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HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday 19 November 2020

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 9.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to the Secretary of State for International Trade**
- 2 Urgent Question: Department for Health and Social Care's performance in answering written questions from Rt Hon. and Hon. Members (Edward Argar)**
- 3 Business Question (Leader of the House)**
- 4 Statements: (1) The Integrated Review (The Prime Minister)**
(2) Financial support for the sport sector (Nigel Huddleston)

5 Select Committee Statement (Standing Order No. 22D)

Publication of the Sixth Report from the Procedure Committee, Procedure under coronavirus restrictions: virtual participation in debate, HC 905 (Karen Bradley).

6 Backbench Business

(1) Regulation and prevention of online harms

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House recognises the need to take urgent action to reduce and prevent online harms; and urges the Government to bring forward the Online Harms Bill as soon as possible.—(*Jeremy Wright.*)

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

Question put and agreed to.

(2) International Men's Day

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered International Men's Day—(*Ben Bradley.*)

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

Question put and agreed to.

7 Adjournment

Subject: Department for Health and Social Care's Independent Reconfiguration Panel (*Siobhain McDonagh*)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*David Duguid.*)

Adjourned at 5.30 pm until Monday 23
November.

Other Proceedings

Lords Messages

8 Private International Law (Implementation of Agreements) Bill [Lords]

The Lords agree to the Amendments made by the Commons to the Private International Law (Implementation of Agreements) Bill [Lords], with Amendments, to which they desire the agreement of the Commons.

Lords Amendments to be considered on Monday 23 November, and to be printed (Bill 215).

General Committees: Reports

9 Environment Bill Committee

Sir George Howarth (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

10 Financial Services Bill Committee

Dr Rupa Huq (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

11 Eleventh Delegated Legislation Committee

Ms Nusrat Ghani (Chair) reported the draft Supplementary Protection Certificates (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020.

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 Law Enforcement and Security (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)

Members: Alexander Stafford discharged and Mark Fletcher nominated in substitution.

Reports from Select Committees

13 Backbench Business Committee

Determination of business to be taken on Thursday 26 November in the Chamber and Tuesday 1, Thursday 3 and Tuesday 8 December in Westminster Hall (Ian Mearns).

14 Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

The impact of coronavirus on businesses and workers: Written evidence, to be published (HC 219) (Darren Jones).

15 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

Correspondence relating to a deal between the English Football League and the English

Premier League: Written evidence, to be published (Julian Knight).

16 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to the interim Office for Environmental Protection: Written evidence, to be published (Neil Parish).

17 European Scrutiny Committee

(1) Twenty-ninth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 229-xxv);

(2) *Ministerial correspondence: Written evidence, to be published (HC 229)*

(Sir William Cash).

18 Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee

(1) *Pre-legislative scrutiny of the draft Building Safety Bill: Fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 466);*

(2) *Correspondence from the Minister for Housing relating to planning*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Long-term delivery of social and affordable rented housing*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 173);

(4) *The Spending Review and Local Government Finance*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 924)

(Mr Clive Betts).

19 International Development Committee

(1) *Sexual exploitation and abuse in the aid sector: next steps*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 605);

(2) *Correspondence with the Foreign Secretary relating to protecting female and indigenous human rights defenders in Colombia*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Humanitarian crises monitoring: coronavirus in developing countries: secondary impacts*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 292)

(Sarah Champion).

20 Petitions Committee

Correspondence with the Chair of the Procedure Committee relating to the impact of the coronavirus outbreak on participation in Westminster Hall: Written evidence, to be published (Catherine McKinnell).

21 Public Accounts (Committee of)

(1) *Whole of Government Accounts 2018–19: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 655);*

(2) *Correspondence relating to the Committee's previous Reports: Written evidence, to be published;*

(3) *Selecting towns for the Towns Fund: Written evidence, to be published (HC 651) (Meg Hillier).*

22 Treasury Committee

Correspondence with the Chief Executive of the UK Debt Management Office relating to DMO's continuing programme of syndicated offerings: Written evidence, to be published (Mel Stride).

23 Welsh Affairs Committee

Brexit and trade: implications for Wales: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 176) (Stephen Crabb).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 1.30 pm.

Business determined by the Backbench Business Committee (Standing Orders Nos. 10(7) and 14(4))

1 Fuel poverty and energy price caps

Resolved, That this House has considered fuel poverty and energy price caps.— (Martyn Day.)

2 Future of work

Resolved, That this House has considered the future of work.—(Kirsten Oswald.)

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

Adjourned at 4.29 pm until Monday 23
November.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Exiting the European Union (Value Added Tax)

Value Added Tax (Miscellaneous Amendments to Acts of Parliament) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1312), dated 18 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Jesse Norman)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Criminal Law

Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act 2004 (Victims' Code of Practice) Order 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1314), dated 19 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Robert Buckland)

3 Exiting the European Union (Environmental Protection)

Environment (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1313), dated 18 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

4 Pensions

Armed Forces Redundancy Scheme Order 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1298), dated 12 November 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Johnny Mercer)

Papers laid under paragraphs 3(3) and

17(3) of Schedule 7 to the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018

5 Exiting the European Union (Agriculture)

Proposal for an instrument titled Food and Drink (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary George Eustice)

Other papers

6 Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office Minute, dated 19 November 2020, concerning a contingent liability arising from the Loan Guarantee Agreement with the Government of Gibraltar (by Command) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

7 Government Resources and Accounts

(1) Report and Accounts of Ministry of Justice for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 711) (Jesse Norman)

(2) Report and Accounts of National Forest Company for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Statutory Instrument), to be printed (HC 908) (Secretary George Eustice)

(3) Report and Accounts of the Armed Forces Pension Scheme for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 952) (Jesse Norman)

(4) Report and Accounts of the Teachers' Pension Scheme (England and Wales) for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 971) (Jesse Norman)

8 House of Commons Commission

Report of the House of Commons Commission on Members of the Independent Expert Panel: Nomination of Candidates (by Standing Order), to be printed (HC 998) (The Speaker)

9 Justice and Security

Report of the Intelligence and Security Committee of Parliament on GCHQ

accommodation procurement: a case study (by Act), to be printed (HC 991) (Clerk of the House)

10 Museums and Galleries

Report and Accounts of the British Museum for 2019–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 432) (Caroline Dinenage)

11 National Lottery etc.

Report and Accounts of sportscotland National Lottery Distribution Fund for 2019–20 (by Act), to be printed (HC 840) (Secretary Alister Jack)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Voting by proxy

1. New pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), as amended by the temporary Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Order of 22 October 2020, that the Members listed in the table below are eligible to have a proxy vote cast on their behalf by the nominated proxies listed in the table below, starting on the dates specified below and ending on Tuesday 30 March 2021, unless the arrangement is ended or the House otherwise orders.

Member	From	Proxy
John Stevenson	23 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Peter Gibson	23 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Paul Girvan	23 November 2020	Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson

Rehman Chishti	23 November 2020	Stuart Andrew
Cat Smith	23 November 2020	Chris Elmore

2. Variation of existing pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), as amended by the temporary Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Order of 22 October 2020, that the following Member has given notice that he wishes to amend his proxy voting arrangement:

From 23 November 2020 the nominated proxy for Ian Paisley will be Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson instead of Paul Girvan.

3. Ending pandemic proxy voting arrangements

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting

by proxy), as amended by the temporary Orders of 23 September 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic) and 3 November 2020 (Proxy voting during the pandemic (No. 2)) and extended by the Order of 22 October 2020, that the following Member has given notice that he wishes to end his proxy voting arrangement with effect from when the Speaker takes the Chair on the dates specified below:

Member

John Penrose

From

23 November 2020