



Formal Minutes of the Home Affairs Committee in Session 2023–24

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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.

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Wednesday 8 November 2023

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

James Daly

Simon Fell

Carolyn Harris

Tim Loughton

Alison Thewliss

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Home Office

Correspondence from the Immigration Minister regarding Frontex

Correspondence from the Immigration Minister regarding the UK's Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA) Scheme.

Human Trafficking

Correspondence to the Safeguarding Minister regarding the appointment of the Independent Anti-Slavery.

Pre-legislative scrutiny of the Draft Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill

Correspondence from the Security Minister regarding the Draft Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill.

2. Special Report (Drugs): Government Response

Draft Special Report (Drugs: Government Response to the Third Report of Session 2022-23), proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

The Government's response to the Third Report of Session 2022-23 from the Committee was appended to the Report.

Resolved, That the Report be the First Special Report of Session 2023-24 of the Committee to the House.

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

3. Migration and asylum

Resolved, That members of the Joint Committee on Human Rights be invited to attend the meeting on 15 December 2023 relating to Channel crossings, migration and asylum-seeking routes through the EU, pursuant to Standing Order No 137A(1)(e) (Select committees: power to work with other committees).

4. Police and Crime Commissioners: 10 years on

Sir Thomas Winsor, Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Constabulary 2012-2022 at Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary, Chief Constable Gavin Stephens, Chair of National Police Chief's Council, Donna Jones, Chair at Association of Police and Crime Commissioners and PCC for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, Dr Rick Muir, Director at the Police Foundation, Councillor Sue Woolley, Conservative Lead member of the Safer and Stronger Communities Board, Local Government Association, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 15 November 2023 at 9.00 am.

Wednesday 15 November 2023

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Carolyn Harris

Tim Loughton

Alison Thewliss

Joanna Cherry also attended under the provisions of paragraph (1)(e) of Standing Order No 137A (Select committees: power to work with other committees) (resolution of 8 November).

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Pre-legislative scrutiny of the Draft Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill

Correspondence to the Security Minister regarding the Draft Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill.

Fraud

FRA0002 Mr Steven Taylor

FRA0003 Professor Mark Button

FRA0005 Kent County Council Trading Standards

FRA0006 Dr Diana Johnson, Sr Samantha Bourton and Demelza Hall

FRA00010 Professor Nic Ryder

FRA0026 Victim Support

FRA00036 Dr Rasha Kassem

FRA0037 Durham's Victim Care and Advice Service

FRA0041 National Trading Standards Scam Team

FRA0043 Which? Consumer Association

FRA0063 Mindgard

FRA0071 OneID Ltd

2. Human Trafficking

Draft Report (Human Trafficking), 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 with the First Report of the Committee, HC 124.

3. Channel crossings, migration and asylum-seeking routes through the EU

David Neal, Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 22 November 2023 at 9.00 am.

Sunday 19 March – Tuesday 21 March

The Chair, Simon Fell, Tim Loughton and Alison Thewliss visited France and Belgium in connection with the Committee's inquiry into Channel crossings, migration and asylum-seeking routes through the EU, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 18 October 2023.

Wednesday 22 November 2023

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Simon Fell

Tim Loughton

Alison Thewliss

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Channel crossings, migration and asylum-seeking routes through the EU

Correspondence from the Second Permanent Secretary of the Home Office to David Neal, ICIBI.

Home Office

Correspondence from the Minister of State for Crime, Policing and Fire regarding the Criminal Justice Bill

Pre-legislative scrutiny of the Draft Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill

Correspondence from the Security Minister regarding the Draft Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill.

2. Fraud

Cecilie Fjellhoy, Co-Founder LoveSaid, Anna Rowe, Founder Catch the Catfish and Co-Founder LoveSaid, gave oral evidence.

John Kamoto, Policy Lead on Scams and Fraud, Age UK, Wayne Stevens, National Fraud lead, Victims Support, and Louise Baxter MBE, Head of the National Trading Standards Scams, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 29 November 2023 at 9.00 am.

Wednesday 29 November 2023

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Lee Anderson

James Daly
Simon Fell
Kim Johnson
Tim Loughton
Alison Thewliss

1. Declaration of interests

Kim Johnson declared her interests, in accordance with the Resolution of the House of 13 July 1992 (see Appendix).

2. Migration and asylum

Resolved, That the Committee visit the Bibby Stockholm in connection with its inquiry into Migration and asylum.

3. Work of the Home Office

Sir Matthew Rycroft KCMG CBE, Permanent Secretary, and Simon Ridley, Interim Second Permanent Secretary, Home Office, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 6 December 2023 at 9.00 am.

Wednesday 6 December 2023

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair
Diane Abbott
Lee Anderson
James Daly
Carolyn Harris
Kim Johnson
Tim Loughton
Alison Thewliss

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Fraud

FRA0011 – The Police Foundation

FRA0012 – The NCC Group
FRA0015 – CIFAS
FRA0017 – PIMFA
FRA0018 – Mastercard
FRA0022 – TransUnion International UK Limited
FRA0048 – UK Finance
FRA0059 – Matthew Filed, Head of the Fraud Advisory Panel
FRA0060 – Royal United Services Institute (RUSI)
FRA0061 – Comms Council UK
FRA0066 – Sir Thomas Winsor
FRA0067 – Sainsbury's
FRA0075 – Dr Elisabeth Carter
FRA0096 – National Trading Standards Scams Team

Home Office

Correspondence from the Home Secretary regarding the Government's plan to reduce net migration.

2. Policing of Protests

Ordered, That the Chair and Tim Loughton have leave to visit the Metropolitan Police Specialist Operations Unit in Lambeth in a representative capacity for the purposes of the Committee's inquiry into the policing of protests.

Chris Nineham, Vice Chair, Stop the War Coalition, Ben Jamal, Director, Palestine Solidarity Campaign, and Yasmine Adam, Head of Mead and Politics Office, Muslim Association of Britain, gave oral evidence.

Gideon Falter, Chief Executive, Campaign Against Antisemitism, and Dr Dave Rich, Director of Policy, Community Security Trust, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 12 December 2023 at 9.00 am.

Saturday 9 December

The Chair and Tim Loughton visited the Metropolitan Police Specialist Operations Unit in Lambeth on Saturday 9 December in connection with the inquiry into Policing of Protests in a representative capacity, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 6 December.

Tuesday 12 December 2023

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Carolyn Harris

Simon Fell

Kim Johnson

Tim Loughton

Alison Thewliss

1. Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill

Resolved, That the Committee consents to the publication by the Joint Committee on Human Rights of legal briefing on the Safety of Rwanda (Asylum and Immigration) Bill provided to the Committee and the Joint Committee.

2. Declaration of interests

Dame Diana Johnson (Chair) declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to the Committee's inquiry into Policing of Protest as Vice Chair of Labour Friends of Israel.

Carolyn Harris declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to the Committee's inquiry into Policing of Protests as a member of the Labour Friends of Israel.

Tim Loughton declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to the Committee's inquiry into Policing of Protest as a member of the Conservative Friends of Israel.

3. Evidence reported for publication

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

Home Office

Joint correspondence from the Chair of HASC and the Chair of PAC to the Permanent Secretary regarding the UK-Rwanda Migration and Economic Development Partnership.

Correspondence from the Chair to the Permanent Secretary regarding his appearance before the Committee on 29 November.

Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary regarding Migration and Economic Development Partnership Funding.

2. Policing of Protest

Chief Constable Chris Haward, National Police Chief's Council (NPCC) Lead for Race and Religion, National Gold for Operation Tarlac (the National coordination of the policing response to Israel-Gaza), and Chief Constable of Lincolnshire Police (virtual), Assistant Commissioner Matt Jukes, Specialist Operations, Metropolitan Police Service, Assistant Commissioner Matt Twist, Met Operations, Metropolitan Police Service, gave oral evidence.

Dame Sara Khan, Former Lead Commissioner for Countering Extremism and Author of Operating with Impunity (2021), Lord Walney, Government's Independent Adviser on Political Violence and Disruption, Robin Simcox, Commissioner for Countering Extremism, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 13 December 2023 at 2.00 pm.

Tuesday 12 December 2023

The following papers were reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by Resolution of the Committee of [11 May 2022]:

NAO:

Joint correspondence from the Chair of HASC and the Chair of PAC to the Comptroller and Auditor General at the NAO regarding the UK-Rwanda Migration and Economic Development Partnership.

Correspondence from the Comptroller and Auditor General at the NAO in relation to the UK-Rwanda Migration and Economic Development Partnership.

Wednesday 13 December 2023

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Diane Abbott

Lee Anderson

James Daly

Simon Fell

Kim Johnson

Marco Longhi

Alison Thewliss

Tim Loughton

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Afghan resettlement scheme

Correspondence from the Minister for Housing and Homelessness and the Minister for Veteran’s Affairs regarding plans for resettling eligible Afghans in the UK.

Home Office

Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary at the Home Office following his appearance before the Committee on the 29 November.

2. Migration and asylum

Michael Tomlinson KC MP, Minister of State for Illegal Migration, Tom Pursglove MP, Minister of State for Legal Migration, and Dan Hobbs, Director General, Migration and Borders Group, Home Office, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 10 January 2023 at 9.00 am.

Wednesday 10 January 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Lee Anderson

Carolyn Harris

James Daly

Simon Fell

Alison Thewliss

Tim Loughton

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Fraud

FRA0013 – Professor Nic Ryder and Dr Sam Bourton

FRA0024 – Clean Up The Internet

FRA0045 – PwC

FRA0047 – Chartered Trading Standards Institute

FRA0049 – CyberUp Campaign

FRA0050 – Association of British Insurers

FRA0051 – Association of Consumer Support Organisations
FRA0053 – Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
FRA0056 – Cybercrime and Online Harms Practitioner Network (COPRNET)
FRA0068 – Dr Emily Cooper and others
FRA0083 – Centre for Economic Performance at the London School of Economics
FRA0088 – Professor Michael Levi
FRA0093 – Stop Scams UK

Home Office

Correspondence from the Ministers of Legal Migration and Illegal Migration following their appearance before the Committee in December 2023.
Correspondence from the Minister for Victims and Safeguarding regarding the Government's Statutory Report on Spiking.
Correspondence from the Minister for Legal Migration and The Border regarding the level of financial allowances provided to asylum seekers.
Correspondence from the Home Secretary regarding the publication of the new Serious and Organised Crime Strategy.
Correspondence from the Home Secretary regarding the Consultation on the transfer of PCC functions to the Combined Authority Mayors in West Midlands and South Yorkshire.

Policing of protest

PPR0001 - Matt Jukes QPM, Metropolitan Police.
PPR0002 – Campaign Against Antisemitism.
Correspondence from the Chair to the Independent Reviewer of Terrorism Legislation relating to the Policing of Protest inquiry.
Correspondence from the Independent Reviewer of Terrorism Legislation relating to the Policing of Protest.

2. Delegation of Committee Twitter/X account to Chair

Resolved, That in the current session of Parliament, the Chair be given the password to the Committee's Twitter/X account for the purposes of tweeting and retweeting content relevant to the Committee's work.

3. Pre-legislative scrutiny of the Draft Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill

Resolved, That the Committee visit The O2 Arena in connection with its inquiry into Pre-legislative scrutiny of the Draft Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Bill.

4. Migration and asylum

Resolved, That the Committee visit Brook House in connection with its inquiry into Migration and asylum.

5. Declaration of interests

Simon Fell declared a non-pecuniary interest as the Government's Anti-Fraud Champion; and declared that he would take no further part in the inquiry.

6. UK-Rwanda Treaty: Provision of an Asylum Partnership

Draft Report (UK-Rwanda Treaty: Provision of an Asylum Partnership) 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 with the Second Report of the Committee, HC 434.

7. Police and Crime Commissioners: 10 years on

Roger Hirst, Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for Essex (first PFCC), and APCC Lead on Funding Formular and Grants, Mark Hardingham, Chair, National Fire Chiefs Council, gave oral evidence.

Rt Hon Chris Philp MP, Minister of State (Minister for Crime, Policing and Fire) and Rachel Watson, Director of Policing Policy, Home Office, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 17 January 2023 at 9.00 am.

Wednesday 17 January 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

James Daly

Kim Johnson

Alison Thewliss

Tim Loughton

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Migration and Asylum

Correspondence from the Minister for Legal Migration and the Border and the Minister for Countering Illegal Migration following their appearance before the Committee on 13 December 2023.

Policing of protest

Correspondence from AC Matt Twist following the Committee's visit to the Met Operations Room and his oral evidence on Policing of Protest.

2. Special Report: Policing Priorities

Draft Special Report (Policing Priorities: Fifth Report of Session 2022-23), proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

The Government's response to the Fifth Report 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.

3. Guesting: Overseas Territories sub-committee

Resolved, That Kim Johnson and Alison Thewliss attend the meeting of the Foreign Affairs Committee's sub-committee on Overseas Territories on 31 January and 19 February relating to British Indian Ocean Territory, pursuant to the invitation from that Committee under Standing Order No 127A (1)(e) (Select committees: power to work with other committees).

4. Fraud

Mike Haley, Chief Executive, Cifas, Richard Hyde, Senior Researcher, Social Market Foundation, Sophie David, Director of Research, Crest Advisory, gave oral evidence.

Professor Nicholas Ryder, Professor in Financial Crime, Cardiff University and Special Adviser to the Committee, Professor Nicholas Lord, Professor of Criminology, The University of Manchester, James Babbage, Director General of Threats (Economic and Organised Crime), National Crime Agency, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Wednesday 24 January 2024 at 9.00am.

Wednesday 18 January 2024

Rt Hon Diana Johnson MP (Chair), Rt Hon Diane Abbott MP, Kim Johnson and Alison Thewliss visited the Bibby Stockholm, Weymouth, in connection with its inquiry into Migration and asylum, in accordance with the Committee's decision of Wednesday 29 November 2023.

Bell Riberio-Addy, Baroness Lawrence, and Dr Caroline Johnson, members of the Joint Committee on Human Rights, attended the visit.

Wednesday 24 January 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Carolyn Harris

Kim Johnson

Alison Thewliss

Tim Loughton

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Migration and Asylum

Correspondence to the Ministers for Legal and Illegal Migration in response to their letter of 12 January 2023.

Correspondence from the Minister for Legal Migration and the Border regarding follow-up to the session on 13 December.

Letter from Inquest regarding the Bibby Stockholm.

Fraud

FRA0025 – Barclays

FRA0052 – Santander UK

FRA0054 – Lloyds Banking Group

FRA0057 – Nationwide Building Society

FRA0079 – The Payments Association

FRA0081 – TSB

Policing of protests

PPR005 – National Police Chief's Council

2. Special Report: UK-Rwanda treaty: provision of an asylum partnership

Draft Special Report (UK-Rwanda treaty: provision of an asylum partnership: second Report of Session 2023-24), proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

The Government's response to the Second Report 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.

Adjourned til Wednesday 31 January 2024 at 9.00am.

Wednesday 31 January 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Diane Abbott

James Daly

Simon Fell

Carolyn Harris

Kim Johnson
Alison Thewliss
Tim Loughton

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Home Office

Correspondence from the Chair to the Permanent Secretary regarding the delivery of the Emergency Services Network.

Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary regarding the review of the value for money assessment on the Bibby Stockholm.

Correspondence from the Chair to the Minister for Victims and Safeguarding regarding her role.

Migration and Asylum

Letter from the Chair of the Home Affairs Committee and Chair of the Joint Committee on Human Rights regarding the committees visit to the Bibby Stockholm.

National Police Chief's Council

Correspondence from the Chair to the National Police Chief's Council regarding police searches.

Police and Crime Commissioners: 10 years on

Police Federation of England and Wales (PPC0010).

Association of Police and Crime Commissioners (PCC0011).

2. The work of the Home Secretary

Rt Hon James Cleverly MP, Home Secretary, Sir Matthew Rycroft KCMG CBE, Permanent Secretary, Home Office, Dan Hobbs, Director General, Migration and Borders Group, Home Office, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Tuesday 6 February 2024 at 9.00am.

Tuesday 6 February 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Kim Johnson

Alison Thewliss

Tim Loughton

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

The work of the Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner

Correspondence from the Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner regarding her appointment.

2. The work of the Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner

Eleanor Lyons, Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Wednesday 7 February 2024 at 9.00am.

Wednesday 7 February 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Lee Anderson

Simon Fell

Kim Johnson

Marco Longhi

Alison Thewliss

Tim Loughton

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Fraud

FRA00021 – The Bar Council

FRA0028 – Chainalysis

FRA0044 - LexisNexis Risk Solutions

FRA0055 – IAB UK

FRA0087 – Protect

FRA0090 – British Phonographic Industry

Home Office

Correspondence from the Security Minister regarding the Investigatory Powers (Amendment) Bill.

Correspondence from the Security Minister regarding Martyn's Law Standard Tier consultation.

Correspondence to from the Permanent Secretary following the Committee's session on 31 January regarding Rule 39 indication and ministerial decisions.

National Police Chief's Council

Correspondence from National Police Chief's Council regarding police searches.

Police and Crime Commissioners: 10 years on

Lincolnshire Police and Crime Panel

2. Fraud

Paul Davis, Financial Crime Prevention Director, TSB Bank, Chris Ainsley, Head of Fraud Risk Management, Santander, Woody Malouf, Global Head of Financial Crime, Revolut, gave oral evidence.

Philip Milton, Public Policy Manager, Meta, Alex Towers, Director of Policy and Public Affairs, BT Group, Simon Staffell, Government Affairs Director, Microsoft, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Wednesday 21 February 2024 at 9.00am.

Wednesday 21 February 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Lee Anderson

Carolyn Harris

James Daly

Simon Fell

Kim Johnson

Marco Longhi

Alison Thewliss

Tim Loughton

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Asylum and migration

Letter from London Councils regarding asylum and migration

Fraud

FRA0019 – Serious Fraud Office

FRA0035 – Greater Manchester Office for Police and Crime Commissioner, Great Manchester Police and North West Cyber Resilience Centre

FRA0077 – National Crime Agency

FRA0078 – Crown Prosecution Service

FRA0080 – Home Office

FRA0084 – Public Sector Fraud Authority

FRA0085 – Association of Police and Crime Commissioners

FRA0086 – Office of the West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioners

FRA0092 – City of London Police and City of London Police Authority Board

FRA00097 – Professor Nicolas Lord

FRA0098 – Innovate Finance

Home Office

Correspondence from the Chair to the Minister of State for Countering Illegal Migration regarding Consideration of inadmissibility claims under the Migration and Economic Development Partnership

Correspondence from the Chair to the Permanent Secretary regarding the Bibby Stockholm value for money assessment

Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary regarding the Emergency Services Network

Correspondence from the Home Secretary regarding Minimum Service Levels for Fire and Rescue Services Regulation

Correspondence from the Home Secretary regarding proposals to transfer Police and Crime Commissioner functions to the Combined Authority Mayors in West Midlands and South Yorkshire

Correspondence from the Home Secretary and Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice, regarding improving the Criminal Justice System response to rape

2. Special Report: Human Trafficking

Draft Special Report (Human Trafficking: First Report of Session 2023-24), proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

The Government's response to the First Report 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

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into Asylum decision-making and conversion to Christianity.

Resolved, That the Committee take oral evidence from the former Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration, David Neal.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into Brook House.

4. Policing of Protest

Draft Report (Policing of Protest) 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 with the Third Report of the Committee, HC 369.

5. Non-contact sexual offences

Lisa Squire, mother of Libby Squire and campaigner, gave oral evidence.

Professor Clare McGlynn KC, Professor of Law, Durham University, Professor Sarah Kingston, Professor of Criminal Justice and Policing, University of Central Lancashire, Professor Katrin Hohl, Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice, City University of London, and Independent Rape Advisor to the Government, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Tuesday 27 February 2024 at 2.00pm.

Tuesday 27 February 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Lee Anderson

Diane Abbott

James Daly

Kim Johnson
Marco Longhi
Tim Loughton
Alison Thewliss

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Asylum and migration

FIC0001- Written evidence from David Neal

2. One-off session with the former Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration

David Neal, former Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Wednesday 28 February 2024 at 9.00am.

Wednesday 28 February 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair
Simon Fell
Carolyn Harris
Kim Johnson
Tim Loughton
Alison Thewliss

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Home Office

Correspondence from the Chair to the Home Secretary regarding the Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration

Correspondence from the Minister for Countering Illegal Migration regarding Frontex working arrangements in the UK
Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary regarding the Supplementary Estimates
Home Office Supplementary Estimates Memorandum and Table
National Crime Agency Supplementary Estimates

2. Fraud

Assistant Commissioner Nik Adams, City of London Police, James Babbage, Director General of Threats, National Crime Agency, Chris Bell, Service Delivery Director, City of London Police, DCI Clare Chandler, Head of Regional Economic Crime Unit, North East Region, gave oral evidence.

Chief Crown Prosecutor Andrew Penhale, Head of Regional and Wales Division, Crown Prosecution Service. Steve Smart, Joint Executive Director of Enforcement and Market Oversight, Financial Conduct Authority, Richard Las, Director of Fraud Investigation Service. HMRC.

Adjourned til Tuesday 5 March 2024 at 9.00am.

Tuesday 5 March 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Kim Johnson

Marco Longhi

Tim Loughton

Alison Thewliss

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Home Office

Correspondence between the Chair and the Home Secretary regarding follow-up to the session on 31 January

Correspondence from the Home Secretary regarding Home Office Supplementary Estimates

Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary regarding Rule 39 following session with Home Secretary on 31 January

Correspondence from the Minister for Victims and Safeguarding regarding proposed data sharing firewall between the Police and Immigration Enforcement, the Support for Migrant Victims scheme and the No Women Turned Away project

Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary regarding the Bibby Stockholm value for money assessment

Correspondence from the Minister for Legal Migration to the Chair following the Committee's visit to the Bibby Stockholm

Fraud

FRA0099 – BT Group

FRA0100 – Meta

FRA0102 - TSB

Police and Crime Commissioners: 10 years on

PPC0013 – Rt Hon Chris Philip MP, Minister of State for Crime, policing and Fire, Home Office

Non-contact sexual offences

NCSO0001 – Professor Katrin Hohl

Work of the Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner

Correspondence from the Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner

2. Committee working practices

Resolved, That, for the remainder of the current Parliament, where the Committee has written evidence, including sent or received correspondence, which in the Chair's judgement merits publication by the Committee before it will meet again, the Chair shall have discretion to report it to the House for publication.

4. Declaration of interests

Kim Johnson declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of the FBU Parliamentary Group.

5. Fire and Rescue Service

Andy Cooke QPM DL, Chief Inspector at HM Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Service, Nazir Afzal OBE, Former Chief of Independent Culture Review of London Fire Brigade, gave oral evidence.

Alex Johnson QSFM, Director, Women in the Fire Service, Tristan Ashby, Chief Executive Officer, Fire and Rescue Services Association, Matt Wrack, General Secretary, Fire Brigades Union.

Adjourned til Tuesday 12 March 2024 at 9.00am.

Tuesday 12 March 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Lee Anderson

James Daly

Marco Longhi

Tim Loughton

Alison Thewliss

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Asylum decision-making and conversion to Christianity

REL0001 – The Archbishops’ Council of the Church of England

REL0002 – The Reverend Dr Robert Stephen, General Secretary of the Free Church of England

2. Asylum decision-making and conversion to Christianity

The Reverend Matthew Firth, Former Priest at St Cuthbert’s, Darlington, gave oral evidence.

The Rt Reverend Giuli Francis-Dehqani, Bishop of Chelmsford, Church of England, The Rev canon Christopher Thomas, Senior Priest, The Catholic Church and General Secretary, Catholic Bishop’s Conference of England and Wales, The Reverend Steve Tinning, Public Issues Enabler at Baptist Union of Great Britain, gave oral evidence.

Tom Pursglove MP, Minister of State for Legal Migration and the Border, Home Office, Dan Hobbs, Director General, Migration and Borders Group, Home Office, George Shirley, Director of Asylum and Human Rights Operations, Home Office, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Wednesday 13 March 2024 at 9.00am.

Wednesday 13 March 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Simon Fell

Alison Thewliss

Tim Loughton

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Fire and Rescue Service

FRS0001 – Women in the Fire Service

Home Office

Correspondence from the Home Secretary regarding publication of the Angiolini report

Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary regarding asylum expenditure

Human Trafficking

Correspondence to the Home Secretary regarding the Government's Response to the Human Trafficking inquiry

Police and Crime Commissioners: 10 years on

Correspondence to the Minister for Crime, Policing and Fire regarding the Committee's inquiry into

2. Fraud

Resolved, That the Committee visit Singapore as part of its inquiry into Fraud.

3. Fraud

Simon Fell MP, Prime Minister's Anti-Fraud Champion, Mark Cheeseman OBE, Chief Executive, Public Sector Fraud Authority, Nick Ephgrave QPM, Director, Serious Fraud Office, gave oral evidence.

The Rt Hon Tom Tugendhat MBE VR MP, Minister for Security, Home Office, Duncan Tessier, Director of Economic Crime, Home Office, Baroness Vere of Norbiton, Parliamentary, HM Treasury, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Wednesday 20 March 2024 at 9.00am.

Wednesday 20 March 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Lee Anderson

Simon Fell

Carolyn Harris

Kim Johnson

Tim Loughton

Alison Thewliss

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Asylum decision-making and conversion to Christianity

REL0003 – Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales

Fire and Rescue Service

FRS0002 – Fire Standards Board

FRS0003 – Fire Brigades Union

FRS0004 – HM Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire Rescue Service

Fraud

FRA0103 – Google

FRA0104 – Santander Bank

Home Office

Correspondence from the Minister for State for Legal Migration and Delivery regarding the Home office's use of Special Development Orders for Scampton and Wethersfield

Correspondence from the Home Secretary regarding the former Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration

Correspondence from the Minister of State for Legal Migration and the Border regarding Amendments to the Immigration (Leave to Enter and Remain) Order 2000

London Fire Commissioner and Deputy Mayor for Fire

Correspondence from the London Fire Commissioner and Deputy Mayor for Fire and Resilience regarding the London Fire Bridge's competition of all 29 recommendations on the Grenfell Tower Inquiry phase 1

Non-contact sexual offences

NCSO0002 – Professor Helen Frawe and Dr Johnathan Patry

2. Migration and Asylum

Resolved, That the Committee visit the Weathersfield Airfield Asylum Accommodation site in connection with its inquiry into Migration and asylum.

3. UK-France co-operation on tackling illegal migration

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into UK-France co-operation on tackling illegal migration.

4. Fire and Rescue Service

Justin Johnston QFSM, Chief Fire Officer of Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service and Vice Chair, National Fire Chiefs Council, Kath Billing, Chief Fire Officer of Cornwall Fire and Rescue Service and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Lead, National Fire Chiefs Council, Rob MacDougall, Chief Fire Officer of Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Service and People Programme Executive, National Fire Chiefs Council, and Councillor Rebecca Knox, Chair of the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Authority, gave oral evidence.

The Rt Hon Chris Philip MP, Minister of State (Minister for Crime, Policing and Fire), Sarah Gawley, Director, Fire and Major Events, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Wednesday 17 April 2024 at 9.00am.

Thursday 21 March 2024

Rt Hon Diana Johnson MP (Chair), Kim Johnson, Tim Loughton and Alison Thewliss visited Brook House, in connection with its inquiry into Migration and asylum, in accordance with the Committee's decision of Wednesday 10 January 2024.

Wednesday 17 April 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

James Daly

Simon Fell

Carolyn Harris

Kim Johnson

Marco Longhi

Tim Loughton

Alison Thewliss

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Asylum decision-making and conversion to Christianity

REL0004 – Home Office supplementary evidence

REL0005 – The Venerable Rick Simpson, Archdeacon of Auckland

Fire and Rescue Service

FRS0005 – Rita Dexter OBE

FRS0006 – Victoria Shakesby MBE

FRS0007 – Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service

FRS0008 – Fire and Rescue Services Association (FRSA)

FRS0009 – Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Authority

FRS0010 – National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC)

Correspondence from the General Secretary of the Fire Brigades Union regarding non-disclosure agreements

Fraud

FRA001 – Transpact.com

FRA0027 – Transparency Task Force

FRA0038 – APPG on Investment Fraud

FRA0040 – Fighting Fraud and Corruption Locally

FRA106 – Financial Conduct Authority

FRA107 – City of London Police

FRA0108 – Payments Systems Regulator

FRA0109 – Home Office supplementary evidence

Home Office

Correspondence from the Chair to the Home Secretary regarding the Home Office's use of citizenship deprivation

Correspondence from the Home Secretary regarding the publication of 'Fighting Retail Crime: More Action'

Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary regarding follow-up to the private briefing on 20 March

Correspondence from the Home Secretary regarding the Home Office's response to the HMICFRS State of Policing Report

Correspondence from the Home Secretary regarding the review of the Independent Office for Police Conduct and announcement of additional reforms in the Criminal Justice Bill

Non-contact sexual offences

NCSO0003 – Professor Clare McGlynn

Police and Crime Commissioners

Correspondence from the Minister of State for Crime, Policing and Fire regarding the Government's response to the Committee's inquiry into Police and Crime Commissioners: 10 years on

Violence and abuse towards retail workers

VTR0038 – British Retail Consortium

VTR0039 – Katy Bourne OBE, Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner and Retail Crime Lead at the Association of Police and Crime Commissioners

VTR0041 – Federation of Wholesale Distributors

2. Declarations of appointment

Ordered, That David Neal be appointed Specialist Adviser to assist the Committee in matters related to the border and immigration.

3. Violence and abuse towards retail workers

Paul Gerrard, Campaigns, Public Affairs and Broad Secretariat Director, Co-op, Lyndsey Cambridge, Head of Engagement, Federation of Wholesale Distributors, Edward Woodall, Government Relations Director, Association of Convenience Stores, Joanne Cairns, Head of Research and Policy, USDAW, gave oral evidence.

Superintendent Patrick Holdaway, City of London Police and Lead for the National Business Crime Centre, Chief Superintendent Alex Goss, Retail Crime Lead, National Police Chiefs' Council, Chief Constable Amanda Blakeman, Acquisitive Crime Lead, National Police Chief's Council, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Wednesday 24 April 2024 at 9.00am.

Wednesday 24 April 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Lee Anderson

James Daly

Simon Fell

Kim Johnson

Tim Loughton

Alison Thewliss

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Fraud

FRA0089 – techUK

The Committee approved a minor alteration to Fraud submission FRA0099 – BT Group.

Home Office

Correspondence from the Minister for Victims and Safeguarding regarding the publication of case file review of police requests for third party material in rape investigations.

Correspondence from the Minister of State for Legal Migration and the Border regarding the implementation of necessary concessions for Ukrainian arrivals via the Common Travel Area

Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner

Correspondence from the Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner regarding their Strategic Plan.

Migration and asylum

Correspondence from the Minister of State for Countering Illegal Migration regarding Brook House

Non-contact sexual offences

NCSO0004 – Professor Sarah Kingston

NCSO0005 – Crown Prosecution Service

2. Future Programme

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into Legal migration.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into Police pensions and wellbeing.

3. Special report (Policing of protest): Government Response

Draft Special Report (Policing of protest: Government Response to the Third Report of Session 2023-24), proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

The Government's response to the Third Report of Session 2023-24 from the Committee was appended to the Report.

Resolved, That the Report be the Fifth Special Report of Session 2023-24 of the Committee to the House.

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

4. Non-contact sexual offences

DCC Maggie Blyth, Deputy CEO, College of Policing; NPCC Lead for tackling VAWG; Chair of the Violence and Public Protection Portfolio, Paul Furnell, Temporary Assistant Chief Constable Contact, Safeguarding, Crime and Justice, British Transport Police, Louisa Rolfe, Assistant Commissioner, Frontline Policing, Metropolitan Police, Ben Russell, Commander, Covert Policing, Metropolitan Police, gave oral evidence.

Laura Farris MP, Minister for Victims and Safeguarding, Joanna West, Director of Tackling Exploitation and Abuse, Home office, Amy Randall, Director for Victims and Vulnerability police, Ministry of Justice.

Adjourned til Wednesday 1 May 2024 at 9.00am.

Wednesday 1 May 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Lee Anderson

Simon Fell

Kim Johnson

Tim Loughton

Alison Thewliss

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Policing of Protest

Correspondence from the Chair to the Home Secretary regarding the Policing of Protest Government Response.

Fire and Rescue Service

Correspondence from the Chair to the Deputy Fire Officer, Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service offering an apology in relation to the oral evidence session on 5 March.

Correspondence from the Chair to Matt Wrack, General Secretary of the Fire Brigades Union, regarding non-disclosure agreements.

Correspondence from Matt Wrack responding to the Committee's letter of 11 April

Home Office

Correspondence from the Home Secretary regarding the use of contingent liability to support Maritime Counter-Terrorism response capabilities

Correspondence from the Minister of State for Crime, Policing and Fire regarding the synthetic use of opioids in the UK

Correspondence from the Minister of State for Countering Illegal Migration regarding Immigration (Guidance on Detention of Vulnerable Persons) regulations 2024.

2. Fire and rescue service

Dr Sabrina Cohen-Hatton, Chief Fire Officer, West Sussex Fire and Rescue Service and Chair of Improvement Committee, National Fire Chiefs Council, gave oral evidence.

3. Brook House

Kate Eves, Chair of the Brook House inquiry, Anna Pincus, Director of the Gatwick Detainees Welfare, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Wednesday 15 May 2024 at 9.00am.

Monday 6 May 2024

Rt Hon Diana Johnson MP (Chair), Rt Hon Diane Abbott, Lee Anderson, James Daly, Carolyn Harris, Kim Johnson, Tim Loughton and Alison Thewliss MP visited Singapore in connection with its inquiry into Fraud, in accordance with the Committee's decision of Wednesday 13 March 2023.

Wednesday 15 May 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Brendan Clarke-Smith

James Daly

Simon Fell

Kim Johnson

Marco Longi

Tim Loughton

Alison Thewliss

1. Declaration of interests

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared his interests, in accordance with the Resolution of the House of 13 July 1992 (see Appendix).

2. Evidence reported for publication

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

Fire and Rescue Service

Letter from the Chair to Matt Wrack, General Secretary, Fire Brigades Union, regarding unanswered questions, dated 7 May 2024

Home Office

Letter from the Home Secretary, regarding the use of citizenship deprivation in north-east Syria, dated 3 May 2024

Human Trafficking

Letter from the Home Secretary, regarding the Government's Response to the Human Trafficking report, dated 2 May 2024

Ministry of Justice

Letter from the Lord Chancellor & Secretary of State for Justice, regarding the SI to make tribunal rules for Illegal Migration Act suspensive claim appeals, dated 2 May 2024

Violence and abuse towards retail workers

VTR0042 – National Police Chiefs' Council

VTR0043 – The Co-op Group

VTR0044 – Federation of Wholesale Distributors

VRT0045 – National Business Crime Centre

3. Migration and asylum

Resolved, That the Committee visit Rwanda as part of its inquiry into Migration and asylum.

4. Legal Migration

Professor Brian Bell, Chair, Migration Advisory Committee, Marley Morris, Associate Director, Institute of Public Policy Research, Dr Madeleine Sumption, Director, Migration Observatory, gave oral evidence.

Caroline Coombes, Executive Director, Reunite Families UK, Kate Roberts, Head of Policy, Focus on Labour Exploitation, Jonathan Thomas, Senior Fellow, Migration Researcher, Social Market Foundation, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Wednesday 22 May 2024 at 9.00am.

Wednesday 22 May 2024

Members present

Rt Hon Dame Diana Johnson, in the Chair

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Simon Fell

Kim Johnson

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Fire and Rescue Service

Letter from the Chair to Matt Wrack, General Secretary, Fire Brigades Union regarding unanswered questions.

Fraud

FRA0110 – National Crime Agency Supplementary evidence

Home Office

Letter from the Minister of State regarding the Manchester Arena Inquiry Assurance Programme

Manchester Arena Inquiry Recommendation Tracker

Letter from the Minister for Countering Illegal Migration on ICIBI recruitment.

Legal Migration

LM0001 – Social Market Foundation

Non-contact sexual offences

NCSO006 – British Transport Police

Police and Pensions and wellbeing

PPW0001 – Antony Hope

PPW0002 – XPS Pensions Group

Violence and abuse towards retail workers

Letter to the Home Secretary regarding our follow-up session on Violence and Abuse towards retail workers.

2. Migration and asylum

Antony Hope, Administrator, Police Pensions Q and A Facebook group (appearing remotely), David Watkins, Managing Director, XPS Administration, Clair Alcock, Head of Police Pensions, National Police Chiefs' Council, gave oral evidence.

Paul Williams, Wellbeing Co-Lead, Police Federation of England and Wales, Dr Jess Miller, Principal Investigator in Policing Trauma, Department of Sociology, University of Cambridge, Andy Rhodes OBE QPM, Director - National Police Wellbeing Service, gave oral evidence.

Adjourned til Wednesday 5 June 2024 at 9.00am.

Thursday 23 May 2024

The following papers were reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by Resolution of the Committee of 5 March 2024:

Fire and Rescue Services

FRAS0017 – Summary Note from Private Meeting regarding culture in the fire service

Letter to the Home Secretary regarding the Committee’s inquiry into the Fire and Rescue Service

Fraud

FRA0111 – Pay UK

Letter to the Home Secretary regarding the Committee’s inquiry into Fraud

Home Office

Letter to the Home Secretary regarding Gaza Families Reunited

Letter from the Minister for Legal Migration and the Border regarding changes being made to the EU Settlement Scheme

Legal Migration

LM10002 – Work Rights Centre

LMI0003 – Care England

LMI0004 – Migration Advisory Committee

LMI0006 – Focus on Labour Exploitation

LMI0007 – Universities UK

Non-contact sexual offences

NCSO0007 – Supplementary evidence from the Minister for Victims and Safeguarding

Letter to the Home Secretary regarding the Committee’s inquiry into non-contact sexual offences

Friday 24 May 2024

The following papers were reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by Resolution of the Committee of 5 March 2024:

Legal Migration

Letter from the Minister of State for Legal Migration regarding the latest estimates of net migration.

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

(i) Members of the Committee

Abbott, Ms Diane (Hackney North and Stoke Newington)

1. Employment and earnings

Payments from the Guardian, Kings Place, 90 York Way, London N1 9GU, for articles:

5 May 2021, received £100 for an article published on 22 April 2021. Hours: 45 mins. (Registered 07 June 2021)

4 July 2021, received £400 from Operation Black Vote, 18A Victoria Park Square, Bethnal Green, London E2 9PB, for delivering a presentation on 12 May 2021. Hours: 2 hrs. (Registered 02 August 2021)

3. Gifts, benefits and hospitality from UK sources

Name of donor: The Premier League

Address of donor: Brunel Building, 57 North Wharf Road, London W2 1HQ

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: Two box tickets with hospitality for Arsenal v Everton, value £500

Date received: 22 May 2022

Date accepted: 22 May 2022

Donor status: company, registration 02719699

(Registered 14 June 2022)

4. Visits outside the UK

Name of donor: GUBA Foundation

Address of donor: 459 Prince Regent Lane, London E16 3HX

Estimate of the probable value (or amount of any donation): International flights £805.07; accommodation £1,461.05; GUBA Awards event ticket £365.39; total value £2,631.51

Destination of visit: Accra, Ghana Dates of visit: 5-12 November 2021
Purpose of visit: To participate in the GUBA Foundation Yaa Asantewaa Womens Empowerment Awards ceremony and meet other relevant civil society organisations.
(Registered 16 November 2021)

8. Miscellaneous

Since December 2015, a trustee of the Diane Abbott Foundation, which works to excel and improve education. (Registered 26 October 2016)

Anderson, Lee (Ashfield)

1. Employment and earnings

Until 15 March 2021, Councillor, Mansfield District Council, Chesterfield Rd, Mansfield NG19 7BH. I received an allowance of £532.16 a month, final payment on 12 March 2021. Hours: approx. 10 hrs a week. (Registered 10 January 2020; updated 21 June 2021)

Payment of £1,000 expected from the Mail on Sunday, Northcliffe House, 2 Derry Street, London W8 5TT, for an article written on 2 January 2022. Hours: 2 hrs. Fee will be paid direct to a local educational trust. (Registered 07 January 2022)

2. (b) Any other support not included in Category 2(a)

Name of donor: Cayzer Trust Company
Address of donor: Cayzer House, 30 Buckingham Gate, London SW1E 6NN
Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £7,500
Date received: 15 September 2021
Date accepted: 15 September 2021 Donor status: company, registration 4987694
(Registered 20 September 2021)

4. Visits outside the UK

Name of donor: Conservative Friends of Israel Ltd (CFI Ltd)
Address of donor: PO Box 72288, London SW1P 9LB Estimate of the probable value (or amount of any donation): Air travel, accommodation and hospitality with a value of £3,300
Destination of visit: Israel and the West Bank Dates of visit: 3-8 April 2022
Purpose of visit Fact finding political delegation. (Registered 20 April 2022)

6. Land and property portfolio: (i) value over £100,000 and/or (ii) giving rental income of over £10,000 a year

From 4 March 2021 until 14 March 2022, a residential property in Ashfield: (i). (Registered 21 June 2021; updated 17 March 2022) 11

8. Miscellaneous

From 21 January 2020, Member of the Town Fund Board for Ashfield. This is an unpaid role. (Registered 10 February 2020)

Barker, Paula (Liverpool, Wavertree)

Nil

Clarke-Smith, Brendan (Bassetlaw)

Nil

Daly, James (Bury North)

2. (a) Support linked to an MP but received by a local party organisation or indirectly via a central party organisation

Name of donor: IX Wireless Limited Address of donor: Unit, 1 Lockside Office Park, Lockside Road, Preston PR2 2YS Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £1,000 for my campaign fund

Donor status: company, registration 11009144 (Registered 30 June 2021)

Name of donor: IX Wireless Limited Address of donor: Unit, 1 Lockside Office Park, Lockside Road, Preston PR2 2YS Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,500 for my campaign fund

Donor status: company, registration 11009144

(Registered 30 June 2021)

Name of donor: The Carlton Club Political Committee Address of donor: 69 St James's Street, London SW1A 1PJ Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £5,000 Donor status: unincorporated association (Registered 14 April 2022)

Name of donor: Geoffrey Blanning Address of donor: private Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000 Donor status: individual

(Registered 20 April 2022)

3. Gifts, benefits and hospitality from UK sources

Name of donor: Tracingboard Ltd Address of donor: C/O Langtons, 11th Floor, The Plaza, 100 Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9QJ

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: Two tickets with hospitality to Cheltenham Races, value £660 Date received: 18 March 2022

Date accepted: 18 March 2022

Donor status: company, registration 12563343 (Registered 27 April 2022)

Name of donor: Football League Ltd Address of donor: EFL House, 10-12 West Cliff, Preston PR1 8HU

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: Two tickets with hospitality for the Championship Play Off Final at Wembley, estimated total value £500

Date received: 28 May 2022 Date accepted: 28 May 2022

Donor status: company, registration 80612 (Registered 30 May 2022)

8. Miscellaneous

I became a non-practising partner in Crompton Halliwell Solicitors on 13 December 2019, and started practising again (unpaid) from 10 December 2020. (Registered 8 January 2020; updated 05 January 2021) From 2 March 2020, Chair of Conservative Friends of Kashmir. (Registered 11 March 2020)

Fell, Simon (Barrow and Furness)

2. (b) Any other support not included in Category 2(a)

Name of donor: IX Wireless Ltd Address of donor: 4 Lockside Office Park, Lockside Road, Riversway, Preston PR2 2YS

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,500 Date received: 5 July 2021

Date accepted: 5 July 2021

Donor status: company, registration 1100914 (Registered 06 July 2021)

Name of donor: IX Wireless Ltd Address of donor: 4 Lockside Office Park, Lockside Road, Riversway, Preston PR2 2YS

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £1,000 Date received: 20 January 2021 Date accepted: 20 January 2021

Donor status: company, registration 1100914 (Registered 07 July 2021)

Name of donor: The Cayzer Trust Company Ltd Address of donor: Cayzer House, 30 Buckingham Gate, London SW1E 6NN

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £5,000

Date received: 18 May 2022 Date accepted: 18 May 2022

Donor status: company, registration 04987694
(Registered 24 May 2022)

4. Visits outside the UK

Name of donor: Templar Executives Ltd

Address of donor: 83 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0HW

Estimate of the probable value (or amount of any donation): Flights, transfers and accommodation, value £1,210

Destination of visit: Rabat, Morocco Dates of visit: 30 March - 1 April 2022

Purpose of visit: To attend the launch of the Cyber Security Centre of Excellence in Rabat, meet with the British Ambassador, and also Moroccan government officials to discuss cyber security threats and closer engagement with the UK.
(Registered 14 April 2022)

8. Miscellaneous

From 13 December 2019, member of the Town Board for Barrow. This is an unpaid role. (Registered 27 January 2020)

Harris, Carolyn (Swansea East)

3. Gifts, benefits and hospitality from UK sources

Name of donor: Ffos Las Race Course Address of donor: Culla Road, Trimsaran SA17 4DE Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: Two hospitality tickets for a Kaiser Chiefs concert at Ffos Las Race Course, Kidwelly, value £312

Date received: 2 June 2022

Date accepted: 2 June 2022

Donor status: company, registration 02020650
(Registered 21 June 2022)

4. Visits outside the UK

Name of donor: Walkers (Guernsey) Ltd Address of donor: 12-14 New Street, St Peter Port, Guernsey GY1 2PF

Estimate of the probable value (or amount of any donation): Accommodation £178; flights £337; other transport £167; meals £45; total value £727

Destination of visit: Channel Islands (Guernsey and Jersey) Dates of visit: 5-6 May 2022 Purpose of visit: To speak at conferences for Channel Islands business communities about menopause support in the workplace.
(Registered 09 May 2022)

8. Miscellaneous

From May 2017, Vice President of the Chartered Trading Standards Institute.
(Registered 07 July 2017)

Holloway, Adam (Gravesham)

1. Employment and earnings

Payments for surveys from Ipsos MORI, 3 Thomas More St, London E1W 1YW:

Payment of £275 expected for a survey completed on 22 June 2021. Hours: approx. 80 mins. (Registered 24 June 2021)

25 November 2021, received £275: Hours approx. 1 hr 30 mins. (Registered 10 December 2021)

Payment of £225 expected for a survey completed on 16 February 2022. Hours: approx. 30 mins. (Registered 28 February 2022)

Payments from Savanta Comres, 4 Millbank, London SW1P 3JA, for surveys:

25 June 2021, received £75. Hours: approx. 20 mins. (Registered 25 June 2021)

30 July 2021, received £100. Hours: approx. 30 mins. (Registered 11 August 2021)

1 September 2021, received £75. Hours: approx. 30 mins. (Registered 24 September 2021)

28 September 2021, received £75. Hours: approx. 30 mins. (Registered 27 September 2021)

Payments from Yonder, Northburgh House, 10 Northburgh Street, London EC1V 0AT, for surveys.

17 February 2021, received £50. Hours: approx. 20 mins. (Registered 10 December 2021)

19 March 2021, received £50. Hours: approx. 20 mins. (Registered 10 December 2021)

13 April 2021, received £50. Hours: approx. 20 mins. (Registered 10 December 2021)

14 May 2021, received £50 for a survey. Hours: approx. 20 mins. (Registered 10 December 2021)

1 September 2021, received £65. Hours: approx. 20 mins. (Registered 10 December 2021) 218

30 November 2021, received £65. Hours: approx. 20 mins. (Registered 10 December 2021)

Payments from the Telegraph, 111 Buckingham Palace Road London SW1W 0DT, for articles:

10 January 2022, received £200. Hours: 10 hrs. (Registered 08 February 2022)

29 April 2022, received £220. Hours: approx. 10 hrs. (Registered 04 May 2022)

3. Gifts, benefits and hospitality from UK sources

Name of donor: R&A Championships Ltd

Address of donor: Beach House, Golf Place, St Andrews KY16 9JA

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: Two tickets with lunch for the Open Golf Championship, total value £700

Date received: 16 July 2021

Date accepted: 16 July 2021

Donor status: company, registration SC247047

(Registered 03 August 2021)

4. Visits outside the UK

Name of donor: Kingdom of Bahrain Ministry of Foreign Affairs Address of donor: PO Box 547, Government Road, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain

Estimate of the probable value (or amount of any donation): Flights, accommodation and meals with a value of £5,349

Destination of visit: Bahrain Dates of visit: 18-22 November 2021

Purpose of visit: Parliamentary delegation to the IISS Manama Dialogue 2021 to understand the Middle East's most pressing security challenges.

(Registered 14 December 2021)

6. Land and property portfolio: (i) value over £100,000 and/or (ii) giving rental income of over £10,000 a year

From May 2017, residential property in Kent: (i) and (ii). (Registered 25 January 2021; updated 12 April 2021)

From 2010, share in agricultural land in Devon: (i). (Registered 25 January 2021; updated 12 April 2021)

Johnson, Kim (Liverpool, Riverside)

3. Gifts, benefits and hospitality from UK sources

Name of donor: Radox Laboratories Ltd

Address of donor: 55 Diamond Road, Crumlin, Co. Antrim BT29 4QY

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: Hospitality for me and a guest at Aintree for the Grand National, value £496

Date received: 15 April 2023

Date accepted: 15 April 2023

Donor status: company, registration NI015738
(Registered 26 April 2023)

Name of donor: R&A Championships Ltd

Address of donor: Beach House, Golf Place, St Andrews KY16 9JA

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: Ticket with hospitality for this year's Open Golf Championship, value £375

Date received: 20 July 2023

Date accepted: 20 July 2023

Donor status: company, registration SC247047
(Registered 29 August 2023)

8. Miscellaneous

Voluntary Board Member of SQUASH, Liverpool, a community interest company based in the Liverpool Riverside constituency (a creative food enterprise to empower and enable social change). I was the Chair of the Board until 16 December 2022. (Registered 06 January 2020; updated 29 August 2023)

From 25 June 2021, Voluntary Board Member of Liverpool Institute of Performing Arts (LIPA). This is an unpaid role. (Registered 16 July 2021)

From 11 April 2022, Member of the Liverpool City Region Freeport Board. This is an unpaid role. (Registered 22 April 2022)

From 8 April 2022, Trustee of the Royal Court Theatre, Liverpool. This is an unpaid role. (Registered 26 April 2022)

Member of UNITE and UNISON unions.

Loughton, Tim (East Worthing and Shoreham)

1. Employment and earnings

Adviser to the Board of the Outcomes First Group (formerly the National Fostering Agency (NFA) and Chairman of the Quality and Safeguarding Board, Outcomes First Group, 71 Cowley Road, Uxbridge UB8 2AE.

I receive an annual salary of £37,000 in return for an expected commitment of 12 hrs a month. (First registered 18 April 2013; last updated 09 January 2020)

Payments from Eden & Partners Ltd, Snells Cottage, The Green, Newick, Lewes BN8 4LA:

11 June 2021, received £400 for a training session for NHS professionals.

Hours: 2 hrs. (Registered 11 June 2021)

29 June 2021, received £400 for a training session for NHS professionals.

Hours: 2 hrs. (Registered 29 June 2021)

1 July 2021, received £400 for a training session for NHS professionals.

Hours: 2 hrs. (Registered 01 July 2021)

8 July 2021, received £350 for a training session for NHS professionals.

Hours: 2 hrs. (Registered 15 July 2021)

15 July 2021, received £350 for a training session for NHS professionals.

Hours: 2 hrs. (Registered 15 July 2021)

13 September 2021, received £400 for a training session for NHS professionals. Hours: 2 hrs. (Registered 13 September 2021)

30 March 2022, received £350 for a training session for NHS professionals.

Hours: 2 hrs. (Registered 03 May 2022)

Payments from the Sun, the News Building, 1 London Bridge Street, London SE1 9GF:

16 August 2021, received £400 for an article published on 1 August 2021.

Hours: 2 hrs. (Registered 23 August 2021)

22 December 2021, received £400 for an article published on 4 December 2021. Hours: 2 hrs. Fee donated to charity. (Registered 22 December 2021)

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From 1 June 2021 until further notice, Chairman of the Quality and Safeguarding Board, Consensus Support Services Ltd, 654 The Crescent, Colchester Business Park, Colchester CO4 9YQ. I receive an annual salary of £25,000, paid monthly. Hours: approx. 10 hrs a month. (Registered 02 June 2021)

4. Visits outside the UK

Name of donor: International Republican Institute Address of donor: 1225 I (Eye) Street NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20005 Estimate of the probable value (or amount of any donation): international transport, accommodation, transfers and meals to the value of £1,084

Destination of visit: Rome, Italy Dates of visit: 21-24 November 2021

Purpose of visit: Attending and addressing a conference for legislators and experts from across Europe and America to discuss foreign policy relation relating to the People's Republic of China.

(Registered 03 December 2021)

Name of donor: Armenian National Parliament Address of donor: 19 Marshal Baghramyan Ave, Yerevan 0095, Armenia Estimate of the probable value (or amount of any donation): Hotel accommodation for four nights, estimated value £384; hospitality, estimated value £200; total value £584

Destination of visit: Armenia Dates of visit: 1-4 April 2022

Purpose of visit: APPG for Armenia delegation to foster closer relations between our respective parliaments, engage in discussions with ministers, organisations and businesses and visit the Nagorno-Karabakh border to meet officials and refugees from that area.

(Registered 03 May 2022)

Name of donor: Parliament of Georgia Address of donor: 8 Rustaveli Avenue, 0118 Tbilisi, Georgia Estimate of the probable value (or amount of any donation): Hotel accommodation for four nights, estimated value £325; local transportation and hospitality, estimated value £160; total value £485

Destination of visit: Georgia Dates of visit: 4-8 April 2022

Purpose of visit: APPG for Georgia visit to build on closer parliamentary relations.

(Registered 03 May 2022)

9. Family members employed and paid from parliamentary expenses

I employ my wife, Elizabeth Loughton, as part-time Office Manager. (Updated 18 May 2015)

Thewliss, Alison (Glasgow Central)

3. Gifts, benefits and hospitality from UK sources

Name of donor: Lawn Tennis Association Ltd

Address of donor: National Tennis Centre, 100 Priory Lane, Roehampton, London SW15 5JQ

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: Tickets with hospitality for me and a staff member for the Billie Jean Cup tennis finals in the Emirates Arena in Glasgow on (£389.23 per person), total value £778.46

Date received: 12 November 2022

Date accepted: 12 November 2022

Donor status: company, registration 07459469

(Registered 09 January 2023)

8. Miscellaneous

From 8 January 2020, Chair of Clyde Gateway URC Board. (Registered 09 January 2020)

From 13 August 2020, Honorary Vice President, Energy Action Scotland. This is an unpaid post.

(Registered 15 October 2020)

(ii) Specialist Advisers

19 April 2023:

Christine Beddoe, Specialist Adviser for the inquiry into Human Trafficking, declared the following interests: a member of the labour party.

Ryszard Piotrowicz, Specialist Adviser for the inquiry into Human Trafficking, declared the following interests: holds the position of principal investigator in a collaborative research project with Trilateral Research, Causeway and FiftyEight. This project is funded by the Modern Slavery and Human Rights Policy and Evidence Centre.

Colin Carswell, Specialist Adviser for the inquiry into Human Trafficking, declared the following interests: nil

18 October 2023:

Kathryn Westmore, Specialist Adviser for the inquiry into Fraud, declared the following interests: employment at RUSI, membership of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales, membership of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, membership of the International Compliance Association.

Nicolas Ryder, Specialist Adviser for the inquiry into Fraud, declared the following interests: employment at Cardiff University, School of Law and Politics (since August 2022); Other Financial Interests • Royalty payments from academic publishers for authored books (Edward Elgar, Cambridge University Press, Routledge, Hart, Bloomsbury) • Royalty payments for editing book on counter-terrorism financing that was commissioned by NATO • Royalty payments for editing the Law of Financial Crime Series (Routledge) • Annual payments for acting as co-editor in chief for Journal of Economic Criminology (Elsevier) • Payments for acting as an external examiner for PhD Exams • Payments for giving guest lecture on financial crime (Singapore Business School); Research Contracts/Externally Funded Projects (these projects have been directly funded to the University during my employment and I have not received any additional income from these) • 'Exchange of Information and Fraud'; (PI, £15,000, 2023) – STOPSCAMS/Home Office • Transform Suspicious Activity Reports (SARs); UK's First Technology Line of Defence (PI, £500,000, 2022-2024) – InnovateUK • 'Detecting and challenging Local Government Authority Fraud committed by Organised Criminal Groups through Investigation Process Automation' Innovate UK (PI, £250,000, 2021-2023) – Innovate UK • 'Terrorism financing and fraud', Royal United Services Institute (PI, £800, 2020) - RUSI • 'Identifying and Tackling Counter-Terrorism Finances Through Investigation Automation', Innovate UK (PI, £490,000, 2020-2022) - InnovateUK • 'Money laundering in the United Kingdom', (PI, £10,000, 2018) - LexisNexis Risk Solutions • 'Understanding, Countering and Mitigating Security Threats Hub', (Co-I, £4.3m, UWE value £42,000, 2015-2018) ESRC • 'Counter-terrorist financing training' (PI, (£10,000, 2014-2015) - Wilmington Plc • 'A Review of KPI Measurements of the DCPCU', (PI, £10,000, 2013-2014) – City of London Police • 'Regulation of Crowd Funding', Universities South West (PI, £5,000, 2013-2014) – Entrelancer • 'Current Trends and Future Challenges: Implications of Financial Fraud Statutes in the UK and USA for Companies', (PI, £38,000, 2007-2008) – France Telecom Group • 'Credit Union Research Project', (PI, £340,000, 2002-2005) – European Social Fund • 'Credit Union Research Project', European Social Fund, (PI, £270,000, 2001-2004) – European Social Fund • 'Credit Union Research Project', European Social Fund, (PI, £47,000, 2001-2004) – European Social Fund Consultancy • Contracted by Themis to conduct research for the Foreign and Commonwealth Office on the emerging terrorism financing threats in the United Arab Emirates (2022) House of Commons Home Affairs Committee – For Committee use only • I have delivered a series of counter-terrorism financing training courses for ICPS, Cepol, NATO, EUROMED Police. Other Financial Interests • Royalty payments from academic publishers for authored books (Edward Elgar, Cambridge University Press, Routledge, Hart, Bloomsbury

17 April 2024:

David Neal, Specialist Adviser, declared the following interests: Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration (March 21-Feb 24), Director of Brea Hill Advisory Limited (Security Consultancy), Occasional paid media work (papers, TV, radio).