memorandum (laid 13 October 2022)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Voting by proxy

1. Variation of proxy voting arrangement

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), that Siobhan Baillie and Theo Clarke have given notice that they wish to vary their proxy vote arrangements. Their nominated proxy will be Jo Churchill on 19 October only, after which it will again be Craig Whittaker.