



HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday 4 May 2020

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 2.30 pm (Order, 22 April).

Prayers

- 1 Questions to (1) the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy
(2) Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and the Minister for the Cabinet Office**

- 2 Statement: Covid-19: update from the Department for Work and Pensions (Secretary Thérèse Coffey)**

As it was more than two hours after the commencement of hybrid scrutiny proceedings, the Speaker brought proceedings on the statement to a close (Order (Scrutiny proceedings (1)), 21 April).

- 3 Business of the House (4 May)**

Motion made, That:—

(1) The following arrangements shall apply to today's business:

Business	Timings	Remote division designation
Public Health: (1) motion to approve the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) Regulations 2020; and (2) motion to approve the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2020	Up to 120 minutes	None
Pensions: (1) motion to approve the draft Automatic Enrolment (Offshore Employment) (Amendment) Order 2020; and (2) motion to approve the draft Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (Automatic Enrolment) (Amendment) Regulations 2020	Up to 90 minutes	None
Environment Bill (Programme) (No. 2)	No debate (Standing Order No. 83A(7))	None
Scottish Affairs Committee	No debate	None

(2) At the conclusion of each debate, the Speaker shall put the Question on each of the motions on the Order Paper relating to the business listed in the table for that debate.—*(James Morris.)*

The Speaker declared the Question agreed to (Order (Substantive proceedings (4)), 22 April).

4 Public Health

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 350), dated 26 March 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 26 March, be approved.—*(Edward Argar.)*

The Deputy Speaker announced a time limit on backbench speeches (Standing Order No. 47(1)).

Question put and agreed to.

5 Public Health

Resolved, That the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 447), dated 21 April 2020, a copy of which was laid before this House on 22 April, be approved.—*(Edward Argar.)*

6 Pensions

Motion made and Question proposed, That the draft Automatic Enrolment (Offshore Employment) (Amendment) Order 2020, which was laid before this House on 16 March, be approved.—*(Guy Opperman.)*

The Deputy Speaker announced a time limit on backbench speeches (Standing Order No. 47(1)).

Question put and agreed to.

7 Pensions

Resolved, That the draft Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (Automatic Enrolment) (Amendment) Regulations 2020, which were laid before this House on 16 March, be approved.—*(Stuart Andrew.)*

8 Environment Bill (No. 2): Programme

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 83A(7) and Order, today), That the Order of 26 February 2020 (Environment Bill: Programme) be varied as follows:

In paragraph (2) of the Order (conclusion of proceedings in Public Bill Committee), for "Tuesday 5 May" substitute "Thursday 25 June".—*(David TC Davies.)*

Question agreed to.

9 Scottish Affairs Committee: Adjourned Debate on Question (2 March)

Motion made and Question put forthwith (Order, today), That Mhairi Black, Andrew Bowie, Deidre Brock, Wendy Chamberlain, Alberto Costa, Jon Cruddas, David Duguid, Sally-Ann Hart, John Lamont and Liz Twist be members of the Scottish Affairs Committee.—*(Stuart Andrew, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*

Question agreed to.

10 Adjournment

The Speaker adjourned the House without Question put (Order (Hybrid proceedings (5)), 22 April).

Adjourned at 7.47 pm until Tomorrow (Order, 22 April).

Other Proceedings

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).

11 Environment Bill Committee

Members: Thangam Debbonaire discharged and Mary Glendon nominated in substitution.

Reports from Select Committees relating to orders for printing made during the adjournment under Standing Order No. 137

Thursday 30 April

12 Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

(1) *The impact of coronavirus on businesses and workers*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 219);

(2) *Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary relating to the Official Receiver's indemnity for the sale of British Steel*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from Whirlpool on the progress of the washing machine recall*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *The work of the Department and Government's response to coronavirus*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 301)

(Clerk of the House).

13 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

(1) *Online harms and disinformation*: Oral evidence taken before the Sub-Committee, to be published (HC 234);

(2) *Broadband and the road to 5G*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 153);

(3) *Correspondence with the Chief Secretary to the Treasury relating to Government support for creative industry professionals*: Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Impact of COVID-19 on the charity and culture sector*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 281);

(5) *The work of the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport: Written evidence, to be published (HC 157)*

(Clerk of the House).

14 International Trade Committee

(1) *The COVID-19 pandemic and international trade: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 286);*

(2) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to the Trade Remedies Authority: Written evidence, to be published*

(Clerk of the House).

15 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

(1) *Unfettered access: Northern Ireland and customs arrangements after Brexit: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 161);*

(2) *Correspondence from the Secretary of State relating to the cancelled oral evidence session on Wednesday 25 March: Written evidence, to be published*

(Clerk of the House).

16 Transport Committee

The work of Highways England: Written evidence, to be published (HC 141) (Clerk of the House).

Friday 1 May

17 European Scrutiny Committee

(1) *The EU's mandate for negotiating a new partnership with the UK: outcome of Select Committee consultation: Fifth Report, with an Appendix, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 333);*

(2) *Sixth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 229-iii);*

(3) *Ministerial correspondence: Written evidence, to be published (HC 229)*

(Clerk of the House).

18 Foreign Affairs Committee

(1) *Correspondence from the FCO relating to the FCO's role in blocking foreign asset stripping in the UK: Written evidence, to be published;*

(2) *The FCO's role in blocking foreign asset stripping in the UK: Written evidence, to be published (HC 296)*

(Clerk of the House).

19 Health and Social Care Committee

Delivering core NHS and care services during the pandemic and beyond: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 320) (Clerk of the House).

20 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

The Right to Privacy (Article 8) and the Digital Revolution: Government Response to the Committee's Third Report of Session 2019: First Special Report, to be printed (HC 313)

(Ms Harriet Harman).

21 Science and Technology Committee

UK science, research and technology capability and influence in global disease outbreaks: Written evidence, to be published (HC 136) (Clerk of the House).

*Reports from Select Committees***22 Administration Committee**

Record of the Committee's discussions at its meeting on 4 May, to be published (Sir Charles Walker).

23 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

(1) *The COVID-19 crisis and charities:* First Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 281);

(2) *Online harms and disinformation:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 234) (Julian Knight).

24 Education Committee

(1) *The impact of COVID-19 on education and children's services:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 254).

(2) *Correspondence with the Secretary of State for Education relating to the Spending Review:* Written evidence, to be published (Robert Halfon).

25 Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee

(1) *Work of the Department:* Oral evidence, to be published (HC 302);

(2) *Cladding: progress of remediation:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 172);

(3) *Correspondence from the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, relating to leasehold reform:* Written evidence, to be published;

(4) *Long-term delivery of social and affordable rented housing:* Written evidence, to be published (HC 173);

(5) *Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government 2020–21 Main Estimate memorandum:* Written evidence, to be published (Mr Clive Betts).

26 Human Rights (Joint Committee on)

The Government's response to COVID-19: human rights implications: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 265) (Ms Harriet Harman).

27 Justice Committee

Coronavirus (COVID-19): The impact on the prison, probation and court systems: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 299) (Sir Robert Neill).

28 Procedure Committee

Procedure under Coronavirus restrictions: Written evidence, to be published (HC 300) (Karen Bradley).

29 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

(1) *Correspondence from the Chairs of Select Committees to the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, relating to Parliamentary scrutiny of the Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee*: Written evidence, to be published;

(2) *New Decade, New Approach Agreement*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 160);

(3) *Unfettered Access: Northern Ireland and customs arrangements after Brexit*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 161)

(Simon Hoare).

30 Treasury Committee

(1) *Economic impact of Coronavirus*: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 271);

(2) *Correspondence from the Financial Secretary, HM Treasury relating to the Independent Loan Charge Review*: Written evidence, to be published;

(3) *Correspondence from the Chief Executive and First Permanent Secretary, HM Revenue and Customs relating to Independent Review of analytical and quality assurance processes underpinning HMRC's Official Statistics*: Written evidence, to be published

(Mel Stride)

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Papers Laid

Papers presented and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates during the adjournment under Standing Orders No. 158 and No. 159

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Agriculture

Direct Payments to Farmers (Crop Diversification Derogation) (England) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 475), dated 30 April 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

Thursday 30 April 2020

2 Legal Aid and Advice

Criminal Legal Aid (Coronavirus, Remuneration) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 472), dated 28 April 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Robert Buckland)

3 Education

(1) Education (School Teachers' Qualifications and Induction Arrangements) (England) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 464), dated 27 April 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Nick Gibb)

(2) Special Educational Needs and Disability (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 471), dated 28 April 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Vicky Ford)

4 Value Added Tax

(1) Value Added Tax (Extension of Zero-Rating to Electronically Supplied Books etc.) (Coronavirus) Order 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 459), dated 29 April 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Jesse Norman)

(2) Value Added Tax (Zero Rate for Personal Protective Equipment) (Coronavirus) Order 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 458), dated 29 April 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Jesse Norman)

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5 Agriculture

Common Agricultural Policy (Control and Enforcement, Cross-Compliance, Scrutiny of Transactions and Appeals) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 477), dated 30 April 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

6 Competition

Competition Act 1998 (Dairy Produce) (Coronavirus) (Public Policy Exclusion) Order 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 481), dated 30 April 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Paul Scully)

7 Financial Services and Markets

Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Regulated Activities) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Order 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 480), dated 1 May 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (John Glen)

Other papers

8 Agriculture

Explanatory Memorandum to the Direct Payments to Farmers (Crop Diversification Derogation) (England) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 475) (laid 30 April) (Secretary George Eustice)

Withdrawn papers

9 Agriculture

Explanatory Memorandum to the Direct Payments to Farmers (Crop Diversification Derogation) (England) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 475) (laid 30 April)

Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Monday 4 May 2020

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

10 Education

Teachers' Skills Test (England) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 476), dated 29 April 2020 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Nick Gibb)

Other papers

11 Children and Young Persons

Explanatory Memorandum to the Early Years Foundation Stage (Learning and Development and Welfare Requirements) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 444) (laid 23 April 2020) (by Command) (Vicky Ford)

12 Statutory Instruments (Notification)

Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into operation before copies were laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation: Working Time (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 365) (by Standing Order) (The Speaker)

13 Supply Estimates 2020–21

(1) Central Government Supply Estimates: Main Supply Estimates for 2020–21 (by Command), to be printed (HC 293) (Steve Barclay)

(2) House of Commons Administration: Main Supply Estimates for 2020–21 (by Act), to be printed (HC 290) (The Speaker)

(3) Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority: Main Supply Estimates for 2020–21 (by Act), to be printed (HC 328) (The Speaker)

(4) Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body: Main Supply Estimate for 2020–21 (by Act), to be printed (HC 297) (The Speaker)

Withdrawn papers

14 Children and Young Persons

Explanatory Memorandum to the Early Years Foundation Stage (Learning and Development and Welfare Requirements) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (SI, 2020, No. 444) (laid 23 April 2020) (Vicky Ford)

SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATES

Instruments

The Speaker has certified, for the purposes of Standing Order No. 83P, and on the basis of material put before him, that, in his opinion, the following instrument relates exclusively to England and is within devolved legislative competence, as defined in Standing Order No. 83P.

Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2020

Proxy Voting for Parental Absence (suspension of proxy vote)

The Speaker has certified, further to the certificate of 5 November 2019, that Stella Creasy has given notice that she wishes to suspend her proxy vote and vote in person for the duration of the Order relating to hybrid proceedings (22 April (Remote divisions)).

CORRECTION

Tuesday 21 April 2020

This item should have appeared after item 88 (Other Proceedings)

Treasury Committee

Economic impact of coronavirus: Written evidence, to be published (HC 271) (Clerk of the House).

Wednesday 29 April 2020

The following items should have appeared after item 18 (Other Proceedings)

Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee on)

Ninth Report, to be printed (HC 75-ix) (Jessica Morden) (Order of 24 March 2020).

Statutory Instruments (Select Committee on)

Eighth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 73-viii) (Jessica Morden) (Order of 24 March 2020).