



HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday 17 January 2018

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

**1 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for International Development
(2) the Prime Minister**

2 Private Landlords (Registration): Motion for leave to bring in a Bill (Standing Order No. 23)

Motion made and Question proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require all private landlords in England to be registered; and for connected purposes.—(*Phil Wilson.*)

Motion opposed (Standing Order No. 23(1))

Question put and agreed to.

Ordered, That Phil Wilson, Anna Turley, Bridget Phillipson, Grahame Morris, Graham P Jones, Mr Kevan Jones, Stephen Timms, Ian Austin, Gareth Snell, Liz Kendall, Toby Perkins and Conor McGinn present the Bill.

Phil Wilson accordingly presented the Bill.

Bill read the first time; to be read a second time on Friday 27 April, and to be printed (Bill 152).

3 European Union (Withdrawal) Bill (Report Stage): Consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Committee of the whole House (second day)

New Clause NC1—(*Matthew Pennycook*)—brought up and read the first time.

Question proposed that the Clause be read a second time.

At 4.30 pm the debate was interrupted (Programme Order, 16 January).

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

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).

The House divided.

Division No. 96.

Ayes: 305 (Tellers: Jeff Smith, Nick Smith).

Noes: 318 (Tellers: Amanda Milling, Nigel Adams).

Question accordingly negatived.

(2) That new Clause NC6 be added to the Bill (Question on new Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Mr Chris Leslie.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 97.

Ayes: 298 (Tellers: Stephen Doughty, Heidi Alexander).

Noes: 322 (Tellers: Amanda Milling, Nigel Adams).

Question accordingly negatived.

(3) That new Clause NC11 be added to the Bill (Question on new Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Tom Brake.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 98.

Ayes: 301 (Tellers: Sir Edward Davey, Mr Alistair Carmichael).

Noes: 320 (Tellers: Amanda Milling, Nigel Adams).

Question accordingly negatived.

(4) That new Clause NC12 be added to the Bill (Question on new Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Mary Creagh.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 99.

Ayes: 301 (Tellers: Heidi Alexander, Stephen Doughty).

Noes: 318 (Tellers: Amanda Milling, Nigel Adams).

Question accordingly negatived.

(5) That new Clause NC17 be added to the Bill (Question on new Clause selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Ian Murray.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 100.

Ayes: 301 (Tellers: Martin Whitfield, Heidi Alexander).

Noes: 320 (Tellers: David Rutley, Craig Whittaker).

Question accordingly negatived.

(6) That Amendment 2 be made (Question on Amendment selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Matthew Pennycook.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 101.

Ayes: 302 (Tellers: Nick Smith, Jeff Smith).

Noes: 318 (Tellers: Craig Whittaker, David Rutley).

Question accordingly negatived.

(7) That Amendments 14 to 19 be made (Single Question on successive amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*Mr Steve Baker.*)

Question agreed to.

(8) That Amendment 59 be made (Question on Amendment selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Peter Grant.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 102.

Ayes: 99 (Tellers: David Linden, Marion Fellows).

Noes: 322 (Tellers: Chris Heaton-Harris, Stuart Andrew).

Question accordingly negated.

(9) That Amendment 1 be made (Question on Amendment selected by the Speaker for separate decision).—(*Matthew Pennycook.*)

The House divided.

Division No. 103.

Ayes: 302 (Tellers: Nick Smith, Jeff Smith).

Noes: 321 (Tellers: Andrew Stephenson, Stuart Andrew).

Question accordingly negated.

(10) That Amendments 20 and 30 to 38 be made (Single Question on Amendments moved by a Minister of the Crown).—(*Mr Steve Baker.*)

Question agreed to.

4 European Union (Withdrawal) Bill: Third Reading

Secretary David Davis signified Queen's consent, as far as Her Majesty's prerogative and interest is concerned.

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

Amendment moved, to leave out from 'That' to the end of the Question and add 'this House regrets the non-appearance of any Government amendments to Clause 11 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill despite the announcement by the Secretary of State for Scotland that the Government intended to table them for Report Stage and declines to give a Third Reading to the Bill because it is not fit for purpose as it undermines the fundamental principles of the Scotland Act 1998 by reserving to the UK Parliament powers that would otherwise be devolved to the Scottish Parliament on the UK leaving the European Union'.—(*Ian Blackford.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

At 7.00 pm the debate was interrupted (Programme Order, 16 January).

The Speaker put the Questions necessary to bring proceedings on Third Reading to a conclusion (Programme Order, 16 January).

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

(1) That the Amendment be made (Question already proposed from the Chair).

The House divided.

Division No. 104.

Ayes: 295 (Tellers: Marion Fellows, David Linden).

Noes: 322 (Tellers: Mark Spencer, Craig Whittaker).

Question accordingly negated.

(2) That the Bill be now read the third time (Standing Order No. 62(2)).

The House divided.

Division No. 105.

Ayes: 324 (Tellers: Mark Spencer, Craig Whittaker).

Noes: 295 (Tellers: Nick Smith, Jeff Smith).

Question accordingly agreed to and Bill passed.

5 Trade Bill (No. 2): Programme

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7)), That the following provisions shall apply to the Trade Bill (No. 2):

That the Order of 9 January (Trade Bill: Programme) be varied as follows: In paragraph (2) of the Order (conclusion of proceedings in Public Bill Committee) for "Tuesday 30 January" substitute "Thursday 1 February".—(*Amanda Milling.*)

Question agreed to.

6 Public petitions

A public petition from residents of the Hendon constituency relating to the proscription of Hezbollah was presented and read by Dr Matthew Offord.

7 Adjournment

Subject: British investors in Paradise Golf Resort, Morocco (Tom Brake)

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Craig Whittaker.*)

House adjourned without Question put (Standing Order No. 9(7)).

Adjourned at 8.03 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Private Business

8 Middle Level Bill

Julian Knight reported from the Committee on the Middle Level Bill, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill and had found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

Changes to Notices Given

9 Planning (Agent of Change) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 19 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 16 March 2018.

10 Terms of Withdrawal from EU (Referendum) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 19 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 2 February 2018.

11 Clean Air Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 19 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 2 February 2018.

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 Selection Committee nominates Members to serve on General Committees (and certain Members to serve on Grand Committees).

12 Space Industry Bill [Lords] Committee

Members: Andrew Bowie, Jo Churchill, Neil Coyle, Steve Double, Stephen Doughty, Vicky Ford, Vicky Foxcroft, Mark Garnier, Luke Graham, Chris Green, Joseph Johnson, Carol Monaghan, David Morris, Mrs Sheryll Murray, Chris Ruane, Anna Turley, Karl Turner, Dr Philippa Whitford and Chris Williamson.

13 Taxation (Cross-border) Trade Bill Committee

Members: Kirsty Blackman, Douglas Chapman, Rehman Chishti, Nic Dakin, Anneliese Dodds, Peter Dowd, Kirstene Hair, Emma Hardy, Mike Hill, Kwasi Kwarteng, Mark Menzies, Damien Moore, Grahame Morris, Jonathan Reynolds, Lee Rowley, David Rutley, Mel Stride, Graham Stuart and Julian Sturdy.

14 Trade Bill Committee

Members: Mrs Kemi Badenoch, Hannah Bardell, Alan Brown, Judith Cummins, Bill Esterson, Barry Gardiner, Chris Green, Greg Hands, Eddie Hughes, Gillian Keegan, Anna McMorrin, Mr Mark Prisk, Faisal Rashid, Nick Smith, Iain Stewart, Martin Vickers, Matt Western, Craig Whittaker and Mike Wood.

15 First Delegated Legislation Committee (Draft Help-to-Save Accounts Regulations 2018)

Members: Fiona Bruce, Colin Clark, Anneliese Dodds, Mrs Louise Ellman, Mr Marcus Fysh, John Glen, Diana Johnson, Mr David Lammy, Clive Lewis, Jack Lopresti, Seema Malhotra, Scott Mann, John Penrose, David Rutley, Alec Shelbrooke, Jeff Smith and Alison Thewliss.

16 Second Delegated Legislation Committee (Draft Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2018)

Members: Chris Bryant, Maria Caulfield, Dr Thérèse Coffey, Mims Davies, Thangam Debbonaire, Bill Grant, Mrs Helen Grant, Dame Margaret Hodge, Holly Lynch, Alison McGovern, Anne Marie Morris, Ian Murray, Stephanie Peacock, Luke Pollard, Rebecca Pow, Andrew Selous and Giles Watling.

17 Third Delegated Legislation Committee (Draft Armed Forces Act 2006 (Amendment of Schedule 2) Order 2017)

Members: Mr Alan Campbell, David Duguid, Mr Tobias Ellwood, Mary Glendon, Richard Graham, Mr Mark Harper, Trudy Harrison, Gerald Jones, Carol Monaghan, Wendy Morton, Fiona Onasanya, Mary Robinson, Mr Bob Seely, Stephen Timms, Mrs Anne-Marie Trevelyan, Chuka Umunna and Dr Paul Williams.

18 Fourth Delegated Legislation Committee (Draft Community Infrastructure Levy (Amendment) Regulations 2018)

Members: Mr John Baron, Ben Bradley, Chris Elmore, Mr Roger Godsiff, Simon Hart, Dr Rupa Huq, Craig Mackinlay, Jim McMahon, John Mann, Stephen Morgan, Lisa Nandy, Chris Philp, Dominic Raab, Douglas Ross, Gareth Thomas, Kelly Tolhurst and David Tredinnick.

19 Fifth Delegated Legislation Committee (Draft Transfer of Responsibility for Relevant Children (Extension to Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland) Regulations 2017)

Members: Nigel Adams, Edward Argar, Mr Ronnie Campbell, Nic Dakin, James Duddridge, Ms Angela Eagle, Carolyn Harris, Sir Oliver Heald, Sir Mark Hendrick, Mr David Jones, Stuart C. McDonald, Nigel Mills, Caroline Nokes, Mr Gavin Shaker, Eleanor Smith, Ross Thomson and David Warburton.

20 Sixth Delegated Legislation Committee (Draft European Parliamentary Elections Act 2002 (Amendment) Regulations 2017 and the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 2018)

Members: Bim Afolami, Deidre Brock, Robert Courts, Alex Cunningham, Emma Dent Coad, Leo Docherty, Julie Elliott, Colleen Fletcher, Kevin Foster, James Frith, Julia Lopez, Conor McGinn, Amanda Milling, Mary Robinson, Cat Smith, Chloe Smith and Sir Hugo Swire.

21 Seventh Delegated Legislation Committee (Draft Investigatory Powers (Interception by Businesses etc. for Monitoring and Record-keeping Purposes) Regulations 2018, the draft Investigatory Powers (Technical Capability) Regulations 2018, the draft Investigatory Powers (Review of Notices and Technical Advisory Board) Regulations 2018 and the draft Investigatory Powers (Codes of Practice) Regulations 2018)

Members: Nigel Adams, Edward Argar, Nic Dakin, Mr Mark Harper, Darren Jones, John Lamont, Mr Chris Leslie, Ian C. Lucas, Stuart C. McDonald, Mr Pat McFadden, Stephen Metcalfe, Eleanor Smith, Henry Smith, Sir Robert Syms, Nick Thomas-Symonds, Mr Ben Wallace and Mr William Wragg.

Reports from Select Committees

22 Administration Committee

Record of the Committee's discussions at its meeting on 17 January, to be published (Sir Paul Beresford).

23 Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

(1) *Pre-legislative scrutiny of the draft Domestic Gas and Electricity (Tariff Cap) Bill*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 517);

(2) *Correspondence with the Head of Public Policy, Uber UKI relating to a framework for modern employment*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 352)

(Rachel Reeves).

24 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

Draft Animal Welfare (Sentencing and Recognition of Sentience) Bill 2017: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 709) (Neil Parish).

25 European Scrutiny Committee

(1) Tenth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 301-x);

(2) *Ministerial correspondence*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 301)

(Sir William Cash).

26 Exiting the European Union (Committee on)

The progress of the UK's negotiations on EU withdrawal: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 372) (Hilary Benn).

27 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

Freedom of Speech in Universities: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 589) (Ms Karen Buck).

28 International Trade Committee

(1) *UK-US trade relations*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 481);

(2) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State for International Trade relating to the 11th World Trade Organization Ministerial Conference*: Written evidence, to be published

(Angus Brendan MacNeil).

29 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

(1) *Bombardier*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 533);

(2) *Devolution and democracy in Northern Ireland—dealing with the deficit*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 613)

(Dr Andrew Murrison).

30 Procedure Committee

Debates on Estimates days: piloting new arrangements: Third Report, with appendices, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 739) (Mr Charles Walker).

31 Public Accounts (Committee of)

(1) *Government contracts for community rehabilitation companies*: Written and oral evidence, to be published (HC 676);

(2) *Correspondence with the Construction Industry Training Board relating to the skills implications of Carillion entering insolvency*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Decline in National Lottery income*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 631);

(4) *The monitoring, inspection and funding of Learndirect Ltd.*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 646)

(Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown).

32 Scottish Affairs Committee

RBS branch closures: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 682) (Pete Wishart).

33 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Ninth Report, to be printed (HC 542-ix) (Derek Twigg).

34 Treasury Committee

(1) *Autumn Budget 2017*: Fifth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 600);

(2) *RBS's Global Restructuring Group and its treatment of SMEs*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 737)

(Nicky Morgan).

35 Women and Equalities Committee

(1) *Race Disparity Audit*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 562);

(2) *Work of the Equalities and Human Rights Commission*: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 357);

(3) *Correspondence with the Shadow Minister for Women and Equalities, relating to the evidence session on Women in the House of Commons held on 15 November 2017*: Written evidence to be published (HC 507);

(4) *Older people and employment*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 359)

(Mrs Maria Miller).

36 Work and Pensions Committee

(1) *PIP and ESA assessments: claimant experiences*:

(i) Fourth report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 355);

(ii) Written evidence, to be published;

(2) *Universal Credit rollout*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 336);

(3) *Collective defined contribution benefit schemes*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 580);

(4) *Support for carers*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 581)

(Frank Field).

John Bercow

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 County lines exploitation in London

Resolved, That this House has considered county lines exploitation in London.—(*Joan Ryan*.)

2 Ethics and artificial intelligence

Resolved, That this House has considered ethics and artificial intelligence.—(*Jo Swinson*.)

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

3 Blood cancer care in the NHS

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered blood cancer care in the NHS.—(*Henry Smith*.)

At 4.00 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(6)).

4 Vagrancy and homelessness in Cleethorpes

Resolved, That this House has considered vagrancy and homelessness in Cleethorpes.—(*Martin Vickers*.)

The sitting was suspended between 4.25 pm and 4.29 pm.

5 Drug consumption rooms

The sitting was suspended between 4.30 pm and 6.27 pm for divisions in the House (Standing Order No. 10(3)).

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered drug consumption rooms.—(*Ronnie Cowan*.)

The sitting was suspended between 7.00 pm and 7.24 pm for divisions in the House (Standing Order No. 10(3)).

At 7.50 pm, the Motion lapsed (Standing Order No. 10(14)).

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

Adjourned at 7.50 pm until tomorrow.

Lindsay Hoyle

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Public Passenger Transport

Draft Enhanced Partnership Plans and Schemes (Objections) Regulations 2018 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Chris Grayling)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

2 Public Passenger Transport

(1) Advanced Quality Partnership Schemes (England) Regulations 2018 (S.I., 2018, No. 21), dated 10 January 2018 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Chris Grayling)

(2) Advanced Quality Partnership Schemes (Existing Facilities) (England) Regulations 2018 (S.I., 2018, No. 22), dated 10 January 2018 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum and an Impact Assessment (by Command) (Secretary Chris Grayling)

3 Soft Drinks Industry Levy

Soft Drinks Industry Levy Regulations 2018 (S.I., 2018, No. 41), dated 15 January 2018 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Robert Jenrick)

Other papers

4 Animal Welfare

Explanatory Memorandum to the draft Code of Practice for the Welfare of Meat and Chickens and Meat Breeding Chickens (laid, 9 January 2018) (by Command) (Secretary Michael Gove)

5 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on HM Treasury: PFI and PF2 for 2018, to be printed (HC 718) (Clerk of the House)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Financial Guidance and Claims Bill [Lords]

The Speaker has certified, for the purposes of Standing Order No. 83J, and on the basis of material put before him, that, in his opinion, clause 27 of and Schedule 4 to the Financial Guidance and Claims Bill [Lords] relate exclusively to England and Wales and are within devolved legislative competence, as defined in Standing Order No. 83J.