



House of Commons

Thursday 13 November 2025

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 9.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 **Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
(2) the Solicitor General**

- 2 **Business Question (Leader of the House)**

- 3 **Statement: Police reform (Sarah Jones)**

- 4 **Members' interests (Standing Order No. 150(4)(a)) (Cat Eccles)**

- 5 **Planning and Infrastructure Bill: Programme (No. 3)**

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the Planning and Infrastructure Bill for the purpose of supplementing the Orders of 24 March (Planning and Infrastructure Bill: Programme) and 9 June (Planning and Infrastructure Bill: Programme (No. 2)):

Consideration of Lords Amendments

(1) Proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion four hours after their commencement.

(2) The Lords Amendments shall be considered in the following order: 1 to 3, 31 to 33, 37 to 40, 4 to 30, 34 to 36, 41 to 117.

Subsequent stages

(3) Any further Message from the Lords may be considered forthwith without any Question being put.

(4) Proceedings on any further Message from the Lords shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour after their commencement.—(Matthew Pennycook.)

Question agreed to.

- 6 **Planning and Infrastructure Bill: Consideration of Lords Amendments**

John McDonnell signified King's consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned.

Lords Amendment 1

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 1.—(Matthew Pennycook.)

The House divided.

Division No. 347

Ayes: 254 (Tellers: Mark Ferguson, Taiwo Owatemi)

Noes: 135 (Tellers: Harriet Cross, Sir Ashley Fox)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 1 accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendment 2

Motion made and Question put, That Amendment (a) be made to Lords Amendment 2.—(*Matthew Pennycook.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 348

Ayes: 264 (Tellers: Taiwo Owatemi, Mark Ferguson)

Noes: 125 (Tellers: Harriet Cross, Sir Ashley Fox)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 2, as amended, agreed to.

Lords Amendment 3

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 3.—(*Matthew Pennycook.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 349

Ayes: 255 (Tellers: Taiwo Owatemi, Mark Ferguson)

Noes: 128 (Tellers: Harriet Cross, Sir Ashley Fox)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 3 accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendment 31 disagreed to.

Amendments (a) and (b) made to the Bill in lieu of Lords Amendment 31.

Lords Amendment 32

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 32.—(*Matthew Pennycook.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 350

Ayes: 268 (Tellers: Taiwo Owatemi, Mark Ferguson)

Noes: 78 (Tellers: Rebecca Paul, Jerome Mayhew)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 32 accordingly disagreed to.

Lords Amendment 33

Motion made and Question put, That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 33.—(*Matthew Pennycook.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 351

Ayes: 257 (Tellers: Taiwo Owatemi, Mark Ferguson)

Noes: 128 (Tellers: Rebecca Paul, Jerome Mayhew)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 33 accordingly disagreed to.

As it was more than four hours after the commencement of proceedings on consideration of the Lords Amendments, the Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary to bring proceedings to a conclusion (Programme Order, today).

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

(1) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 37 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Matthew Pennycook.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 352

Ayes: 254 (Tellers: Stephen Morgan, Gregor Poynton)

Noes: 129 (Tellers: Rebecca Paul, Jerome Mayhew)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 37 accordingly disagreed to.

(2) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 38 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Matthew Pennycook.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 353

Ayes: 252 (Tellers: Stephen Morgan, Gregor Poynton)

Noes: 130 (Tellers: Sir Ashley Fox, Harriet Cross)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 38 accordingly disagreed to.

(3) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 39 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Matthew Pennycook.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 354

Ayes: 250 (Tellers: Stephen Morgan, Gregor Poynton)

Noes: 133 (Tellers: Sir Ashley Fox, Harriet Cross)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 39 accordingly disagreed to.

(4) That this House disagrees with the Lords in their Amendment 40 (Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown to disagree with a Lords Amendment).—
(*Matthew Pennycook.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 355

Ayes: 244 (Tellers: Stephen Morgan, Gregor Poynton)

Noes: 132 (Tellers: Rebecca Paul, Sir Ashley Fox)

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendment 40 accordingly disagreed to.

(5) That this House agrees with the Lords in their Amendments 4 to 30, 34 to 36 and 41 to 117 (Single Question to agree with all remaining Lords Amendments).

Question agreed to.

Lords Amendments 4 to 30, 34 to 36 and 41 to 117 accordingly agreed to.

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83H(2), That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to their Amendments 1, 3, 32, 33 and 37 to 40.

That Gideon Amos, Deirdre Costigan, Kevin McKenna, Matthew Pennycook, David Simmonds, Harpreet Uppal and Sean Woodcock be members of the Committee;

That Matthew Pennycook be the Chair of the Committee;

That three be the quorum of the Committee;

That the Committee do withdraw immediately.—(*Gen Kitchen.*)

Question agreed to.

7 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Immigration Skills Charge (Amendment) Regulations 2025, which were laid before this House on 15 October, be approved.—(*Gregor Poynton.*)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Infrastructure Planning (Business or Commercial Projects) (Amendment) Regulations 2025, which were laid before this House on 15 October, be approved.—(*Gregor Poynton.*)

Question agreed to.

(3) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Victims and Prisoners Act 2024 (Permitted Disclosures) Regulations 2025, which were laid before this House on 16 October, be approved.—(*Gregor Poynton.*)

Question agreed to.

8 Changes to membership of select committees

(1) *Ordered*, That Jess Brown-Fuller be discharged from the Backbench Business Committee and Mr Lee Dillon be added.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(2) *Ordered*, That Zöe Franklin be discharged from the Culture, Media and Sport Committee and Cameron Thomas be added.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(3) *Ordered*, That Josh Babarinde be discharged from the Justice Committee and Vikki Slade be added.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(4) *Ordered*, That Dr Al Pinkerton be discharged from the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee and Mr Paul Kohler be added.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

(5) *Ordered*, That Tom Gordon be discharged from the Science, Innovation and Technology Committee and Freddie van Mierlo be added.—(*Jessica Morden, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

9 Adjournment

Subject: Legacy of the Troubles (David Davis)

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Gregor Poynton.*)

House adjourned without Question put (Standing Order No. 9(7)).

Adjourned at 6.23 pm until Monday 17 November.

Other Proceedings

Changes to Notices Given

10 Road Traffic (Horse and Rider Safety) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 November, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 16 January 2026.

Reasons Committees: Reports

11 Planning and Infrastructure Bill: Reasons Committee

Matthew Pennycook reported that the Committee had agreed the following Reasons:

Lords Amendment 1

Because the Commons consider a more streamlined process of Parliamentary scrutiny is more appropriate to apply to an amendment of a national policy statement which reflects relevant published government policy, changes to (or the coming into force of) relevant legislation, a change to a published document referred to in a national policy statement or a relevant decision in court proceedings.

Lords Amendment 3

Because the Commons consider that it would create a duplicative process and cause unnecessary delay.

Lords Amendment 32

Because the Commons do not consider it necessary to have a legislative requirement to publish the information required by the amendment relating to low hazard reservoirs.

Lords Amendment 33

Because the Commons consider that requiring these regulations to be made by affirmative procedure would not be an appropriate use of Parliamentary time.

Lords Amendment 37

Because the Commons consider that measures in respect of permitted development rights should be taken forward through secondary legislation.

Lords Amendment 38

Because the Commons consider that it is not appropriate for chalk stream protection to be dealt with by spatial development strategies.

Lords Amendment 39

Because the Commons consider that the proposal is impracticable and would unreasonably fetter decision-making around the use of land.

Lords Amendment 40

Because the Commons consider that the test for making an EDP (the overall improvement test) provides robust environmental protection, so it is not necessary to limit the scope of EDPs to only certain types of environmental impact.

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).

12 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Unmanned Aircraft (Offences and Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2025)

Chair: Dawn Butler

13 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Online Safety Act 2023 (Priority Offences) (Amendment) Regulations 2025)

Chair: Martin Vickers

14 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Health and Care Act 2022 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2025)

Chair: Derek Twigg

Members: Dr Luke Evans discharged and Stuart Andrew nominated in substitution.

15 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Procurement Act 2023 (Specified International Agreements and Saving Provision) (Amendment) Regulations 2025)

Chair: Esther McVey

Members: Tom Morrison discharged and Sarah Gibson nominated in substitution.

Select Committees: Reports

16 Backbench Business Committee

Determination of business to be taken on Thursday 20 November in the Chamber and Thursday 4 December in Westminster Hall (Bob Blackman).

17 Public Accounts (Committee of)

(1) *Reducing NHS waiting times for elective care:*

(i) Fifty-fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 820);

(ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 820);

(2) *BBC Accounts and Trust Statement 2024–25*: Fifty-sixth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1230);

(3) *Faulty energy efficiency installations*: Oral and written evidence, to be printed (HC 1229);

(4) *Carbon Capture, Usage and Storage*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 351);

(5) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions relating to progress update on skills and machinery of government change*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence with the Permanent Secretary to the Department for Health and Social Care*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Government services: Identifying costs*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1421);

(8) *Improving educational outcomes for disadvantaged children*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 365)

(Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown).

Sir Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 1.37 pm.

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

1 Modern day slavery in Pakistan

Resolved, That this House has considered modern day slavery in Pakistan.—(*Jim Shannon*.)

The sitting was suspended between 2.49 pm and 3 pm.

2 Protecting consumers from rogue builders

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of protecting consumers from rogue builders.—(*Mark Garnier*.)

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

Adjourned at 4.04 pm until Monday 17 November.

Ms Nusrat Ghani

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers laid under section 9(8) of the Planning Act 2008

1 Planning

- (1) Final proposal for a revised National Policy Statement for Electricity Networks Infrastructure (EN-5) (by Act) (Secretary Ed Miliband)
- (2) Final proposal for a revised National Policy Statement for Renewable Energy Infrastructure (EN-3) (by Act) (Secretary Ed Miliband)
- (3) Final proposal for a revised Overarching National Policy Statement for Energy (EN-1) (by Act) (Secretary Ed Miliband)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Exiting the European Union

Financial Services (Gibraltar) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 1182), dated 11 November 2025 (by Statutory Instrument), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Lucy Rigby)

3 Local Government

- (1) Draft Cheshire East (Electoral Changes) Order 2026 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Speaker)
- (2) Draft East Riding of Yorkshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2026 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (The Speaker)

4 Oman No. 1 (2025)

Agreement, done at London on 7 October 2025, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Sultanate of Oman concerning the Employment Authorization of Spouses of Official Employees (CP 1443) (by Command), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

5 Road Traffic

Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (County of East Sussex) (Amendment), Bus Lane Contraventions (Approved Local Authorities) (Amendment) and Moving Traffic Contraventions Designation Order 2025 (SI, 2025, No. 1181), dated 11 November 2025 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Heidi Alexander)

Other papers

6 Culture, Media and Sport

Government Response to the Report by the UK Commission on Covid Commemoration (by Command) (CP 1425) (Secretary Lisa Nandy)

7 Financial Services (Gibraltar) (Amendment) (EU Exit)

Progress statement on the development of new permanent market access arrangements for financial services between the UK and Gibraltar (by Statutory Instrument) (Lucy Rigby)

8 International Accounting Standards and European Public Limited-Liability Company (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit)

Report on Technical Work of the UK Accounting Standards Endorsement Board for 2024–25 (by Statutory Instrument) (Blair McDougall)

9 Local Government

Report and Accounts of the Valuation Tribunal Service for 2024–25, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1392) (Clerk of the House)

10 National Lottery etc.

Report and Accounts of sportscotland National Lottery Distribution Fund for 2024–25 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1425) (Secretary Douglas Alexander)

11 Science, Innovation and Technology

Delivering AI Growth Zones (by Command) (CP 1440) (Secretary Liz Kendall)

12 Treaty Series No. 61 (2025)

Exchange of Letters, done at Accra on 24 September 2025, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Ghana concerning certain (Commercial) Debts (The United Kingdom/Ghana Debt Agreement No. 1 (2025)) (by Command) (CP 1444) (Secretary Yvette Cooper)

MEMORANDUM**PANEL OF CHAIRS**

In accordance with the provisions of Standing Order No. 4 (Panel of Chairs), the Speaker discharged Sir Mark Hendrick from the Panel of Chairs, effective from 13 November 2025.

In accordance with the provisions of Standing Order No. 4 (Panel of Chairs), the Speaker appointed Paula Barker and Sir Alec Shelbrooke to be members of the Panel of Chairs during the present Parliament.

CORRECTIONS

(1) Tuesday 16 January 2024

The following item should have appeared before item 31:

Health and Social Care Committee

(1) *Prevention in Health and Social Care: Healthy Places*: First Report, to be published, with the formal minutes relating to the report (HC 484);

(2) *Pharmacy*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 139);

(3) *Correspondence from NHS England relating to the PHSO patient safety report*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to the WHO Pandemic Accord negotiations*: Written evidence, to be published

(5) *Correspondence with the Home Secretary on social care charges*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State on social care changes*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Future cancer*: Written evidence, to be printed (HC 138);

(Steve Brine).

(2) Monday 3 February 2025

The list of entries under *General Committee: Appointments* should have appeared as follows:

[] Bank Resolution (Recapitalisation) Bill [Lords] Committee

Chairs: Dr Rosena Allin-Khan and Christine Jardine

[] First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Medicines for Human Use (Clinical Trials) (Amendment) Regulations 2024)

Chair: Sir Desmond Swayne

Members: Alex Baker discharged and Mr Calvin Bailey nominated in substitution.

[] Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Space Industry (Licence Exemption for Military Activities of Allies) Regulations 2025)

Chair: Gill Furniss

Members: Mr Peter Bedford and Rachel Hopkins discharged and Lewis Cocking and Sarah Coombes nominated in substitution.

[] Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Online Safety Act 2023 (Category 1, Category 2A and Category 2B Threshold Conditions) Regulations 2025)

Chair: Graham Stringer

Members: Bambos Charalambous and Leigh Ingham discharged and Gurinder Singh Josan and Laurence Turner nominated in substitution.

[] Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (The Community Radio Order 2025)

Chair: Christine Jardine

[] Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Procurement Act 2023 (Consequential and Other Amendments) Regulations 2025)

Chair: David Mundell

Members: Satvir Kaur discharged and Melanie Ward nominated in substitution.

(3) Wednesday 3 September 2025

Item 20 (Select Committees: Reports) should have read:

Environmental Audit Committee

(1) *Governing the marine environment: Government Response*: Fourth Special Report, to be printed (HC 1272);

(2) *The UK and the Antarctic Environment: Government Response: Fifth Special Report*, to be printed (HC 1273);

(3) *National Highways and environmental sustainability*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1284);

(4) *Addressing the risks from Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 852);

(5) *Airport expansion and climate and nature targets*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 831);

(6) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Nature, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, relating to the Government's Response to the Committee's Report The role of natural capital in the UK's green economy*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Flood resilience in England*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 550)

(Mr Toby Perkins).

(4) Wednesday 12 November 2025

Item 32 should have read:

Work and Pensions Committee

(1) *Get Britain Working: Reforming Jobcentres*:

(i) *Government Response: Sixth Special Report*, to be printed (HC 1493);

(ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 653);

(2) *Get Britain Working: Creating a new jobs and careers service: Government Response: Seventh Special Report*, to be printed (HC 1494);

(3) *Employment support for disabled people*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1227);

(4) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State*: Written evidence, to be published

(Debbie Abrahams).