



HOUSE OF COMMONS

Tuesday 13 June 2017

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 2.30 pm.

1 Meeting of the House

The House met on the first day of this Parliament, pursuant to Proclamation.

David Natzler, Clerk of the House of Commons, John Benger, Clerk Assistant, and Philippa Helme, Principal Clerk of the Table Office, attended in the House, and the other Clerks attended, according to their duty.

Ceri King, Deputy Clerk of the Crown in Chancery in Great Britain, delivered to the said John Benger a book containing a list of the names of the Members returned to serve in this Parliament.

Mr Kenneth Clarke took the Chair (Standing Order No. 1).

2 Message to attend the Lords Commissioners

Message from the Lords Commissioners delivered by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Members of the House of Commons,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers.

3 Attendance in the House of Lords

The House went up to the House of Lords.

The Commission was read for opening and holding the Parliament and the Lords Commissioners directed the House to proceed to the election of a Speaker, and to present the Speaker Elect in the House of Lords, for the Royal Approbation.

The House returned.

4 Re-election of former Speaker

Mr Kenneth Clarke inquired whether John Bercow, as the Member who was Speaker at the dissolution of the previous Parliament, was willing to be chosen as Speaker (Standing Order No. 1A).

John Bercow stood up in his place, indicated that he was willing to be so chosen, and submitted himself to the House.

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 1A), That John Bercow do take the Chair of this House as Speaker.—(*Mrs Cheryl Gillan.*)

Question agreed to.

Mr Kenneth Clarke left the Chair.

John Bercow was taken out of his place and conducted to the Chair by Alison McGovern, Mrs Helen Grant and Sir Peter Bottomley.

John Bercow, standing on the upper step, expressed his respectful and humble acknowledgement to the House of the great honour the House had been pleased to confer upon him, and sat down in the Chair.

The Mace was placed upon the Table.

The Prime Minister, Jeremy Corbyn, Stewart Hosie, Tim Farron, Mr Nigel Dodds, Hywel Williams and Caroline Lucas congratulated the Speaker Elect.

5 **Adjournment**

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn until tomorrow at 2.40 pm.—(*Guy Opperman*.)

Adjourned at 3.27 pm until tomorrow.

John Bercow

Speaker Elect