



House of Commons

Tuesday 11 March 2014

PUBLIC BILL COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND COURTS BILL

[FIRST AND SECOND SITTINGS]

Mr Shailesh Vara

Agreed to

That—

- (1) the Committee shall (in addition to its first meeting at 8.55 am on Tuesday 11 March) meet—
 - (a) at 2.00 pm on Tuesday 11 March;
 - (b) at 11.30 am and 2.00 pm on Thursday 13 March;
 - (c) at 8.55 am and 2.00 pm on Tuesday 18 March;
 - (d) at 11.30 am and 2.00 pm on Thursday 20 March;
 - (e) at 8.55 am and 2.00 pm on Tuesday 25 March;
 - (f) at 11.30 am and 2.00 pm on Thursday 27 March;
 - (g) at 8.55 am and 2.00 pm on Tuesday 1 April;
- (2) the Committee shall hear oral evidence in accordance with the following Table:

TABLE

| <i>Date</i> | <i>Time</i> | <i>Witness</i> |
|------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Tuesday 11 March | Until no later than 9.30 am | Office of the Children's Commissioner |
| Tuesday 11 March | Until no later than 10.30 am | Magistrates' Association; Howard League for Penal Reform; Criminal Justice Alliance |
| Tuesday 11 March | Until no later than 11.25 am | Civitas; Standing Committee for Youth Justice; Education Links; John D'Abbro, New Rush Hall School |
| Tuesday 11 March | Until no later than 2.30 pm | Public and Commercial Services Union; Trades Union Congress |
| Tuesday 11 March | Until no later than 3.15 pm | Prison Reform Trust; Prisoners' Education Trust |

Criminal Justice and Courts Bill, *continued*

| <i>Date</i> | <i>Time</i> | <i>Witness</i> |
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| Tuesday 11 March | Until no later than 3.45 pm | Victims' Services Alliance |
| Tuesday 11 March | Until no later than 4.30 pm | Survivors Trust; Shelter |
| Tuesday 11 March | Until no later than 5.00 pm | Law Commission |
| Tuesday 11 March | Until no later than 6.00 pm | Law Society; Bar Council |
| Thursday 13 March | Until no later than 12.30 pm | Liberty; JUSTICE; Public Law Project |
| Thursday 13 March | Until no later than 1.00 pm | British Board of Film Classification |
| Thursday 13 March | Until no later than 2.30 pm | Criminal Bar Association; Constitutional and Administrative Law Bar Association |
| Thursday 13 March | Until no later than 3.00 pm | Professor Cheryl Thomas, University College London |
| Thursday 13 March | Until no later than 4.00 pm | Nick Armstrong, Matrix Chambers; Nicola Mackintosh, Mackintosh Law; Adam Wagner, One Crown Office Row; Michael Fordham QC, Blackstone Chambers |
| Thursday 13 March | Until no later than 4.45 pm | Angus Walker, Bircham Dyson Bell; Taylor Wimpey; Campaign to Protect Rural England |

- (3) proceedings on consideration of the Bill in Committee shall be taken in the following order: Clauses 1 to 5; Schedule 1; Clause 6; Schedule 2; Clauses 7 to 17; Schedule 3; Clause 18; Schedule 4; Clauses 19 to 28; Schedule 5; Clause 29; Schedule 6; Clauses 30 to 46; Schedule 7; Clause 47; Schedule 8; Clauses 48 to 57; new Clauses; new Schedules; Clauses 58 to 63; remaining proceedings on the Bill;
- (4) the proceedings shall (so far as not previously concluded) be brought to a conclusion at 5.00 pm on Tuesday 1 April.

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To move, That, subject to the discretion of the Chair, any written evidence received by the Committee shall be reported to the House for publication.

Agreed to

Criminal Justice and Courts Bill, *continued*

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To move, That, at this and any subsequent meeting at which oral evidence is to be heard, the Committee shall sit in private until the witnesses are admitted.

Agreed to

The following witnesses gave oral evidence:

Sue Berelowitz, Deputy Commissioner, Children's Commissioner;

Richard Monkhouse, Chairman, Magistrates' Association; Frances Crook, Chief Executive, The Howard League for Penal Reform; Sarah Salmon, Interim Director, Criminal Justice Alliance; Professor Malcolm Davies, Professor, Law School, UWL, Civitas; Penelope Gibbs, Standing Committee for Youth Justice; John D'Abbro, Head Teacher, New Rush Hall School; Sandy Davies, Principal, Education Links;

Alison Burt, Vice President, PCS Ministry of Justice Group, Public and Commercial Services Union; Sally Brett, Senior Equality Policy Officer, Trades Union Congress;

Juliet Lyon, Director, Prison Reform Trust; Nina Champion, Head of Policy, Prisoners' Education Trust;

Jeff Gardner, Locality Director for London, Victim Support, Victims Services Alliance;

Fay Maxted, Chief Executive, The Survivor's Trust; John Gallagher, Principal Solicitor, Shelter; Professor David Ormerod, head the Criminal Law team, The Law Commission;

Nicholas Fluck, President, Law Society; Nicholas Lavender QC, Chair, Bar Council.

[Adjourned until Thursday at 11.30 am