



Formal Minutes of the Culture, Media and Sport Committee in Session 2023–24

The Formal Minutes of a select committee record its formal proceedings and decisions.

They include:

- the names of the members who attended (all or part of) each meeting of the Committee;
- declarations of members' interests;
- details of written and oral evidence reported to the House by the Committee;
- any other formal decisions taken by the committee (recorded as 'orders' or 'resolutions'), for example to begin an inquiry, to report evidence to the House, to make a visit or to appoint a specialist adviser; and
- visits made by the Committee.

When the Committee publishes a Report, the Formal Minutes relating to consideration of the draft Report are published with the Report itself, and are not included in this document. You can find these reports on the Committee's webpages.

For more information about Formal Minutes, see [Erskine May paragraph 38.26](#).

Transcripts of oral evidence taken in public by the Committee are available on the Committee's webpages.

Attendance statistics for members of the Committee are available on the Committee's webpages.

Wednesday 8 November 2023

The following paper was reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by Order of the Committee of 3 March 2020:

Correspondence with the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport

Letter from Rt Hon Lucy Frazer MP, Secretary of State for Culture, Media & Sport, relating to the Media Bill, dated 7 November 2023.

Tuesday 14 November 2023

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair

Kevin Brennan

Clive Efford

Julie Elliott

Rt Hon Damian Green

Dr Rupa Huq

Simon Jupp

Jane Stevenson

Giles Watling

1. Draft Media Bill

Draft Special Report (*Draft Media Bill: Government Responses to the Committee's Twelfth and Thirteenth Reports of Session 2022-23*), proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

The Government responses to the Twelfth and Thirteenth Reports of Session 2022-23 from the Committee were appended to the Report.

Resolved, That the Report be the First Special Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chair make the Report to the House.

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. British Museum

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee visit the British Museum.

4. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

British film and high-end tv

Kalpesh Patel [FIL0001]

Michael Kuhn [FIL0002]

Zsofia Szemeredy [FIL0003]

North East Screen [FIL0004]

Dr Martin Smith [FIL0005]

Louis Knight [FIL0006]

Reel Cinemas [FIL0007]

Anonymous [FIL0008]

Ann Fenton [FIL0009]

Magic Dust Visual Effects Ltd [FIL0011]

Dr Charlotte Crofts [FIL0012]

Prop Makers Ltd [FIL0013]

Mario Creation Mario Erhabor [FIL0014]

Anonymous [FIL0015]

Guerilla Films Ltd [FIL0016]

Historic Houses [FIL0017]

University of York [FIL0018]

Fluidity Films Ltd [FIL0019]

Film Hub Wales [FIL0020]

VisitBritain/VisitEngland [FIL0021]

The Film and TV Charity [FIL0022]

National Film and Television School [FIL0023]

VMI.TV Ltd [FIL0024]

Dr Richard Wallis and Dr Christa van Raalte [FIL0025]

BBFC [FIL0026]
Dr Michael Franklin [FIL0027]
UK Coalition for Cultural Diversity [FIL0028]
Watershed [FIL0029]
Anonymous [FIL0030]
Film Diversity Action Group [FIL0031]
British Film Designers Guild [FIL0033]
SLVision [FIL0034]
Association of Motion Picture Sound [FIL0035]
ReelTime Media [FIL0036]
Paul Craig [FIL0037]
Costume Symposium UK [FIL0038]
Roxburgh Production Fund [FIL0039]
Dr Roderik Smits [FIL0040]
CAMA AssetStore [FIL0041]
Professor Andy Miah [FIL0042]
Musicians' Union [FIL0043]
City Region Economic Development Institution (City-REDI), University of
Birmingham [FIL0044]
Day One Trust & The London Screen Academy [FIL0047]
Rafe Clayton [FIL0048]
Lord David Puttnam [FIL0049]
Brownian Motion [FIL0050]
Birds' Eye View Films [FIL0051]
Liverpool Film Office [FIL0052]
Film Distributors' Association [FIL0053]
Good Chaos Ltd [FIL00554]
ScreenSkills [FIL0055]
Equity [FIL0056]
British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA) [FIL0057]
British Screen Forum [FIL0059]
Anonymous [FIL0060]
Department for Culture, Media and Sport [FIL0061]
Neil Chordia [FIL0062]
COBA [FIL0063]
UK Research and Innovation [FIL0064]
Professor Lisa Purse, Dr Dominic Lees, Andrew Philip and Dr Shweta Ghosh
[FIL0065]

Dr Heidi Ashton [FIL0066]
The Ivors Academy of Music Creators, The Musicians' Union [FIL0067]
Independent Cinema Office [FIL0068]
Stead [FIL0069]
NBCUniversal International Ltd [FIL0070]
Bectu LPD and Assistant Directors Guild UK [FIL0071]
Helen Simmons [FIL072]
Creative Industries Independent Standards Authority (CIISA) [FIL0073]
Theo Morgan [FIL0074]
Alexander Gleason [FIL0075]
Sunderland City Council [FIL0077]
BBC [FIL0078]
Kathy Speirs [FIL0079]
Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership [FIL0080]
Meera Mistry [FIL0081]
Film Export UK [FIL0082]
Writers' Guild of Great Britain [FIL0083]
UK Screen Alliance [FIL0084]
British Independent Film Awards C.I.C. [FIL0085]
Independent Film & Television Alliance (IFTA) [FIL0086]
Screen Manchester [FIL0087]
Bectu [FIL0088]
Faisal Qureshi [FIL0089]
Elle Jay Bea HR Consulting Ltd [FIL0090]
Society of Authors [FIL0092]
Creative UK [FIL0093]
Fulwell 73 [FIL0095]
Mark Newell [FIL0096]
Mark Milsome Foundation [FIL0097]
Pact [FIL0098]
Northern Ireland Screen [FIL0100]
UK Cinema Association [FIL0101]
Animation UK [FIL0102]
British Film Commission [FIL0103]
Teledwyr Annibynnol Cymru [FIL0104]
Katherine Parsons, Dr Enrico Bonadio, and Naysun Alae-Carew [FIL0105]
Yorkshire and North East Film Archives [FIL0106]
Eugenio Triana [FIL0107]

Screen Yorkshire [FIL0108]
Channel 4 [FIL0109]
Creative Industries Policy and Evidence Centre [FIL0111]
Dr James Fenwick [FIL0112]
Motion Picture Association [FIL0113]
The Heritage Alliance [FIL0114]
Directors UK [FIL0115]
Producers Collective UK [FIL0116]
Film London [FIL0117]
Jon Altham [FIL0118]
Screen Scotland [FIL0119]
S4C [FIL0120]
Anonymous [FIL0121]
Dr Katherine Champion and Dr Lisa Kelly [FIL0122]
Screen Alliance North [FIL0123]
Film Archives UK [FIL0124]
Pinball London Ltd [FIL0125]
British Film Institute [FIL0126]
Documentary Film Council [FIL0127]
Welsh Government [FIL0128]
Pinewood Group Limited [FIL0129]
Doc Society [FIL0130]
Thulsa Doom [FIL0131]
Paramount [FIL0132]
Warner Bros. Discovery [FIL0133]
Dr Ryan Bramley [FIL0134]
Amazon [FIL0135]
Feref [FIL0136]
Association of Camera Operators [FIL0137]
Dr Ken Griffin [FIL0138]

Letter from Dame Caroline Dinenage MP, Chair, to Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP, Chancellor of the Exchequer, relating to British film and high-end television: Priorities at Autumn Statement, dated 14 November 2023.

Gambling regulation

Letter from Zoë Osmond, Chief Executive, GambleAware, relating to oral evidence, dated 10 November 2023.

Women's sport

Letter from Julie Porter, Chief Operating Officer, Lawn Tennis Association, relating to oral evidence follow-up, dated 7 November 2023.

Correspondence with the Gambling Commission

Letter from Andrew Rhodes, Chief Executive, Gambling Commission, relating to Tortoise, dated 13 November 2023.

5. Promoting Britain abroad follow-up

The Committee considered this matter.

Patricia Yates, Chief Executive, Visit Britain, Kate Nicholls OBE, Chief Executive, UKHospitality, Sarah Green, Chief Executive, NewcastleGateshead Initiative, gave oral evidence.

Paul Barnes, Chief Executive, Association of International Retail, Hayley Beer-Gamage, Chief Executive, Experience Oxfordshire, and Paddy Gamble, Head of Insights, New West End Company, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 21 November at 9:30am.

Tuesday 21 November 2023

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair

Kevin Brennan

Clive Efford

Julie Elliott

Dr Rupa Huq

John Nicolson

Jane Stevenson

Giles Watling

1. Connected tech: smart or sinister?

Draft Special Report (*Connected tech: smart or sinister?: Government and the Information Commissioner's Office Response to the Committee's Tenth Report of Session 2022-23*), proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

The Government and the Information Commissioner's Office Response to the Tenth Report of Session 2022-23 from the Committee was appended to the Report.

Resolved, That the Report be the Second Special Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chair make the Report to the House.

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Creator remuneration

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee visit the Artists and Manager Awards at the Bloomsbury Big Top, on Thursday 23 November 2023.

4. British film and high-end television

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That Dr Dominic Lees and Nick Mason Pearson be appointed Specialist Advisers to assist the Committee in matters related to British film and high-end television. (For details of declarations of interests, see Appendix.)

5. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Gambling regulation

Letter from Dan Waugh, Partner, Regulus Partners, relating to statistics on gambling and suicide, dated 28 October 2023.

Correspondence with Ofcom

Letter from Kate Biggs, Director of Public Policy, Ofcom, relating to Ofcom's response to the Committee's Draft Media Bill Reports, dated 15 November 2023.

6. Women's sport

The Committee considered this matter.

Jonathan Licht, Managing Director, Sky Sports, Barbara Slater, Director of Sport, BBC, and Niall Sloane, Director of Sport, ITV, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 28 November at 9:30am.

Thursday 23 November 2023

Kevin Brennan, Julie Elliott and Rt Hon Damian Green visited the Artists and Manager Awards at the Bloomsbury Big Top, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 21 November 2023.

Tuesday 28 November 2023

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair
Kevin Brennan
Clive Efford
Julie Elliott
Rt Hon Damian Green
Dr Rupa Huq
Simon Jupp
John Nicolson
Jane Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Promoting Britain abroad follow-up

UKinbound [PBA 01]

Events Industry Alliance [PBA 02]

Letter from Kate Nicholls OBE, Chief Executive, UKHospitality, relating to oral evidence follow-up, dated 20 November 2023.

Correspondence with the Gambling Commission

Letter from the Chair to Andrew Rhodes, Chief Executive, Gambling Commission, relating to clarifications to oral evidence, dated 16 November 2023.

Letter from Tim Miller, Executive Director of Policy, Research and Statistics, Gambling Commission, relating to the publication of the gambling survey for Great Britain, dated 23 November 2023.

Letter from Andrew Rhodes, Chief Executive, Gambling Commission, relating to clarifications to oral evidence, dated 24 November 2023.

3. The work of Channel 4

The Committee considered this matter.

Dr Alex Mahon, Chief Executive, and Sir Ian Cheshire, Chair, Channel 4, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 12 December at 9:30am.

Tuesday 12 December 2023

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair

Kevin Brennan

Julie Elliott

Rt Hon Damian Green

Dr Rupa Huq

John Nicolson

Jane Stevenson

1. Safety at major sporting events

The Committee considered this matter.

Draft Report (*Safety at major sporting events*), proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to; the Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the First Report of the Committee, HC 174.

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. British Film and High-End Television

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

British Film and High-End Television

Sky [FIL 091]

Danny Fleet [FIL 139]

Creator remuneration

Creative UK [CRE 03]

Gambling regulation

Letter from Michael Dugher, Chief Executive, Betting and Gaming Council, relating to Gambling and the Premier League, dated 16 October 2023.

Women's sport

BBC [WOM 50]

England Boxing, British Boxing Board of Control [WOM 51]

Linda Fox, Chair, Actonians LFC [WOM 52]

ITV [WOM 53]

Swim England [WOM 54]

The work of Channel 4

Letter from Dr Alex Mahon, Chief Executive, Channel 4, relating to oral evidence follow-up, dated 5 December 2023.

The work of the Department for Culture, Media and Sport

Letter from the Chair to Rt Hon Lucy Frazer MP, Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, relating to the Department's engagement with the Committee's work, dated 12 December 2023.

5. Creator remuneration

The Committee considered this matter.

Professor David Hesmondhalgh, Professor of Media, Music and Culture, University of Leeds, Merck Mercuriadis, music industry executive, artist manager, and entrepreneur, Nile Rodgers, artist, producer and Chairman of the Songwriters Hall of Fame, and Dr Hyojung Sun, Lecturer in the Business of Creative and Cultural Industries, University of York, gave oral evidence.

Paul Clements, Chief Executive, Music Publishers Association, and VV Brown, singer-songwriter, record producer and board director of the Ivors Academy, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 13 December at 9:30am.

Wednesday 13 December 2023

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair

Kevin Brennan

Steve Brine
Clive Efford
Julie Elliott
Rt Hon Damian Green
Simon Jupp
John Nicolson

1. Gambling regulation

The Committee considered this matter.

Draft Report (*Gambling regulation*), proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to; the Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Second Report of the Committee, HC 176.

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Gambling regulation

Letter from Andrew Rhodes, Chief Executive, Gambling Commission, relating to Gambling Act Review update, dated 29 November 2023.

Pre-appointment hearing for Chair of the BBC Board

Dr Samir Shah, Committee requested information and cv.

4. Pre-appointment hearing for Chair of the BBC Board

The Committee considered this matter.

Dr Samir Shah CBE, Government's candidate for Chair of the BBC Board, gave oral evidence.

The Committee considered this matter.

Draft Report (*Pre-appointment hearing for Chair of the BBC Board*), proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to; the Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Third Report of the Committee, HC 383.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 9 January at 9:30am.

Tuesday 19 December 2023

The following paper was reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by Order of the Committee of 3 March 2020 (Order made under the provisions of SO No 137; see Votes and Proceedings [16 October 2023]):

Pre-appointment hearing for Chair of the BBC Board

Letter from Rt Hon Lucy Frazer MP, Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, relating to the Government's Response to the Committee's Pre-appointment hearing for Chair of the BBC Board Report, dated 19 December 2023.

Tuesday 9 January 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair
Clive Efford
Julie Elliott
Rt Hon Damian Green
Dr Rupa Huq
Giles Watling

1. Connected tech: AI and creative technology

Draft Special Report (*Connected tech: AI and creative technology: Government Response to the Committee's Eleventh Report of Session 2022-23*), proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

The Government Response to the Eleventh Report of Session 2022-23 from the Committee was appended to the Report.

Resolved, That the Report be the Third Special Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chair make the Report to the House.

2. NFTs and the Blockchain: the risks to sport and culture

Draft Special Report (*NFTs and the Blockchain: the risks to sport and culture: Government Response to the Committee's Fourteenth Report of Session 2022-23*), proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

The Government Response to the Fourteenth Report of Session 2022-23 from the Committee was appended to the Report.

Resolved, That the Report be the Fourth Special Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chair make the Report to the House.

3. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Women's sport

The Committee considered this matter.

Jeanette Bain-Burnett, Executive Director of Policy & Integrity, Sport England, and Stephanie Hilborne OBE, Chief Executive, Women in Sport, gave oral evidence.

Rt Hon Stuart Andrew MP, Minister for Sport, Gambling and Civil Society, Polly Payne, Director General, Culture, Sport and Civil Society, and Adam Conant, Deputy Director, Head of Sport, Department for Culture, Media and Sport, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 16 January at 9:30am.

Tuesday 16 January 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair
Clive Efford
Julie Elliott
Rt Hon Damian Green
Dr Rupa Huq
Simon Jupp
Alex Sobel
Jane Stevenson

1. Declaration of interests

Alex Sobel declared his interests, in accordance with the Resolution of the House of 13 July 1992 (see Appendix).

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Correspondence with the Gambling Commission

Letter from Andrew Rhodes, Chief Executive, Gambling Commission, relating to an update about the ongoing litigation around the Fourth National Lottery Licence, dated 11 January 2024.

4. Football governance follow-up

The Committee considered this matter.

Richard Masters, Chief Executive, Premier League and Rick Parry, Chair, English Football League, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 23 January at 9:30am.

Wednesday 17 January 2024

Dame Caroline Dinenage, Steve Brine, Julie Elliott, Dr Rupa Huq and Alex Sobel visited the British Museum, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 14 November 2023.

Tuesday 23 January 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair
Julie Elliott
Rt Hon Damian Green
Dr Rupa Huq
John Nicolson
Alex Sobel
Jane Stevenson
Giles Watling

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. British film and high-end television

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee visit Warner Bros Studios, Leavesden.

3. Minority languages

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee visit Scotland and Northern Ireland.

4. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Football governance follow-up

Letter from the Chair to Rt Hon Stuart Andrew MP, Minister for Sport, Gambling and Civil Society, relating to Football governance, dated 26 January 2024.

Letter from the Chair to Richard Masters, Chief Executive, Premier League, relating to Football governance, dated 26 January 2024.

5. British film and high-end television

The Committee considered this matter.

Gurinder Chadha OBE, Writer, Director and Producer, gave oral evidence.

Phil Clapp, Chief Executive, UK Cinema Association, Andy Leyshon, Chief Executive, Film Distributors' Association, and John McVay OBE, Chief Executive, Pact, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 6 February at 9:30am.

Wednesday 24 January 2024

The following paper was reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by Order of the Committee of 3 March 2020:

Correspondence with Britannia Hotels

Letter from the Chair to Alex Langsam, Chief Executive, Britannia Hotels, relating to the closure of Pontins holiday parks in Southport, Prestatyn and Camber Sands, dated 24 January 2024.

Tuesday 30 - Wednesday 31 January 2024

Dame Caroline Dinenage, Steve Brine, Julie Elliott, Dr Rupa Huq and Alex Sobel visited Manchester, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 18 October 2023.

Tuesday 6 February 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair

Clive Efford

Rt Hon Damian Green

Dr Rupa Huq

John Nicolson

Alex Sobel

Jane Stevenson

Giles Watling

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. British film and high-end television

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Chair visit Shepperton Studios in a representative capacity.

Resolved, That the Committee visit Los Angeles, and that the Chair seek the approval of the Liaison Committee for expenditure in connection with the visit.

3. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Creator remuneration

Letter from Julia Lopez MP, Minister for Media, Tourism and Creative Industries, relating to music streaming follow-up, 30 January 2024.

Gambling regulation

Letter from Carolyn Harris MP, Chair, APPG for Gambling Related Harm, relating to Gambling regulation Report, dated 31 January 2024.

National Lottery follow up

Letter from Anna Mellitt, Director of Public Affairs and National Lottery Relations, Allwyn, relating to the first week of National Lottery takeover, dated 30 January 2024.

Letter from Andrew Rhodes, Chief Executive, Gambling Commission, re Allwyn, dated 1 February 2024.

Women's sport

Letter from Rt Hon Stuart Andrew MP, Minister for Sport, Gambling and Civil Society, relating to oral evidence follow-up, dated 25 January 2024.

Letter from Jeanette Bain-Burnett, Executive Director of Policy & Integrity, Sport England, relating to oral evidence follow-up, dated 20 January 2024.

4. Promoting Britain abroad follow-up

The Committee considered this matter.

Nigel Huddleston MP, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, HM Treasury, Julia Lopez MP, Minister of State, Department for Culture, Media and Sport, and Tom Pursglove MP, Minister of State for Legal Migration and the Border, Home Office, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 20 February at 9:30am.

Friday 9 February 2024

The following paper was reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by Order of the Committee of 3 March 2020 (Order made under the provisions of SO No 137; see Votes and Proceedings [19 February 2024]):

Football governance follow-up

Letter from Richard Masters, Chief Executive, Premier League, relating to oral evidence follow-up, dated 8 February 2024.

Tuesday 20 February 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair
Clive Efford
Julie Elliott
Rt Hon Damian Green
Dr Rupa Huq
Simon Jupp
John Nicolson
Alex Sobel

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Cricket follow-up

The Committee considered this matter.

Cindy Butts, Chair, Sir Brendan Barber, Commissioner, and Dr Michael Collins, Commissioner, Independent Commission on Equity in Cricket, gave oral evidence.

Richard Thompson, Chair, Richard Gould, Chief Executive, and Clare Connor CBE, Deputy Chief Executive & Managing Director, England and Wales Cricket Board, gave oral evidence.

Harry Chathli, former Chair, and Colin Graves CBE, Chair, Yorkshire County Cricket Club, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 21 February at 9:45am.

Wednesday 21 February 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair

Steve Brine

Clive Efford

Julie Elliott

Rt Hon Damian Green

Simon Jupp

John Nicolson

Alex Sobel

Giles Watling

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Creator remuneration

Letter from Julia Lopez MP, Minister for Media, Tourism and Creative Industries, relating to music streaming further follow-up, 19 February 2024.

Gambling regulation

Letter from Rt Hon Lord Foster of Bath, Chair, Peers for Gambling Reform, relating to Gambling regulation Report, dated 6 February 2024.

Promoting Britain abroad follow up

Letter from Nigel Huddleston MP, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, HM Treasury, relating to oral evidence follow-up, dated 16 February 2024.

3. British film and high-end television

The Committee considered this matter.

James Hawes, Director & Vice-Chair, Directors UK, gave oral evidence.

Rebecca O'Brien, Producer, Sixteen Films, gave oral evidence.

Ollie Madden, Director, Film4, and Eva Yates, Director, BBC Film, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 5 March at 9:30am.

Sunday 25 - Wednesday 28 February 2024

Dame Caroline Dinenage, Steve Brine, Julie Elliott, Rt Hon Damian Green, Dr Rupa Huq, John Nicolson and Alex Sobel visited Paris, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 18 October 2023.

Tuesday 5 March 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair
Clive Efford
Julie Elliott
Dr Rupa Huq
Simon Jupp
John Nicolson
Alex Sobel
Jane Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Safety at major sporting events

Draft Special Report (*Safety at major sporting events: Government Response to the Committee's First Report*), proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

The Government Response to the First Report from the Committee was appended to the Report.

Resolved, That the Report be the Fifth Special Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chair make the Report to the House.

3. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Creator remuneration

Letter from David Martin et al, Council of Music Makers, relating to the Creator Remuneration Working Group, 22 February 2024.

The work of the Department for Culture, Media and Sport

Letter from Rt Hon Lucy Frazer MP, Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, relating to S4C Chair appointment process, 26 February 2024.

Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Supplementary Estimate 2023-24 memorandum and spreadsheet tables.

The Charity Commission Supplementary Estimate 2023-24 memorandum.

The National Archives Supplementary Estimate 2023-24 memorandum.

Women's sport

Jasmine Sanders and Vicky Cuming [WOM 55]

Correspondence with the Gambling Commission

Letter from Sarah Gardner, Deputy Chief Executive, Gambling Commission, relating to Update regarding the ownership of the Moravia Gas Storage Joint Venture, 20 February 2024.

Correspondence with S4C

Letter from Rhodri Williams, Chair, S4C, relating to S4C Action Plan and Interim Chief Executive, 1 March 2024.

4. Minority languages

The Committee considered this matter.

John Morrison, Chair, MG Alba, Rhodri Talfan Davies, Director of Nations, BBC, and Rhodri Williams, Chair, S4C, gave oral evidence.

Laura Giles, Managing Director, Screen Cornwall, Billy Kay, writer and broadcaster, Helen Mark, broadcaster, BBC Northern Ireland, and Caoimhe Ní Chathail, broadcaster, BBC Gaeilge, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 19 March at 9:30am.

Tuesday 19 March 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair

Clive Efford

Julie Elliott

Rt Hon Damian Green

Dr Rupa Huq

Simon Jupp

John Nicolson

Alex Sobel

Jane Stevenson

Giles Watling

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. British film and high-end tv

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee visit the BFI Archives in Berkhamsted.

3. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Cricket follow-up

Letter from England and Wales Cricket Board to Colin Graves, relating Yorkshire Cricket County Club, 15 February 2024.

Letter from England and Wales Cricket Board, relating to oral evidence follow-up, 1 March 2024.

England and Wales Cricket Board: ICEC Progress Update, February 2024.

Grassroots music venues

Creative UK [GMV 01]

Women's sport

Letter from Rt Hon Stuart Andrew MP, Minister for Sport, Gambling and Civil Society, relating to oral evidence further follow-up, 8 March 2024.

4. British film and high-end television

The Committee considered this matter.

Jane Tranter, Co-Founder and Chief Executive, Bad Wolf, gave oral evidence.

Neil Hatton, Chief Executive, UK Screen Alliance, Andrew M Smith OBE DL, Corporate Affairs Director, Pinewood Group, and Adrian Wootton OBE, Chief Executive, British Film Commission, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 20 March at 9:45am.

Wednesday 20 March 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair

Steve Brine

Clive Efford

Julie Elliott

Rt Hon Damian Green

Dr Rupa Huq

Simon Jupp
John Nicolson
Alex Sobel
Giles Watling

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. The work of the BBC

The Committee considered this matter.

Tim Davie CBE, Director General, David Jordan, Director, Editorial Policy and Standards, and Leigh Tavaziva, Chief Operating Officer, BBC, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 26 March at 9:30am.

Tuesday 26 March 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair
Clibe Efford
Julie Elliott
Rt Hon Damian Green
Simon Jupp
Dr Rupa Huq
Giles Watling

1. Equity in Cricket

The Committee considered this matter.

Draft Report (*Equity in Cricket*), proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to; the Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Fourth Report of the Committee, HC 526.

2. Creator remuneration

The Committee considered this matter.

Draft Report (*Creator remuneration*), proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to; the Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Fifth Report of the Committee, HC 156.

3. Trusted voices

The Committee considered this matter.

Draft Report (*Trusted voices*), proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to; the Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Sixth Report of the Committee, HC 175.

4. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

5. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Grassroots music venues

Music Managers Forum (MMF) and Featured Artists Coalition (FAC) [GMV 002]
Local Government Association [GMV 003]

6. Grassroots music venues

The Committee considered this matter.

Jon Collins, Chief Executive, LIVE, Mark Davyd, Chief Executive, Music Venue Trust, and John Drury, Chair, National Arenas Association and VP and General Manager, OVO Arena Wembley, gave oral evidence.

Stuart Galbraith, Vice-Chair, Concert Promoters Association and Chief Executive, Kilimanjaro Live, Gavin Larkins, Director of Commercial Development and Sales, PRS for Music, and Anna Moulson, Co-Chair, Association of Independent Promoters, gave oral evidence.

Lily Fontaine, vocalist, English Teacher, Kwame Kwaten, Vice Chair, Music Managers Forum, and David Martin, Chief Executive, Featured Artists Coalition, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 16 April at 9:30am.

Tuesday 16 April 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair

Clive Efford

Julie Elliott

Rt Hon Damian Green

Dr Rupa Huq

Simon Jupp

John Nicolson

Alex Sobel

Jane Stevenson

Giles Watling

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Gambling regulation

Draft Special Report (*Gambling regulation: Government Response to the Committee's Second Report*), proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

The Government Response to the Second Report from the Committee was appended to the Report.

Resolved, That the Report be the Sixth Special Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chair make the Report to the House.

3. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

British film and high-end tv

ITV [FIL 140]

Letter from Ollie Madden, Director, Film4, relating to oral evidence follow-up, dated 27 March 2024.

Football governance follow-up

Letter from the Chair to Richard Masters, Chief Executive, Premier League, regarding the Football Governance Bill, dated 16 April 2024.

Grassroots music venues

The Old Abbey Taphouse [GMV 04]

Arts Council England [GMV 05]

UK Music [GMV 06]

Association of Independent Festivals [GMV 07]

Association of Independent Promoters [GMV 08]

Promoting Britain abroad follow-up

Letter from Julia Lopez MP, Minister for Media, Tourism and Creative Industries, Department for Culture, Media and Sport, and Tom Pursglove MP, Minister for Legal Migration at the Border, Home Office, relating to oral evidence follow-up, dated 9 April 2024.

4. Football Governance Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 23 April at 9:30am.

Tuesday 23 April 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair

Clive Efford

Julie Elliott

Rt Hon Damian Green

Dr Rupa Huq

Simon Jupp

John Nicolson

Jane Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Creative artists in Afghanistan

Resolved, That members of the Foreign Affairs Committee and the Home Affairs Committee be invited to attend the meeting on 4 June relating to Creative artists in Afghanistan, pursuant to Standing Order No 137A(1)(e) (Select committees: power to work with other committees).

3. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Grassroots music venues

PRS for Music [GMV 09]

4. British film and high-end television

The Committee considered this matter.

Mark Cosgrove, Head of Cinema, Watershed, and Catharine des Forges, Director, Independent Cinema Office, gave oral evidence.

Clare Binns, Managing Director, Picturehouse, Alex Hamilton, Chief Executive, Studiocanal UK, and Tim Richards, Chief Executive, Vue, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 8 May at 2:00pm.

Wednesday 8 May 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair

Steve Brine

Clive Efford

Julie Elliott

Simon Jupp

John Nicolson

Alex Sobel

Jane Stevenson

1. Grassroots music venues

The Committee considered this matter.

Draft Report (*Grassroots music venues*), proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to; the Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Seventh Report of the Committee, HC 527.

2. Women's sport

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

The work of the BBC

Letter from Tim Davie, Director General, BBC, relating to oral evidence follow-up, dated 1 May 2024.

5. British film and high-end television

The Committee considered this matter.

Chris Bird, Director, Prime Video UK, Amazon, Benjamin King, Senior Director of Public Policy, UK and Ireland, Netflix, Mitchell Simmons, Vice President, Public Policy & Government Affairs EMEA, Paramount, and Gidon Freeman, Senior Vice President, Government and Regulatory Affairs, NBCUniversal International, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 14 May at 9:45am.

Monday 13 - Thursday 16 May 2024

Dame Caroline Dinenage, Julie Elliott, John Nicolson and Jane Stevenson visited Glasgow and the Outer Hebrides, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 23 January 2024.

Tuesday 14 May 2024

The Committee met at the Mazumdar-Shaw Advanced Research Centre, University of Glasgow

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair
Julie Elliott
John Nicolson
Jane Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Minority languages

The Committee considered this matter.

Dr Michael Dempster, Director, Scots Language Centre; Professor Joanna Kopaczyk, Professor of Scots and English Philology, University of Glasgow, and Dr Dawn Leslie, Lecturer in Linguistics, University of Aberdeen, gave oral evidence.

Professor Rob Dunbar, Chair of Celtic Languages, Literature, History and Antiquities, University of Edinburgh, Mairi MacInnes, Chair, Bòrd na Gàidhlig, and Dr Gillian Rothach, Principal, Sabhal Mor Ostaig, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 21 May at 9:30am.

Tuesday 21 May 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair
Julie Elliott
Rt Hon Damian Green
Simon Jupp
John Nicolson
Alex Sobel
Jane Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. British film and high-end television

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee visit Framestore, London.

3. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Equity in Cricket

Letter from Lord Mann relating to Yorkshire County Cricket Club, dated 1 May 2024.

Gambling regulation

Letter from Stuart Andrew MP, Minister for Sport, Gambling and Civil Society, relating to Measures relating to the land-based gambling sector, dated 15 May 2024.

4. British film and high-end television

The Committee considered this matter.

Georgia Brown, Chair, Screen Sectors Skills Task Force, Dr Jon Wardle, Director, National Film and Television School and Sara Whybrew, Director of Skills and Workforce Development, British Film Institute, gave oral evidence.

Laura Mansfield, Chief Executive, ScreenSkills, Myriam Raja, Writer and Director, and Dominique Unsworth MBE, Chief Executive, Resource Productions, gave oral evidence.

Philippa Childs, Deputy general secretary and Head, Bectu, and Marcus Ryder MBE, Chief Executive, Film and TV Charity, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 22 May at 9:45am.

Wednesday 22 May 2024

Members present:

Dame Caroline Dinenage, in the Chair
Steve Brine

Clive Efford
Simon Jupp
John Nicolson
Alex Sobel
Jane Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Protecting Museums and Heritage

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into Protecting Museums and Heritage.

3. Evidence reported for publication

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication:

Equity in Cricket

Letter from the Chair to Colin Graves, relating to Yorkshire County Cricket Club, dated 22 May 2024.

Promoting Britain abroad

Letter from Julia Lopez MP, Minister for Media, Tourism and Creative Industries, relating to follow-up response to Promoting Britain abroad oral evidence, dated 20 May 2024.

4. The work of the Department for Culture, Media and Sport

The Committee considered this matter.

Rt Hon Lucy Frazer MP, Secretary of State, DCMS, and Susannah Storey, Permanent Secretary, DCMS, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

The Committee adjourned.

Friday 24 May 2024

The following papers were reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by Order of the Committee of 3 March 2020 (Order made under the provisions of SO No 137; see Votes and Proceedings [16 October 2023]):

British film and high-end television

Documentary Producers UK [FIL 141]

Dr Martin Smith [FIL 142]

Roxburgh Production Fund [FIL 143]

British Film Institute [FIL 144]

BAFTA albert [FIL 145]

Letter from Laura Mansfield, Chief Executive, ScreenSkills, relating to oral evidence follow-up, dated 23 May 2024.

Letter from Benjamin King, Senior Director of Public Policy, UK and Ireland, Netflix, relating to Baby Reindeer, dated 23 May 2024.

Letter from the Chair to Rt Hon Lucy Frazer MP, Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, relating to the Committee's inquiry, dated 24 May 2024.

Equity in Cricket

Letter from Rt Hon Stuart Andrew MP, Minister for Sport, Gambling and Civil Society, relating to Equity in Cricket Government Response, dated 23 May 2024.



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Nil.

Appendix: Declarations of interest by members of the Committee and specialist advisers

(i) Members of the Committee

<https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmregmem/contents2324.htm>

(ii) Specialist Advisers

21 November 2023

Dr Dominic Lees, Specialist Adviser for the inquiry into British film and high-end television, declared the following interests:

I am an unpaid board member of one of the BFI's skills clusters, 'Screen Berkshire'.

Nick Mason Pearson, Specialist Adviser for the inquiry into British film and high-end television, declared the following interests:

I am a Bafta member.