



House of Commons

Wednesday 2 February 2022

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

1 Questions to the Secretary of State for Scotland

2 Speaker's Statement: Accusations of lying

3 Questions to the Prime Minister

4 Speaker's Statement: Tributes to Jack Dromey

5 Urgent Question: Independent Office of Police Conduct report on Metropolitan Police Officers' conduct: Charing Cross Police Station (Kit Malthouse)

6 Statement: Levelling Up (Secretary Michael Gove)

7 Air Pollution (Local Authority Audits) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Mr Barry Sheerman, supported by Caroline Lucas, Geraint Davies, Luke Pollard, Helen Hayes, Christine Jardine, Neil Parish and Dame Angela Eagle, presented a Bill to make provision for local authorities to conduct annual audits of air pollution in their area and associated emissions by public and private entities; to require those local authorities to prepare reports on those audits; to require the Secretary of State to report annually to Parliament on those audit reports; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 18 March, and to be printed (Bill 244).

8 Ministerial Disclosure (Fixed Penalty Notices) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)

Mr Alistair Carmichael, supported by Ed Davey, Daisy Cooper, Wendy Chamberlain, Tim Farron, Layla Moran, Christine Jardine, Jamie Stone, Wera Hobhouse, Sarah Olney, Munira Wilson and Sarah Green, presented a Bill to require Ministers of the Crown to disclose that they have been issued with a fixed penalty notice; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 25 February, and to be printed (Bill 245).

9 Carbon Emissions (Buildings): 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 whole-life carbon emissions of buildings to be reported; to set limits on embodied carbon emissions in the construction of buildings; and for connected purposes;

That Duncan Baker, Jerome Mayhew, Mr Richard Holden, Anthony Browne, Cheryllyn Mackrory, Sir Robert Goodwill, Ian Levy, John McNally, Helen Hayes, James Gray, Dr Matthew Offord and Caroline Lucas present the Bill.

Duncan Baker accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 18 March, and to be printed (Bill 246).

10 Finance (No. 2) Bill: Ways and Means (Freeport Reliefs)

Resolved, That provision may be made amending sections 45R and 270BNC of the Capital Allowances Act 2001 and paragraph 12 of Schedule 6C to the Finance Act 2003.—(*Lucy Frazer*.)

11 Finance (No. 2) Bill: Ways and Means (Vehicle Excise Duty: Exemption for Cabotage Operations)

Resolved, That provision may be made conferring a power on the Treasury to make provision for the temporary extension of cabotage rights, as provided by Resolution 41 of the House of 2 November 2021 (Vehicle excise duty (exemption for cabotage operations)), to apply at times after 30 April 2022.—(*Lucy Frazer*.)

12 Finance (No. 2) Bill: Ways and Means

Resolved, That provision may be made for a new tax to be charged in circumstances where a business for which there is a special administration regime becomes subject to special administration or to other special measures in connection with insolvency.—(*Lucy Frazer*.)

13 Finance (No. 2) Bill: Consideration of the Bill, as amended in Committee and the Public Bill Committee

New Clause NC1—(*Lucy Frazer*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That New Clause NC1 be read a second time.

At 6.00 pm, proceedings were interrupted (Programme Order, 16 November 2021).

The Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary to bring proceedings on consideration to a conclusion (Programme Order, 16 November 2021).

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

(1) That New Clause NC1 be read a second time (Question already proposed from the Chair)

Question agreed to.

(2) That New Clause NC1 be added to the Bill (Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question already proposed)—(*Lucy Frazer*.)

Question agreed to.

(3) That New Clause NC3 be added to the Bill (Question on new Clause moved by a Minister of the Crown)—(*Lucy Frazer*.)

Question agreed to.

(4) That New Clause NC17 be added to the Bill (Question on new Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision)—(*Alison Thewliss.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 180

Ayes: 228 (Tellers: Richard Thomson, Marion Fellows)

Noes: 306 (Tellers: Craig Whittaker, Alan Mak)

Question accordingly negated.

(5) That New Clause NC27 be added to the Bill (Question on new Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision)—(*Layla Moran.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 181

Ayes: 230 (Tellers: Wendy Chamberlain, Tim Farron)

Noes: 301 (Tellers: Alan Mak, Craig Whittaker)

Question accordingly negated.

(6) That Amendment 35 be made (Amendment selected by the Speaker for separate decision)—(*James Murray.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 182

Ayes: 228 (Tellers: Mary Glendon, Sarah Owen)

Noes: 301 (Tellers: Alan Mak, Craig Whittaker)

Question accordingly negated.

(7) That Amendments 1 to 13 be made (Single Question on Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown)—(*Lucy Frazer.*)

Question agreed to.

(8) That New Schedule NS1 and New Schedule NS2 be added to the Bill (Single Question on new Schedules moved by a Minister of the Crown)—(*Lucy Frazer.*)

Question agreed to.

(9) That Amendments 14 to 33 be made (Single Question on Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown)—(*Lucy Frazer.*)

Question agreed to.

14 Finance (No. 2) Bill: Third Reading

Motion made and Question put, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House divided.

Division No. 183

Ayes: 302 (Tellers: Alan Mak, Craig Whittaker)

Noes: 226 (Tellers: Sarah Owen, Liz Twist)

Question accordingly agreed to and Bill passed.

15 Statutory Instruments: Motion for Approval

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Non-Domestic Rating (Levy and Safety Net) (Amendment) Regulations 2022, which were laid before this House on 10 January, be approved.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Question agreed to.

16 Adjournment

Subject: Army Reserve (Mr Richard Bacon)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Scott Mann.*)

Adjourned at 7.33 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Changes to Notices Given

17 Ministerial Interests (Emergency Powers) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

18 Child Criminal Exploitation Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

19 Evictions (Universal Credit) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

20 Housing Standards (Refugees and Asylum Seekers) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

21 Asylum Seekers (Permission to Work) (No. 2) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

22 Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman (Powers) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

23 Under-Occupancy Penalty (Report) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

24 Social Security Benefits (Healthy Eating) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

25 Benefit Sanctions (Warnings) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

26 Universal Credit Sanctions (Zero Hours Contracts) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

27 Asylum Seekers (Accommodation Eviction Procedures) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

28 Disability Benefit Assessments (Recording) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

29 Full Employment Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

30 Health and Safety at Work Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

31 Corporate Homicide Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

32 Workers (Rights and Definition) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 4 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

General Committees: Reports

33 Pension Schemes (Conversion of Guaranteed Minimum Pensions) Bill

Clive Efford (Chair) reported the Bill without Amendment.

Bill, not amended, to be considered on Friday 25 February.

34 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee

Mr Derek Twigg (Chair) reported the draft Passenger, Crew and Service Information (Civil Penalties) (Amendment) Regulations 2022.

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).

35 Product Security and Telecommunications Infrastructure Bill Committee

Chairs: Sir George Howarth and Caroline Nokes

36 Taxis and Private Hire Vehicles (Disabled Persons) Bill Committee

(1) Chair: Mrs Sheryll Murray

(2) Members: Siobhan Baillie, Simon Baynes, Kevin Brennan, Mr Alistair Carmichael, Sarah Champion, Wayne David, Sir David Evennett, Gill Furniss, Sally-Ann Hart, Dame Meg Hillier, Julie Marson, Mrs Maria Miller, Mr Gagan Mohindra, Wendy Morton, Nicola Richards, Owen Thompson and Jeremy Wright

37 First Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (Amendment) Regulations 2022)

(1) Chair: Mr Laurence Robertson

(2) Members: Rushanara Ali, Gareth Bacon, Mr Steve Baker, Mr John Baron, Simon Baynes, Dame Angela Eagle, John Glen, Peter Grant, Emma Hardy, Dame Margaret Hodge, Alan Mak, Joy Morrissey, Tulip Siddiq, Henry Smith, Julian Sturdy, Liz Twist and Craig Williams

38 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Representation of the People (Proxy Vote Applications) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2022)

(1) Chair: Dr Rupa Huq

(2) Members: Debbie Abrahams, Lucy Allan, Stuart Anderson, Ben Bradley, Joanna Cherry, Elliot Colburn, Tracey Crouch, Colleen Fletcher, James Grundy, Luke Hall, Eddie Hughes, Mr Kevan Jones, Danny Kruger, Scott Mann, Alex Norris, Stephen Timms and Nadia Whittome

39 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Divorce, Dissolution and Separation Act 2020 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2022)

(1) Chair: Peter Dowd

(2) Members: Tahir Ali, Sara Britcliffe, Jon Cruddas, Alex Cunningham, Katherine Fletcher, Richard Graham, John Howell, Robert Langan, Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck, Tony Lloyd, Scott Mann, Mark Menzies, Joy Morrissey, Sarah Owen, Tom Pursglove, Christina Rees and Suzanne Webb

40 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Waste and Agriculture (Legislative Functions) Regulations 2022)

(1) Chair: Mr Peter Bone

(2) Members: Sir Paul Beresford, Jo Churchill, Theo Clarke, Dr James Davies, Martin Docherty-Hughes, Peter Dowd, James Duddridge, David Duguid, Yvonne Fovargue, Mary Glendon, Kim Johnson, Darren Jones, Fay Jones, Ruth Jones, Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger, Robbie Moore and Mrs Heather Wheeler

41 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Immigration and Nationality (Fees) (Amendment) Order 2022)

(1) Chair: Mr Philip Hollobone

(2) Members: Gareth Bacon, Crispin Blunt, Steven Bonnar, Andrew Bridgen, Paul Bristow, Clive Efford, Chris Elmore, Kevin Foster, Adam Holloway, Dr Rupa Huq, Mr David Jones, Sarah Jones, Marco Longhi, John McDonnell, Craig Mackinlay, Catherine McKinnell and Craig Whittaker

*Reports from Select Committees***42 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee**

Fisheries negotiation outcome: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1061) (Neil Parish).

43 Environmental Audit Committee

Outcomes of COP26: Written evidence, to be published (HC 933) (Philip Dunne).

44 Home Affairs Committee

(1) *The Windrush Compensation Scheme: Government's Response to the Committee's Fifth Report*: Third Special Report, to be printed (HC 1098);

(2) *Work of the Home Secretary*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 192);

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister for Safe and Legal Migration relating to changes to the Windrush Schemes*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Spiking*: Part of the written evidence, to be published (HC 967)

(Dame Diana Johnson).

45 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

(1) *Human Rights Act Reform*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1033);

(2) *The Government's Independent Human Rights Act Review*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 89)

(Joanna Cherry).

46 International Trade Committee

(1) *Correspondence from the Chair of the Trade Remedies Authority relating to anti-dumping measures on steel from China*: Written evidence, to be published;

(2) *UK Export Finance Supplementary Estimate 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published;

- (3) *UK trade negotiations*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 127);
- (4) *UK trade negotiations: Agreement with Australia*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1002);
- (5) *UK trade negotiations: Agreement with India*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1037)
- (Angus Brendan MacNeil).

47 Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Committee

- (1) *Building Safety: Remediation and funding*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1063);
- (2) *Correspondence from Homes England*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Correspondence with the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) *Correspondence with the Minister for Building Safety and Fire*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) *Correspondence with the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing*: Written evidence, to be published;
- (6) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman*: Written evidence, to be published
- (Mr Clive Betts).

48 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

* This item has been corrected since publication. See the Votes and Proceedings from Wednesday 9 March 2022 for details.

Investment in Northern Ireland: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 792) (Simon Hoare).

49 Public Accounts (Committee of)

- (1) *HMRC Performance in 2020–21*: Thirty-seventh Report, to be printed, with formal minutes relating to the report (HC 641);
- (2) *COVID-19 cost tracker update*: Thirty-eighth Report, to be printed, with formal minutes relating to the report (HC 640);
- (3) *Improving outcomes for women in the criminal justice system*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 997)
- (Dame Meg Hillier).

50 Science and Technology Committee

- (1) *Reproducibility and research integrity*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 606);
- (2) *Diversity in STEM*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 903);
- (3) *R&D investment*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 785);
- (4) *The role of research, technology and innovation in the COVID-19 recovery*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 95)
- (Greg Clark).

51 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Twenty-Third Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 56-xxiii) (Jessica Morden).

52 Transport Committee

Integrated rail plan: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 974) (Huw Merriman).

53 Treasury Committee

The work of HMRC: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1095) (Mel Stride).

54 Welsh Affairs Committee

The economic and cultural impacts of trade and environmental policy on family farms in Wales: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 607) (Stephen Crabb).

55 Women and Equalities Committee

(1) *Ethnicity Pay Gap Reporting*: Fourth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 998);

(2) *The rights of cohabiting partners*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 130);

(3) *Correspondence from Minister for Levelling Up Communities and Equalities relating to the Equality Data Programme*: Written evidence, to be published (Caroline Nokes).

56 Work and Pensions Committee

(1) *Health and Safety Executive's approach to asbestos management*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 560);

(2) *Correspondence and report from the National Centre for Social Research relating to Uses of Health and Disability Benefits*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with the Minister for Pensions and Financial Inclusion relating to the recruitment of the new Pensions Ombudsman*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Correspondence with the Minister for Pensions relating to the payment of arrears to Pension Protection Fund and Financial Assistance Scheme members*: Written evidence, to be published;

(5) *Correspondence with the Minister for Small Business, Consumers and Labour Markets relating to Universal Credit fraud*: Written evidence, to be published (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 Government approval for the use of neonicotinoids and the impact on bees

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of Government approval for the use of neonicotinoids and the impact on bees.—(*Luke Pollard*.)

2 Redevelopment of Kettering General Hospital

Resolved, That this House has considered the redevelopment of Kettering General Hospital.—(*Mr Philip Hollobone*.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.28 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Prescription charge exemption and cystic fibrosis

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of prescription charge exemption and cystic fibrosis.—(*Paul Maynard*.)

The sitting was suspended between 3.41 pm and 4.00 pm.

4 Human rights and the UK-Andean Trade Agreement

Resolved, That this House has considered human rights and the UK-Andean Trade Agreement.—(*Tony Lloyd*.)

5 Potential effect of provisions in the Nationality and Borders Bill on LGBTQ+ people

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the potential effect of provisions in the Nationality and Borders Bill on LGBTQ+ people.—(*Olivia Blake*.)

At 5.30 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(14)).

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 Affirmative Resolution

1 Police

Police Grant Report (England and Wales) for 2022–23 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1084) (Secretary Priti Patel)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Data Protection

Information Commissioner's Office: International Data Transfer Agreement (by Act) with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Julia Lopez)

Other papers

3 Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

Levelling Up the United Kingdom (by Command) (CP 604) (Secretary Michael Gove)

4 Water Industry

Government's Strategic Priorities for Ofwat (by Act) (Secretary George Eustice)

Withdrawn papers

5 Data Protection

Information Commissioner's Office: International Data Transfer Agreement with an Explanatory Memorandum (laid 28 January)

* A previous version of this Votes and Proceedings was published without the following certificate. Please see the correction in the Votes and Proceedings relating to Monday 21 February 2022.

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Finance (No. 2) Bill

The Speaker has certified that the Finance (No. 2) Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act 1911.