



House of Commons

Thursday 18 May 2023

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 9.30 am.

Prayers

1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Business and Trade

2 Business Question (Leader of the House)

3 Backbench Business

(1) Public access to nature

Resolved, That this House has considered public access to nature.—(*Caroline Lucas*.)

(2) Access to psilocybin treatments

Resolved, That this House welcomes the development of treatment options in mental health; further notes there have been no new pharmacological treatments for depression, with the exception of Esketamine, in over 30 years; recognises that psilocybin, a naturally occurring compound, has the potential to revolutionise the treatment of many of the world's most hard to treat psychiatric conditions such as depression, PTSD, OCD, addiction and anorexia nervosa; recognises that no review of the evidence for psilocybin's current status under UK law has ever been conducted; regrets that psilocybin is currently more controlled than heroin under the most stringent class and schedule under UK law which is significantly stalling research; and calls on the Government to take steps to conduct an urgent review of the evidence for psilocybin's current status as Schedule 1 under the Misuse of Drugs Regulations 2001 with a view to rescheduling, initially for research purposes only, in order to facilitate the development of new mental health treatments and enable human brain research for the benefit of researchers, patients and the life sciences sector in the UK, and to deliver His Majesty's Government's commitment to be world-leading in its approach, with evidence-led and data-driven interventions, and building the evidence base where necessary.—(*Charlotte Nichols*.)

4 Adjournment

Subject: Health services in Wantage and Didcot (David Johnston)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Julie Marson*.)

Adjourned at 3.32 pm until Monday 22 May.

Other Proceedings

Private Business

5 Holocaust Memorial Bill

* This item has been corrected since publication. See the correction in the Votes and Proceedings relating to Monday 22 May 2023

Mr Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to Order (23 February 2023), That, in the case of the Holocaust Memorial Bill, Standing Orders 4, 4A, 10, 11, 38, 39 are applicable and have not been complied with.

Report referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

General Committees: Reports

6 Data Protection and Digital Information (No. 2) Bill

Mr Philip Hollobone (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

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).

7 Energy Bill [Lords] Committee

Chairs: James Gray, Dr Rupa Huq, Caroline Nokes and Mr Virendra Sharma

8 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Register of Overseas Entities (Penalties and Northern Ireland Dispositions) Regulations 2023)

Chair: Dame Angela Eagle

Members: Jason McCartney discharged and Mark Eastwood nominated in substitution.

9 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (Energy Bills Discount Scheme Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 453), Energy Bills Discount Scheme (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 454), Energy Bills Discount Scheme (Non-Standard Cases) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 464), Energy Bills Discount Scheme Pass-Through Requirement Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 463) and Energy Bills Discount Scheme Pass-through Requirement (Heat Suppliers) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 455))

Chair: Mrs Pauline Latham

Members: Taiwo Owatemi discharged and Lilian Greenwood nominated in substitution.

10 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Medical Devices (Amendment) (Great Britain) Regulations 2023)

Chair: Graham Stringer

11 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Act 2007 (Extension of Duration of Non-jury Trial provisions) Order 2023)

Chair: Mrs Sheryll Murray

Members: Theo Clarke discharged and David Morris nominated in substitution.

12 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Packaging Waste (Data Reporting) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023)

Chair: Sir Gary Streeter

Members: Alun Cairns discharged and Nigel Mills nominated in substitution.

13 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Road Vehicles (Authorised Weight) (Amendment) Regulations 2023)

Chair: Peter Dowd

Members: Brendan Clarke-Smith, Colleen Fletcher, Gill Furniss, Peter Gibson, Mr Richard Holden, Dr Neil Hudson, Ian Lavery, Kim Leadbeater, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Dr Kieran Mullan, Kate Osamor, Ms Marie Rimmer, Gary Sambrook, Bob Stewart, Zarah Sultana, Theresa Villiers and Jacob Young

Select Committees: Reports

14 Backbench Business Committee

Determination of business to be taken on Thursday 25 May in the Chamber and Tuesday 6 June and Thursday 15 June in Westminster Hall (Ian Mearns).

15 Environmental Audit Committee

(1) *The financial sector and the UK's net zero transition*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 308);

(2) *Environmental change and food security*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 880);

(3) *Progress in implementing UK REACH*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 860) (Philip Dunne).

16 Public Accounts (Committee of)

(1) *Alcohol treatment services*: Fifty-fourth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1001);

(2) *Child Trust Funds*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1231) (Dame Meg Hillier).

17 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

Civil Service People Survey: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 575) (Mr William Wragg).

18 Transport Committee

HS2: progress update: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 641) (Iain Stewart).

19 Treasury Committee

Quantitative tightening: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1116) (Harriett Baldwin).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 1.30 pm.

Business determined by the Backbench Business Committee (Standing Orders No. 10(7) and No. 14(4))

1 Reducing plastic pollution in the ocean

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of reducing plastic pollution in the ocean.—(*Selaine Saxby.*)

The sitting was suspended between 2.54 pm and 3.00 pm.

2 National Numeracy Day

Resolved, That this House has considered National Numeracy Day.—(*Bob Blackman.*)

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

Adjourned at 3.50 pm until Monday 22 May.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Local Government

Draft Fareham (Electoral Changes) Order 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Speaker)

2 National Health Service

National Health Service (Primary Dental Services) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 554), dated 18 May 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Neil O'Brien)

3 Social Security

(1) Social Fund Maternity and Funeral Expenses (General) and Social Security (Claims and Payments) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 545), dated 16 May 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Laura Trott)

(2) Social Fund Winter Fuel Payment (Temporary Increase) Regulations 2023 (SI, 2023, No. 549), dated 16 May 2023 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Laura Trott)

Other papers

4 Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

Government Response to the Report of the Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Committee on permitted development rights (by Command) (CP 848) (Secretary Michael Gove)

5 Supply Estimates 2023–24

(1) Central Government: Main Supply Estimates for 2023–24 (by Command), to be printed (HC 1383) (John Glen)

(2) The Electoral Commission: Main Supply Estimate for 2023–24 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1385) (The Speaker)

(3) House of Commons Administration: Main Supply Estimate for 2023–24 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1297) (The Speaker)

(4) Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority: Main Supply Estimates for 2023–24 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1380) (The Speaker)

(5) Local Government Boundary Commission for England: Main Supply Estimate for 2023–24 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1366) (The Speaker)

(6) Parliamentary Works Grant: Main Supply Estimate for 2023–24 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1371) (Dame Eleanor Laing)

(7) Parliamentary Works Grant: Main Supply Estimate for 2023–24: Comments from the Parliamentary Works Estimates Commission and the Treasury (by Act), to be printed (HC 1384) (Dame Eleanor Laing)

6 National Health Service

Report and Accounts of Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust for 2021–22 (by Act) (Secretary Steve Barclay)

Withdrawn papers

7 Exiting The European Union (Customs)

Draft International Waste Shipments (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2021 (laid on 17 December 2020)