



HOUSE OF COMMONS

Tuesday 2 February 2021

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Justice**
- 2 Urgent Question: Implementation of the Northern Ireland Protocol (Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster)**
- 3 Statements: (1) COVID-19 update (Secretary Matt Hancock)
(2) Update on Myanmar (Nigel Adams)**
- 4 Driving Tests (Repayment of Test Fees) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)**

Kirsten Oswald, supported by Anne McLaughlin and David Linden, presented a Bill to authorise the repayment of fees for driving tests delayed as a result of an emergency. Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 250).
- 5 Local Welfare Assistance Provision (Review): 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 a review of the adequacy of local welfare assistance schemes provided by local authorities; That Paul Maynard, Sir Iain Duncan Smith, Stephen Timms, Robert Halfon, Caroline Lucas, Peter Aldous, Jason McCartney, Andrew Selous, Gary Sambrook and Simon Fell present the Bill.

Paul Maynard accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed (Bill 251).
- 6 Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill [Lords]: Second Reading**

Bill read a second time.
- 7 Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill [Lords] (Programme)**

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill [Lords]:

Committal

(1) The Bill shall be committed to a Public Bill Committee.

Proceedings in Public Bill Committee

(2) Proceedings in the Public Bill Committee shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion on Tuesday 23 February 2021.

(3) The Public Bill Committee shall have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it meets.

Proceedings on Consideration and up to and including Third Reading

(4) Proceedings on Consideration shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour before the moment of interruption on the day on which they are commenced.

(5) Proceedings on Third Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at the moment of interruption on that day.

(6) Standing Order No. 83B (Programming committees) shall not apply to proceedings on Consideration and up to and including Third Reading.

Other proceedings

(7) Any other proceedings on the Bill may be programmed.—(David Rutley.)

Question agreed to.

8 Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill [Lords] (Ways and Means)

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 52(1)(a)), That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill [Lords], it is expedient to authorise the payment of sums into the Consolidated Fund.—(David Rutley.)

Question agreed to.

9 Public petitions

(1) A public petition from residents of the constituency of North Ayrshire and Arran relating to the extension of statutory paid bereavement leave was presented and read by Patricia Gibson.

(2) A public petition from residents of the United Kingdom relating to a wage floor to the furlough scheme was presented and read by Richard Burgon.

10 Adjournment

Subject: Deportation of foreign national offenders (Mr Simon Clarke).

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(David Rutley.)

At 7.00 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 9(3)).

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

Adjourned at 7.07 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Lords Messages

11 Medicines and Medical Devices Bill

The Lords do not insist on their Amendments to the Medicines and Medical Devices Bill to which the Commons have disagreed; they agree without amendment to the Amendments proposed by the Commons in lieu of certain Lords' Amendments; and they agree without amendment to the Amendments made by the Commons to certain of the Lords' Amendments.

General Committees: Reports

12 First Delegated Legislation Committee

Mrs Maria Miller (Chair) reported the draft Government of Wales Act 2006 (Amendment) Order 2021.

Reports from Select Committees

13 Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

(1) *The impact of coronavirus on businesses and workers*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 219);

(2) *Correspondence from the Minister for Science, Research and Innovation relating to UK Associate Membership of Horizon Europe*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Forced labour in UK value chains*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 810);

(4) *Net Zero and UN climate summits*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 144)
(Darren Jones).

14 Defence Committee

(1) *NATO, US and UK defence relations*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1187);

(2) *Armed forces and veterans mental health: follow-up*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1133)

(Mr Tobias Ellwood).

15 Defence Committee, Foreign Affairs Committee and International Trade Committee

(1) *Arms export controls: Initial review*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 965);

(2) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State for International Trade relating to export licence decisions*: Written evidence, to be published

(Mark Garnier).

16 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

(1) *The future of UK music festivals*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 886);

(2) *Anti-vaccination disinformation*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1049);

- (3) *Sport in our communities*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 869);
- (4) *The work of the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 157)
- (Julian Knight).

17 Education Committee

- (1) *Appointment of the Chair of the Office for Students*:
- (i) Fourth Report, with written evidence, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1143);
 - (ii) Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1143);
- (2) *Education: Are prisoners being left behind?*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1007);
- (3) *Exams 2021*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1068);
- (4) *The impact of COVID-19 on education and children's services*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 254)
- (Robert Halfon).

18 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

- (1) *Air quality and coronavirus: a glimpse of a different future or business as usual*:
- (i) Fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 468);
 - (ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 468);
- (2) *Flooding*:
- (i) Fourth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 170);
 - (ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 170);
- (3) *Correspondence with the Chief Executive of the Rural Payments Agency*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *COVID-19 and food supply: follow up*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1156);
- (5) *Public sector procurement of food*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 469)
- (Neil Parish).

19 Finance Committee

Record of the Committee's decisions taken at its meeting on 2 February, to be published (Lilian Greenwood).

20 Foreign Affairs Committee

- (1) *The UK's role in strengthening multilateral organisations*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 513);
- (2) *Correspondence with the Foreign Secretary relating to the appointment of a Technology Envoy to the United States of America*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Correspondence with the University of Manchester relating to the Committee's inquiry into Xinjiang detention camps*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *The FCO's role in blocking foreign asset stripping in the UK*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 296)
- (Tom Tugendhat).

21 Health and Social Care Committee

(1) *Safety of maternity services in England*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 677);

(2) *Delivering core NHS and care services during the pandemic and beyond*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 320)

(Jeremy Hunt).

22 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

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

23 Justice Committee

(1) *The work of the Sentencing Council*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1184);

(2) *Coronavirus (COVID-19): The impact on prison, probation and court services*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 299);

(3) *Correspondence with the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence with the Minister of State for Justice*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Justice*: Written evidence, to be published

(Sir Robert Neill).

24 Petitions Committee

(1) Record of the Committee's decisions relating to e-petitions, to be published;

(2) List of closed e-petitions presented to the House, to be published

(Catherine McKinnell).

25 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

(1) *The Evolution of Devolution: English Devolution*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 825);

(2) *Correspondence from Chloe Smith MP relating to The Police and Crime Commissioner Elections (Welsh Forms) Order 2021*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence relating to COVID-19 vaccination statistics*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence with Minister of State and Parliamentary Secretary, Cabinet Office relating to relating to Common Frameworks*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence with Minister of State, Cabinet Office relating to COVID-19: Government preparations and contingency planning for local elections in May 2021*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence with the Permanent Secretary of the COVID taskforce*: Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman scrutiny 2019–20*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 843)

(Mr William Wragg).

26 Science and Technology Committee

(1) *A new UK research funding agency*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 778);

(2) *The role of hydrogen in achieving Net Zero*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1066)

(Greg Clark).

27 Science and Technology Committee and Health and Social Care Committee

Coronavirus: lessons learnt: Written evidence, to be published (HC 877)

(Greg Clark).

28 Women and Equalities Committee

(1) *Correspondence with the President of the Gender Recognition Panel with follow-up questions relating to the inquiry on the Gender Recognition Act*: Written evidence, to be published;

(2) *Reform of the Gender Recognition Act*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 884)

(Caroline Nokes).

29 Work and Pensions Committee

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

(Stephen Timms).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

1 Landlord and Tenant

Agricultural Holdings (Units of Production) (England) Order 2021 (SI, 2021, No. 102), dated 29 January 2021 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

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 Member listed in the table below is eligible to have a proxy vote cast on their behalf by the nominated proxy 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
Gary Sambrook	3 February	Stuart Andrew

2. 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 they wish to end their proxy voting arrangement with effect from when the Speaker takes the Chair on the dates specified below:

Member	From
Owen Thompson	2 February