



HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday 13 January 2021

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to (1) the Minister for Women and Equalities
(2) the Prime Minister**
- 2 Urgent Questions: (1) Disruption to trade between Great Britain and Northern Ireland as a result of the Northern Ireland Protocol (Michael Gove)
(2) May 2021 elections (Chloe Smith)**
- 3 Statement: Mental Health Act reform (Secretary Matt Hancock)**
- 4 Application for emergency debate (Standing Order No. 24)**

Ian Paisley proposed that the House should debate the matter of discarded human organs (Standing Order No. 24).

The Deputy Speaker declined to put the application to the House.
- 5 Covid-19 Financial Assistance (Gaps in Support): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require the Government to undertake an assessment of any gaps in financial support provided to individuals, businesses and industries over the course of the Covid-19 pandemic; to require the Government to report to Parliament on steps it intends to take in connection with any such gaps; and for connected purposes;

That Tracy Brabin, Paula Barker, Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson, Stephen Farry, Dan Jarvis, Caroline Lucas, John McDonnell, Esther McVey, Mr Virendra Sharma, Jamie Stone, Alison Thewliss and Bill Esterson present the Bill.

Tracy Brabin accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 29 January, and to be printed (Bill 238).
- 6 Financial Services Bill (Report Stage): Consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Public Bill Committee**

New Clause NC27—Money laundering offences: electronic money institutions, payment institutions and deposit-taking bodies (*John Glen*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

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

At 6.00 pm, the Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary to bring proceedings on consideration to a conclusion in accordance with Standing Order No. 83E (Order, 9 November 2020).

(1) That New Clause NC27 be read a second time (Question already proposed from the Chair).

Question agreed to.

(2) That New Clause NC27 be added to the Bill (Question on a New Clause moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*John Glen.*)

Question agreed to.

(3) That New Clause NC28 be added to the Bill (Question on a New Clause moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*John Glen.*)

Question agreed to.

(4) That New Clause NC7 be added to the Bill (Question on a New Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Stella Creasy.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 194

Ayes: 265 (Tellers: Matt Western, Liz Twist)

Noes: 355 (Tellers: David Rutley, Michael Tomlinson)

Question accordingly negated.

(5) That New Clause NC21 be added to the Bill (Question on a New Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Alison Thewliss.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 195

Ayes: 267 (Tellers: David Linden, Owen Thompson)

Noes: 355 (Tellers: Michael Tomlinson, David Rutley)

Question accordingly negated.

(6) That Amendments 15 to 21 be made (Single Question on successive Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*John Glen.*)

Question agreed to.

(7) That New Schedule 1 be added to the Bill (Question on a New Schedule moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*John Glen.*)

Question agreed to.

(8) That Amendments 22 to 26 be made (Single Question on successive Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*John Glen.*)

Question agreed to.

(9) That Amendment 1 be made (Question on an Amendment selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Pat McFadden.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 196

Ayes: 263 (Tellers: Matt Western, Liz Twist)

Noes: 359 (Tellers: Michael Tomlinson, David Rutley)

Question accordingly negated.

(10) That Amendments 27 to 31 be made (Single Question on successive Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*John Glen.*)

Question agreed to.

7 Financial Services Bill: Third Reading

Bill read the third time, and passed.

8 Business of the House (Today)

Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the motions in the name of the Leader of the House relating to Sittings in Westminster Hall (Suspension) (No.2) and Business of the House (Private Members' Bills) (No. 9) (if not previously concluded) one hour after the commencement of proceedings on the motion for this Order; such Questions shall include the Questions on any Amendments selected by the Speaker which may then be moved; the business may be proceeded with, though opposed, after the moment of interruption; and Standing Order No. 41A (Deferred divisions) shall not apply.—(*Eddie Hughes.*)

9 Sittings in Westminster Hall (Suspension) (No. 2)

Motion made and Question proposed, That, notwithstanding Standing Order No. 10 (Sittings in Westminster Hall) and the Order of the House of 23 September 2020, there shall be no sittings in Westminster Hall with effect from Thursday 14 January until the House otherwise orders.—(*Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg.*)

One hour after the commencement of proceedings on the Business of the House (Today) Motion, the Speaker put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the motion (Order, today).

Question put and agreed to.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding Standing Order No. 10 (Sittings in Westminster Hall) and the Order of the House of 23 September 2020, there shall be no sittings in Westminster Hall with effect from Thursday 14 January until the House otherwise orders.

10 Business of the House (Private Members' Bills) (No. 9)

As it was more than one hour after the commencement of proceedings on the Business of the House (Today) Motion, the Speaker put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the motion (Order, today).

Motion made and Question put forthwith, That the Order of the House of 16 January 2020 (Business of the House (Private Members' Bills)), as amended by the Orders of the House of 25 March, 22 April, 12 May, 10 June, 1 July, 3 November and 30 December 2020, is further amended as follows:

leave out "15 January 2021, 22 January 2021, 29 January 2021, 5 February 2021, 26 February 2021, 5 March 2021, 12 March 2021 and 26 March 2021".—(*Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg.*)

Question agreed to.

Ordered, That the Order of the House of 16 January 2020 (Business of the House (Private Members' Bills)), as amended by the Orders of the House of 25 March, 22 April, 12 May, 10 June, 1 July, 3 November and 30 December 2020, is further amended as follows:

leave out "15 January 2021, 22 January 2021, 29 January 2021, 5 February 2021, 26 February 2021, 5 March 2021, 12 March 2021 and 26 March 2021".

11 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Airports Slot Allocation (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2021, which were laid before this House on 1 December 2020, be approved.—(*Eddie Hughes.*)

Question agreed to.

12 Public petitions

A public petition from Ernest Boateng relating to the safety of pregnant women during the coronavirus outbreak was presented and read by Sarah Owen.

13 Adjournment

Subject: Support for small business during the COVID-19 outbreak (Christine Jardine)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Eddie Hughes.*)

Adjourned at 8.15 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

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 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Regulated Activities) (Amendment) Order 2020)

(1) Chair: David Mundell

(2) Members: Rushanara Ali, Stuart Andrew, Kevin Brennan, Andy Carter, Elliot Colburn, Claire Coutinho, David T C Davies, Mark Fletcher, John Glen, Mr Marcus Jones, Mr Pat McFadden, Tom Pursglove, Jeff Smith, John Spellar, Owen Thompson, Maggie Throup and Stephen Timms

15 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft West Yorkshire Combined Authority (Election of Mayor and Functions) Order 2021)

(1) Chair: Mr Philip Hollobone

(2) Members: Stuart Andrew, Aaron Bell, Chris Bryant, Maria Caulfield, Bambos Charalambous, David T C Davies, Geraint Davies, Clive Efford, Simon Fell, Luke Hall, Mr Marcus Jones, Jerome Mayhew, Navendu Mishra, Tom Pursglove, Steve Reed, Mick Whitley and Jacob Young

- 16 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (Official Controls (Animals, Feed and Food, Plant Health etc.) (Amendment) (EU Exit) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1631) and the draft Plant Health (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020)**
- (1) Chair: Sir David Amess
- (2) Members: Stuart Andrew, Mr Clive Betts, Maria Caulfield, David T C Davies, Gill Furniss, Barry Gardiner, Andrew Griffith, Mark Jenkinson, Kim Johnson, Fay Jones, Carla Lockhart, Mark Logan, Victoria Prentis, Tom Pursglove, Owen Thompson, Christian Wakeford and Daniel Zeichner
- 17 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (Operation of Air Services (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1632))**
- (1) Chair: Mark Pritchard
- (2) Members: Lee Anderson, Bambos Charalambous, Judith Cummins, Peter Gibson, Paul Girvan, Patrick Grady, Mr Richard Holden, Dame Diana Johnson, Mr Marcus Jones, Mike Kane, Rachel Maclean, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Neil O'Brien, Tom Randall, Gary Sambrook, Nick Smith and Maggie Throup
- 18 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (Customs Miscellaneous Non-fiscal Provisions and Amendments etc. (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 1624))**
- (1) Chair: Dr Rupa Huq
- (2) Members: Stuart Andrew, Brendan Clarke-Smith, John Cryer, David T C Davies, Yvonne Fovargue, Andrew Gwynne, Mr Marcus Jones, Jesse Norman, Bridget Phillipson, Tom Pursglove, Nicola Richards, Jeff Smith, Alexander Stafford, Owen Thompson, Maggie Throup, Craig Williams and Beth Winter

Reports from Select Committees

19 Education Committee

The impact of COVID-19 on education and children's services: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 254) (Robert Halfon).

20 Environmental Audit Committee

- (1) *Biodiversity and ecosystems:* Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 636);
- (2) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy relating to the UK's Nationally Determined Contribution:* Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Correspondence from UK Export Finance:* Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *Energy efficiency of existing homes:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 346);
- (5) *Technological innovations and climate change: heat pumps:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 896)
- (Philip Dunne).

21 Future Relationship with the European Union (Committee on the)

Progress of the negotiations on the UK's future relationship with the EU: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 203) (Hilary Benn).

22 Home Affairs Committee

(1) Home Office preparedness for Covid-19 (Coronavirus): Oral evidence, to be published (HC 232);

(2) Channel crossings, migration and asylum-seeking routes in the EU: Written evidence, to be published (HC 705);

(3) Correspondence from the Home Office relating to the EU Settlement Scheme: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) Correspondence with the Home Office relating to oral evidence from the Home Secretary and Permanent Secretary: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) The Windrush Compensation Scheme: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1013) (Yvette Cooper).

23 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

The Government's response to COVID-19: human rights implications of long lockdown: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1004) (Ms Harriet Harman).

24 Liaison Committee

(1) *Evidence from the Prime Minister:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1144);

(2) *Correspondence with the Leader of the House relating to 'tagging' reports to debates, and embargoed copies of reports:* Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with the Prime Minister relating to the scaling up of test and trace operations, and Parliamentary scrutiny of emergency COVID-19 measures:* Written evidence, to be published

(Sir Bernard Jenkin).

25 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

(1) *Addressing the Legacy of Northern Ireland's Past: the Government's New Proposals: Government Response to the Committee's Third Report:* Third Special Report, to be printed (HC 1153);

(2) *Cross-border co-operation on policing, security and criminal justice after Brexit:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 766);

(3) *Addressing the Legacy of Northern Ireland's past: The UK Government's New Proposals:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 329)

(Simon Hoare).

26 Procedure Committee

(1) *Procedure under coronavirus restrictions:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 300);

(2) *The procedure of the House of Commons and the territorial constitution:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 838)

(Karen Bradley).

27 Science and Technology Committee

UK science, research and technology capability and influence in global disease outbreaks: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 136) (Greg Clark).

28 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Thirty-Sixth Report, to be printed (HC 75-xxxvi) (Jessica Morden).

29 Statutory Instruments (Select Committee on)

Twenty-Ninth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 73-xxix) (Jessica Morden).

30 Treasury Committee

(1) *The appointment of John Taylor to the Prudential Regulation Committee:*

(i) Ninth Report to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1132);

(ii) Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1132);

(2) *The appointment of Antony Jenkins to the Prudential Regulation Committee:*

(i) Tenth Report to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1157);

(ii) Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 1157)

(Mel Stride).

31 Work and Pensions Committee

(1) *DWP's preparations for changes in the world of work:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 358);

(2) *DWP's response to the coronavirus outbreak:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 178)

(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 Support for pupils' education during school closures

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered support for pupils' education during school closures.—(*Matt Western.*)

At 11.00 am, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6))

2 Discharges into rivers

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of discharges into rivers.—(*Liz Twist*.)
The sitting was suspended between 11.29 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Online anonymity

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of online anonymity.—(*Siobhan Baillie*.)
The sitting was suspended between 3.27 pm and 4.00 pm.

4 Desecration of war memorials

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of desecration of war memorials.—(*Jonathan Gullis*.)
The sitting was suspended between 4.23 pm and 4.30 pm.

5 Political situation in Kashmir

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the political situation in Kashmir.—(*Sarah Owen*.)

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)).

At 5.30 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

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

Adjourned at 5.30 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Council Tax

Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 29), dated 12 January 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Christopher Pincher)

2 Financial Services

Markets in Financial Instruments (Switzerland Equivalence) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 28), dated 12 January 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (John Glen)

3 Health and Safety

Health and Safety and Nuclear (Fees) Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 33), dated 11 January 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Mims Davies)

4 National Health Service

National Health Service (Performers Lists, Coronavirus) (England) Amendment Regulations 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 30), dated 12 January 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Nadhim Zahawi)

Papers laid under paragraphs 3(3) and 17(3) of Schedule 7 to the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018

5 Exiting the European Union (Road Traffic)

Proposal for an instrument titled Drivers' Hours and Tachographs (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Act) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

Other papers

6 Health and Social Care

Reforming the Mental Health Act (by Command) (CP 355) (Secretary Matt Hancock)

Withdrawn papers

7 Road Safety

Proposal for an instrument titled Drivers' Hours and Tachographs (Amendment) Regulations 2021, with an Explanatory Memorandum (laid 7 January)

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
Mr Steve Baker	14 January	Stuart Andrew
Owen Thompson	14 January	Patrick Grady
Simon Fell	14 January	Stuart Andrew
Dr Ben Spencer	14 January	Stuart Andrew
Mark Jenkinson	14 January	Stuart Andrew

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 they wish to amend their proxy voting arrangement:

The end date of the proxy voting arrangement for Christian Matheson will change from 15 January to 30 March.

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 Members have given notice that they wish to end their proxy voting arrangement with effect from when the Speaker takes the Chair on the dates specified below:

Member	From
Liz Twist	13 January
Matt Western	13 January

CORRECTIONS

Wednesday 30 December 2020

The following paper should have appeared after sub-item (6) in item 28 (Overseas Territories) in place of sub-item (7) which should not have appeared there:

(7) Yemen (Sanctions) (Overseas Territories) Order (SI, 2020, No. 1589), dated 16 December 2020 (by Act) with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

Monday 11 January 2021

Item 10 (Other proceedings: Telecommunications (Security) Bill Committee (Programming Sub Committee)) should not have appeared.

Tuesday 12 January 2021

This item should have appeared after item 20 (Other Proceedings):

Justice Committee

(1) *The future of legal aid*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 289);

(2) *Court Capacity*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 284);

(3) *Correspondence from the Crown Prosecution Service*: Written evidence, to be published;

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

(Sir Robert Neill).