



# House of Commons

Tuesday 22 February 2022

## Votes and Proceedings

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The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

**1 Selection**

*Ordered*, That Stuart Andrew be discharged from the Committee of Selection and Christopher Pincher be added.—(*Michael Tomlinson*.)

**2 Questions to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy**

**3 Statement: Ukraine update (The Prime Minister)**

**4 House of Lords (Retirement Age) Bill: Presentation (Standing Order No. 57)**

Jerome Mayhew presented a Bill to introduce a retirement age of 75 for members of the House of Lords; and for connected purposes.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 18 March, and to be printed (Bill 256).

**5 Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (Status): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)**

*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for corporate status of and for certain privileges and immunities to be accorded to the international inter-parliamentary organisation of national and sub-national legislatures of Commonwealth countries known as the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and to its Secretary-General; and for connected purposes.

That Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger, Julie Elliott, Andrew Rosindell, David Mundell, Bob Blackman, Mrs Maria Miller, Harriett Baldwin, Theo Clarke, Steve Brine, Sarah Champion, Chris Elmore and Dr Lisa Cameron present the Bill.

Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 25 February, and to be printed (Bill 257).

**6 Charities Bill [Lords]: Consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Public Bill Committee**

No amendments on consideration.

**7 Charities Bill [Lords]: Third Reading**

Christopher Pincher signified Queen's consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned.

Christopher Pincher signified Prince of Wales's consent, as far as his interest is concerned. Bill read the third time, and passed with an Amendment.

**8 Public Service Pensions and Judicial Offices Bill [Lords]: Programme (No. 2)**

*Ordered*, That the Order of 5 January 2022 (Public Service Pensions and Judicial Offices Bill [Lords] (Programme)) be varied as follows:

(1) Paragraphs (4) and (5) of the Order shall be omitted.

(2) Proceedings on Consideration shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion two hours after the commencement of proceedings on the motion for this Order.

(3) Proceedings on Third Reading shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the motion for this Order.—(*Mr Simon Clarke*.)

**9 Public Service Pensions and Judicial Offices Bill [Lords]: Consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Public Bill Committee**

New Clause NC7—(*Mr Simon Clarke*)—brought up, read the first time and second time, and added to the Bill.

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

Motion made and Question put, That New Clause NC1 be read a second time.

The House divided.

Division No. 190

Ayes: 299 (Tellers: Steve Double, Gareth Johnson)

Noes: 81 (Tellers: Ms Anum Qaisar, Marion Fellows)

Question accordingly agreed to.

New Clause NC1 accordingly read a second time.

New Clause NC1 added to the Bill.

As it was more than two hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Public Service Pensions and Judicial Offices Bill [Lords]: Programme (No. 2) Motion, the Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary to bring proceedings to a conclusion (Programme Order, today).

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

(1) That New Clause NC8 be added to the Bill (New Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Tulip Siddiq*.)

The House divided.

Division No. 191

Ayes: 198 (Tellers: Liz Twist, Mary Glendon)

Noes: 301 (Tellers: Steve Double, Gareth Johnson)

Question accordingly negatived.

(2) That Amendments 1 to 21 be made (single Question on remaining Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*Mr Simon Clarke*.)

Question agreed to.

**10 Public Service Pensions and Judicial Offices Bill [Lords]: Third Reading**

Bill read the third time, and passed with Amendments.

**11 Business of the House (Today)**

*Ordered*, That, at this day's sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 16 (1) (Proceedings under an Act or on European Union documents), proceedings on the motion in the name of James Cleverly relating to the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 123), shall be brought to a conclusion three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the motion for this Order; the Speaker shall then put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on that motion forthwith; such proceedings may be entered upon, though opposed, after the moment of interruption; and Standing Order No. 41A (Deferred divisions) shall not apply.—(*Mark Spencer*.)

**12 Sanctions**

*Resolved*, That the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 123), dated 10 February 2022, a copy of which was laid before this House on 10 February, be approved.—(*James Cleverly*.)

**13 Statutory Instruments (Motions for Approval)**

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft North Yorkshire (Structural Changes) Order 2022, which was laid before this House on 24 January, be approved.—(*Gareth Johnson*.)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Occupational Pension Schemes (Collective Money Purchase Schemes) Regulations 2022, which were laid before this House on 17 January, be approved.—(*Gareth Johnson*.)

Question agreed to.

**14 Adjournment**

Subject: Murder of WPC Yvonne Fletcher in April 1984 (Allan Dorans)

*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Gareth Johnson*.)

Adjourned at 7.46 pm until tomorrow.

## Other Proceedings

### *Changes to Notices Given*

**15 House of Lords (Elected Senate) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 25 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 18 March.

**16 Ministerial Disclosure (Fixed Penalty Notices) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 25 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 18 March.

**17 Social Housing (Emergency Protection of Tenancy Rights) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 25 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 18 March.

**18 Immigration (Health and Social Care Staff) Bill**

Order for Second Reading on Friday 25 February, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 18 March.

*General Committees: Reports***19 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee**

Sir Gary Streeter (Chair) reported the draft Social Security (Contributions) (Rates, Limits and Thresholds Amendments and National Insurance Funds Payments) Regulations 2022 and the draft Tax Credits, Child Benefit and Guardian's Allowance Up-rating 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).*

**20 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (draft Social Security (Contributions) (Rates, Limits and Thresholds Amendments and National Insurance Funds Payments) Regulations 2022 and draft Tax Credits, Child Benefit and Guardian's Allowance Up-rating Regulations 2022)**

Members: Alan Brown discharged and David Linden nominated in substitution.

*Reports from Select Committees***21 Backbench Business Committee**

Transcript of representations made on Tuesday 22 February to be published (Ian Mearns).

**22 Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee**

(1) *The revised draft National Policy Statements on Energy*: Ninth Report, to be printed with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1151);

(2) *Correspondence with the Minister for Business, Energy and Corporate Responsibility relating to the Company Law Common Framework*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence with the Minister for Small Business, Consumers and Labour Markets relating to issues at Royal Mail*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Post Office and Horizon*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 106)

(Darren Jones).

**23 Defence Committee**

(1) *“We’re going to need a bigger Navy”*: Government Response to the Committee’s Third Report of Session 2021–22: Fifth Special Report of Session 2021–22, to be printed (HC 1160);

(2) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to GE Steam Power announcement*: Written evidence, to be published

(Tobias Ellwood).

**24 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee**

(1) *Promoting Britain abroad*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 856);

(2) *Influencer culture*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 258);

(3) *The work of the Commissioner for Public Appointments*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 982);

(4) *The work of the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 44)

(Julian Knight).

**25 Education Committee**

(1) *Educational challenges of Children and Young people from Gypsy, Roma and Traveller background*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 963);

(2) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State on guidance to schools on political impartiality*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Ofqual Supplementary Estimates Memorandum for 2021–22*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *The Government’s Catch-up Programme*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 940);

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

(Robert Halfon).

**26 Foreign Affairs Committee**

(1) *Correspondence with the Minister for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean relating to the Office for Conflict, Stabilisation and Mediation*: Written evidence, to be published;

(2) *Implementing the Integrated Review in Nigeria*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 202)

(Tom Tugendhat).

**27 Health and Social Care Committee**

(1) *Pre-appointment hearing for the position of Chair of the Care Quality Commission*:

(i) Eleventh Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1091);

(ii) Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1091);

(2) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Primary Care and Patient Safety relating to the future of the Maternity Investigation Programme*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to tackling the COVID-19 backlog*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Expert Panel: evaluation of the Government's commitments in the area of cancer services in England*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 1025);

(5) *Food Standards Agency Supplementary Estimate 2021-22*: Written evidence, to be published;

(6) *The future of General Practice*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 892)  
(Jeremy Hunt).

## 28 International Development Committee

(1) *UK aid spending alignment with Paris Agreement*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 1116);

(2) *Afghanistan*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 919)  
(Sarah Champion).

## 29 Justice Committee

(1) *Fraud and the Justice System*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 961);

(2) *Correspondence from the Chief Coroner*: Written evidence, to be published;

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

(4) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State*: Written evidence, to be published  
(Sir Robert Neill).

## 30 Transport Committee

(1) *Correspondence from the Chair to the Minister of State for Transport relating to major rail travel disruptions during severe weather*: Written evidence, to be published;

(2) *Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Transport relating to London Southeastern rail franchise*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Fuelling the future: motive power and connectivity*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 973);

(4) *Road freight supply chain*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 828)  
(Huw Merriman).

*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 India and UK trade negotiations**

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered India and UK trade negotiations.—(*Bob Blackman.*)

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

**2 Sustainable intensification and metrics in agriculture**

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered sustainable intensification and metrics in agriculture.—(*Julian Sturdy.*)

At 11.30 am, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

*The sitting was suspended between 11.30 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).*

**3 Provision of legal aid in the North West**

*Resolved*, That this House has considered the provision of legal aid in the North West.—(*Rebecca Long Bailey.*)

*The sitting was suspended between 3.22 pm and 4.00 pm.*

**4 The cost of living in Wales**

*The sitting was suspended between 4.07 pm and 4.28 pm for divisions in the House (Standing Order No. 10(3)).*

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the cost of living in Wales.—(*Jessica Morden.*)

At 4.49 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

**5 Kinship care for babies**

*Resolved*, That this House has considered kinship care for babies.—(*Andrea Leadsom.*)

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

### Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

**1 Public Health**

Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Self-Isolation etc.) (Revocation) (England) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 161), dated 22 February 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Maggie Throup)

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## Other papers

### 2 Energy

Capacity Market (Amendment) Rules (by Act) (Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng)

### 3 Healthcare (European Economic Area and Switzerland Arrangements)

Report on payments made under the Healthcare (European Economic Area and Switzerland Arrangements) Act 2019 for the period 31 December 2020 to 31 March 2021 (by Act) (Edward Argar)

### 4 Justice

Monitoring places of detention during COVID-19: Twelfth Annual Report of the United Kingdom's National Preventive Mechanism (by Command) (CP 607) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

### 5 Supply Estimates, 2021–22

(1) Supplementary Estimate for the Electoral Commission for 2021–22 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1135) (The Speaker)

(2) Supplementary Estimate for the House of Commons Administration for 2021–22 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1120) (The Speaker)

(3) Supplementary Estimate for the Local Government Boundary Commission for England for 2021–22 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1005) (The Speaker)

(4) Supplementary Estimates for Central Government for 2021–22 (by Command), to be printed (HC 1152) (Mr Simon Clarke)

### 6 Supply Estimates, 2022–23

(1) Estimates for which a Vote on Account is required for Central Government for 2022–23 (by Command), to be printed (HC 1153) (Mr Simon Clarke)

(2) Estimates for which a Vote on Account is required for the Electoral Commission for 2022–23 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1134) (The Speaker)

(3) Estimates for which a Vote on Account is required for the House of Commons Administration for 2022–23 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1119) (The Speaker)

(4) Estimates for which a Vote on Account is required for the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority for 2022–23 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1159) (The Speaker)

(5) Estimates for which a Vote on Account is required for the Local Government Boundary Commission for 2022–23 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1004) (The Speaker)

(6) Estimates for which a Vote on Account is required for the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body for 2022–23 (by Act), to be printed (HC 1155) (Dame Eleanor Laing)

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## SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

### Variation of proxy voting arrangement

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), that Liz Kendall has given notice that she wishes to vary her proxy vote arrangement. On 28 February only, her nominated proxy will be Chris Elmore. With effect from 1 March, her nominated proxy will again be Pat McFadden.



#### New proxy voting arrangement

The Speaker has certified, under the terms of Standing Order No. 39A (Voting by proxy), that Jonathan Gullis is eligible to have a proxy vote cast on his behalf, starting from 23 February and finishing on 6 March. The nominated proxy is Christopher Pincher.