



House of Commons

Wednesday 23 June 2021

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

1 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Scotland

(2) the Prime Minister

2 Urgent Questions: (1) Government plans for social care reform (Helen Whately)

(2) Vaccination of UK military personnel serving overseas (James Heappey)

3 Planning (Proper Maintenance of Land) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Jonathan Gullis presented a Bill to make provision for increased fines for failures to comply with a notice under section 215 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 14 January 2022, and to be printed (Bill 130).

4 Plastic Pollution Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Mr Alistair Carmichael, supported by Ed Davey, Wendy Chamberlain, Wera Hobhouse, Tim Farron, Layla Moran, Sarah Green, Daisy Cooper, Jamie Stone, Christine Jardine, Munira Wilson and Sarah Olney, presented a Bill to set targets for the reduction of plastic pollution; to require the Secretary of State to publish a strategy and annual reports on plastic pollution reduction; to establish an advisory committee on plastic pollution; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 4 February 2022, and to be printed (Bill 131).

5 Armed Forces Bill: Programme (No. 2)

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the Order of 8 February 2021 in the last Session of Parliament (Armed Forces Bill: Programme) be varied as follows:

(1) Paragraphs 4 to 6 of the Order shall be omitted.

(2) Proceedings in Committee of the whole House on recommital, any proceedings on Consideration and proceedings on Third Reading shall be taken in two days in accordance with the following provisions of this Order.

Committee of the whole House

(3) Proceedings in Committee of the whole House shall be taken on the first day and shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at the moment of interruption on the first day.

Consideration and Third Reading

(4) Any proceedings on Consideration and proceedings on Third Reading shall be taken on the second day.

(5) Any proceedings on Consideration shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion one hour before the before the moment of interruption on the second day.

(6) Proceedings on Third Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at the moment of interruption on the second day.—(*James Morris.*)

Question agreed to.

6 Armed Forces Bill, not amended in select committee: Committee of the whole House

The House resolved itself into a Committee (Orders, 8 February, in the last Session of Parliament, 12 May and today).

(In the Committee)

Clause 1 (Duration of Armed Forces Act 2006)

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

7 Deferred Divisions

The Deputy Speaker announced the results of the Division which had been deferred to this day (Standing Order No. 41A).

Adjournment (Conference, November and Christmas)

That this House, at its rising on Thursday 23 September 2021, do adjourn until Monday 18 October 2021; at its rising on Tuesday 9 November 2021, do adjourn until Monday 15 November; and at its rising on Thursday 16 December 2021, do adjourn until Tuesday 4 January 2022.

Division No. 32

Ayes: 568

Noes: 3

Question accordingly agreed to.

8 Armed Forces Bill: Committee of the whole House (resumed)

Clause 1 (Duration of Armed Forces Act 2006)

The House resumed the debate

Question, That the Clause stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clauses 2 to 7 agreed to.

Clause 8 (Armed forces covenant)

Question put, That Amendment 1 be made.—(*Stephen Morgan.*)

The Committee divided.

Division No. 33

Ayes: 271 (Tellers: Sarah Owen, Lilian Greenwood)

Noes: 355 (Tellers: Scott Mann, James Morris)

Question accordingly negatived.

Amendments 8 and 9 made.

Question put, That Amendment 41 be made.—(*Carol Monaghan.*)

The Committee divided.

Division No. 34

Ayes: 273 (Tellers: Marion Fellows, Richard Thomson)

Noes: 354 (Tellers: Scott Mann, James Morris)

Question accordingly negatived.

Amendments 10 to 15 made.

Clause 8, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 9 agreed to.

Clause 10 (Service complaints appeals)

Amendments 16 to 23 made.

Clause 10, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 11 to 13 agreed to.

Clause 14 (Driving disqualification)

Amendments 24 to 30 made.

Clause 14, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 15 to 26 agreed to.

New Clause NC7—(*Stephen Morgan*)—brought up and read the first time.

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

The Committee divided.

Division No. 35

Ayes: 272 (Tellers: Lilian Greenwood, Sarah Owen)

Noes: 355 (Tellers: James Morris, Scott Mann)

Question accordingly negatived.

Schedules 1 and 2 agreed to.

Schedule 3 (Service complaints appeals)

Amendments 31 to 38 made.

Schedule 3, as amended, agreed to.

Schedules 4 and 5 agreed to.

The occupant of the Chair left the Chair to report the Bill (Standing Order No. 83D(6)).

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

Tom Pursglove reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made Amendments.

Bill, as amended, to be considered tomorrownd and to be printed (Bill 132).

9 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Contracts for Difference (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2021, which were laid before this House on 12 May, be approved.—(*Tom Pursglove.*)

Question agreed to.

10 Business of the House (24 June)

Ordered, That, at the sitting on Thursday 24 June—

(1) notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (4) of Standing Order No. 14 (Arrangement of public business), the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister relating to the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership shall have precedence over the business determined by the Backbench Business Committee, and proceedings on that Motion may continue for 90 minutes and shall then lapse if not previously disposed of;

(2) notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (2)(c), as applied by paragraph (4), of Standing Order No. 14 (Arrangement of public business), the business determined by the Backbench Business Committee may be proceeded with until 5.00 pm or for three hours, whichever is the later, and shall then lapse if not previously disposed of;

(3) proceedings on each Motion may be entered upon and continue, though opposed, after the moment of interruption, and Standing Order No. 41A (Deferred divisions) shall not apply.—(*Tom Pursglove.*)

11 Delegated Legislation (Financial Assistance to Industry)

Ordered, That the Motion in the name of Paul Scully relating to Financial Assistance to Industry shall be treated as if it related to an instrument subject to the provisions of Standing Order No. 118 (Delegated Legislation Committees) in respect of which notice has been given that the instrument be approved.—(*Tom Pursglove.*)

12 Adjournment

Subject: English wine week (Andrew Griffith)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Tom Pursglove.*)

Adjourned at 6.14 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

13 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee

Sir Gary Streeter (Chair) reported the draft Customs Safety and Security Procedures (EU Exit) Regulations 2021.

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 Northern Ireland (Ministers, Elections and Petitions of Concern) Bill Committee

Members: Stuart Anderson, Scott Benton, Jack Brereton, Rob Butler, Alex Davies-Jones, Miss Sarah Dines, Colum Eastwood, Stephen Farry, Louise Haigh, Claire Hanna, Scott Mann, Julie Marson, Robbie Moore, Taiwo Owatemi, Gavin Robinson, James Sunderland and Mr Robin Walker

15 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Contracting Out (Functions in Relation to Space) Order 2021, draft Space Industry Regulations 2021, draft Space Industry (Appeals) Regulations 2021 and draft Spaceflight Activities (Investigation of Spaceflight Accidents) Regulations 2021)

Members: Maria Caulfield, David T C Davies, David Duguid, Mike Kane, Barbara Keeley, Rachel Maclean, Alan Mak, Scott Mann, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Tom Pursglove, Ms Marie Rimmer, Mr Virendra Sharma, Mr Barry Sheerman, Richard Thomson, Maggie Throup, Michael Tomlinson and Jon Trickett

16 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 (Juxtaposed Controls) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2021)

Members: Stuart Andrew, Bambos Charalambous, Marion Fellows, Mike Freer, Rebecca Harris, Paul Holmes, Mr Marcus Jones, Tony Lloyd, John McDonnell, Scott Mann, James Morris, Kate Osamor, Taiwo Owatemi, Chris Philp, Tom Pursglove, Christina Rees and David Rutley

17 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications, Deemed Applications, Requests and Site Visits) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2021)

Members: Kevin Brennan, Richard Burgon, Dawn Butler, Ruth Cadbury, Maria Caulfield, John Cryer, David T C Davies, Rebecca Harris, Sir Mark Hendrick, Alan Mak, Scott Mann, James Morris, Christopher Pincher, Tom Pursglove, Ms Marie Rimmer, David Rutley and Jacob Young

18 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Criminal Justice (Electronic Commerce) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2021)

Members: Liam Byrne, Maria Caulfield, Alex Chalk, Chris Clarkson, Rosie Cooper, Alex Cunningham, David Duguid, Rebecca Harris, Meg Hillier, Scott Mann, James Morris, Sarah Owen, Tom Pursglove, David Rutley, Richard Thomson, Maggie Throup and Valerie Vaz

19 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Birmingham Commonwealth Games (Compensation for Enforcement Action) Regulations 2021)

Members: Dawn Butler, Maria Caulfield, David T C Davies, David Duguid, Yvonne Fovargue, Andrew Gwynne, Ms Harriet Harman, Rebecca Harris, Nigel Huddleston, John Lamont, Alison McGovern, Scott Mann, Jessica Morden, James Morris, David Rutley, Richard Thomson and Maggie Throup

20 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Scotland Act 2016 (Social Security) (Consequential Provision) (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 2021)

Members: Ian Byrne, Maria Caulfield, Wendy Chamberlain, David T C Davies, Geraint Davies, Peter Dowd, Mrs Flick Drummond, David Duguid, Vicky Foxcroft, Rebecca Harris, Alan Mak, Scott Mann, James Morris, Mark Tami, Richard Thomson, Maggie Throup and Justin Tomlinson

Reports from Select Committees

21 Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

Net zero and UN climate summits: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 107) (Darren Jones).

22 Defence Committee

(1) *Defending Global Britain in a competitive age*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 166);

(2) *Correspondence with the Minister for Defence People and Veterans relating to Iraqi citizens acting as interpreters for British Armed Forces in Iraq*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *The Navy: purpose and procurement*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 168);

(4) *Women in the Armed Forces: from recruitment to civilian life*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 154)

(Mr Tobias Ellwood).

23 Education Committee

(1) *Accountability hearings*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 82);

(2) *The impact of COVID-19 on education and children's services*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 87)

(Robert Halfon).

24 Environmental Audit Committee

(1) *Biodiversity in the UK: bloom or bust?*: First Report, with Appendices, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 136);

(2) *Water quality in rivers*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 74)

(Philip Dunne).

25 European Scrutiny Committee

(1) Fourth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 121-iv);

(2) *Ministerial correspondence*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 121)

(Sir William Cash).

26 Home Affairs Committee

(1) *Investigation and prosecution of rape*: Oral and part of the written evidence, to be published (HC 193);

(2) *Violence against women and girls*: Part of the written evidence, to be published (HC 138)

(Yvette Cooper).

27 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

The Government's Independent Human Rights Act Review: Third Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 89) (Ms Harriet Harman).

28 International Trade Committee

(1) *Digital trade and data*: First Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 123);

(2) *UK Freeports: Government Response to the Committee's Fourth Report of Session 2019–21*:

(i) Second Special Report, to be printed (HC 453);

(ii) Written evidence, to be published (HC 453);

(3) *UK Export Finance*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 126);

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

(5) *Inward Foreign Direct Investment*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 124);

(Angus Brendan MacNeil).

29 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

(1) *Work of the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 161);

(2) *The experience of minority ethnic and migrant people in Northern Ireland*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 159)

(Simon Hoare).

30 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

(1) *Dissolution and Calling of Parliament Bill*: Oral evidence to be published (HC 376);

(2) *Propriety of governance in light of Greensill*: Written evidence to be published (HC 59);

(4) *The scrutiny of international treaties and other international agreements in the 21st century*: Written evidence to be published (HC 485)

(Mr William Wragg).

31 Science and Technology Committee

Pre-appointment hearing: Government's preferred candidate for the Chair of UK Research and Innovation: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 358) (Greg Clark).

32 Science and Technology Committee and Health and Social Care Committee

Coronavirus: lessons learnt: Written evidence, to be published (HC 92) (Greg Clark).

33 Scottish Affairs Committee

Committee on COP26: Preparing for a successful conference: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 218) (Pete Wishart).

34 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Sixth Report, to be printed (HC 56-vi) (Jessica Morden).

35 Statutory Instruments (Select Committee on)

Fifth Report, to be printed (HC 57-v) (Jessica Morden).

36 Transport Committee

Zero emission vehicles and road pricing: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 27) (Huw Merriman).

37 Treasury Committee

(1) *The work of the Prudential Regulation Authority:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 415);

(2) *Correspondence from mid-sized banks relating to Minimum Requirement for Own Funds and Eligible Liabilities (MREL):* Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Chancellor of the Exchequer relating to appointments to the Monetary Policy Committee:* Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence from the Financial Secretary to the Treasury relating to the UK Infrastructure Bank:* Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary at HM Treasury relating to the Green Book Review 2020:* Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *Correspondence with the Chief Secretary to the Treasury relating to grants and procurement:* Written evidence, to be published;

(7) *Economic impact of coronavirus:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 306);

(8) *Lessons from Greensill Capital:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 151);

(9) *Reappointment of Jill May to the Prudential Regulation Committee:* Written evidence, to be published;

(10) *Reappointment of Professor Julia Black to the Prudential Regulation Committee:* Written evidence, to be published

(Mel Stride).

38 Work and Pensions Committee

(1) *DWP's preparations for changes in the world of work*: First Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 216);

(2) *Children in poverty: Measurements and targets*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 188);

(3) *Correspondence with the Pension Protection Fund and The Pensions Regulator relating to the Fraud Compensation Fund*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *DWP's response to the coronavirus outbreak*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 235);

(5) *Universal Credit: the wait for a first payment*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 190)

(Stephen Timms).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.25 am (Orders, 25 February and 16 June).

Business appointed by the Chairman of Ways and Means (Standing Order No. 10(6))

1 Beauty and wellbeing sector workforce

Resolved, That this House has considered the beauty and wellbeing sector workforce.—*(Carolyn Harris.)*

The sitting was suspended between 10.49 am and 11.00 am.

2 100 years of the Tyne Bridge

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of celebrating 100 years of the Tyne Bridge.—*(Chi Onwurah.)*

The sitting was suspended between 11.22 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Deforestation in the Amazon

Resolved, That this House has considered deforestation in the Amazon.—*(Chris Grayling.)*

4 Levelling up bids in North Somerset

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of levelling up bids in North Somerset.—*(John Penrose.)*

The sitting was suspended between 4.35 pm and 4.50 pm (Orders, 25 February and 16 June).

5 Green energy in the North West

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered green energy in the North West.—(*Mick Whitley*.)

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)).

Resolved, That this House has considered green energy in the North West.

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

Adjourned at 5.49 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Other papers

1 Crown Estate

Integrated Report and Accounts of The Crown Estate for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 311) (Clerk of the House)

2 Duchies of Lancaster and Cornwall

Report and Accounts of the Duchy of Cornwall (by Act) (Kemi Badenoch)

3 Energy

(1) Nuclear Decommissioning Authority Designation of Dungeness B AGR Station Site (by Act) (Anne-Marie Trevelyan)

(2) Nuclear Decommissioning Authority Designation of Hartlepool AGR Station Site (by Act) (Anne-Marie Trevelyan)

(3) Nuclear Decommissioning Authority Designation of Heysham 1 and 2 AGR Station Sites (by Act) (Anne-Marie Trevelyan)

(4) Nuclear Decommissioning Authority Designation of Hinkley Point B AGR Station Site (by Act) (Anne-Marie Trevelyan)

(5) Nuclear Decommissioning Authority Designation of of Hunterston B AGR Station Site (by Act) (Anne-Marie Trevelyan)

(6) Nuclear Decommissioning Authority Designation of Torness AGR Station Site (by Act) (Anne-Marie Trevelyan)

4 Government Resources and Accounts

(1) Report and Accounts of the Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 264) (Secretary George Eustice)

(2) Report and Accounts of the Crown Estate Office for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 254) (Jesse Norman)

5 Highgate Cemetery Bill

Report of the Attorney General on the Highgate Cemetery Bill (by Standing Order) (Attorney General)

6 House of Commons Commission

Report of the House of Commons Commission on Lay Members of the Committee on Standards: Nomination of Candidate (by Standing Order), to be printed (HC 474) (The Speaker)

7 National Audit

(1) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department of Health and Social Care: Test and Trace in England - Progress Update (by Act), to be printed (HC 295) (Clerk of the House)

(2) Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Ministry of Defence: Improving the performance of major equipment contracts (by Act), to be printed (HC 298) (Clerk of the House)

8 National Health Service

Report and Accounts of South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust for 2020–21 (by Act) (Secretary Matt Hancock)

9 Parliamentary Standards

First Report in 2021 from the Speaker's Committee for the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority: Appointment of the Chair of the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority (by Act), to be printed (HC 407) (The Speaker)

10 Reserve Forces

(1) Report under section 56(7) of the Reserve Forces Act 1996 on the making of a call-out order under section 56(1B), dated 22 June 2021, in support of summits, conferences or events (by Act) (James Heapey)

(2) Reserve Land Forces Regulations 2016 Amendment No. 6 (by Act) (James Heapey)

11 Sovereign Grant

Report and Accounts of the Sovereign Grant and Sovereign Grant Reserve for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 313) (Kemi Badenoch)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Voting by proxy

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 Orders of 22 October 2020 and of 25 March and 16 June 2021, 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 22 July 2021, unless the arrangement is ended or the House otherwise orders.

Member	From	Proxy
Christine Jardine	23 June	Wendy Chamberlain
Mr Alistair Carmichael	23 June	Wendy Chamberlain
Gary Sambrook	24 June	Stuart Andrew
Marion Fellows	24 June	Owen Thompson
Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown	28 June	Stuart Andrew