

# Work and Pensions Committee attendance for Session 2023–24

The Committee was nominated by the House of Commons on 2 March 2020.

Note: Members of Parliament value the opportunity to be a member of a select committee and will try to participate as fully as they can. Not all the work they do happens in formal meetings. As Members of Parliament, committee members have other duties in the House that may sometimes limit their attendance at select committee meetings. They may have commitments in the Chamber or Westminster Hall, or on other parliamentary committees, such as those scrutinising legislation. Most belong to political parties and may have to attend meetings and events in that capacity. Some hold official front-bench positions or work in support of those who do. Most will, on occasion, need to put a constituency issue ahead of committee attendance. Attendance rates can also be affected by such things as illnesses or caring responsibilities. In some cases, a Member might not attend if they have indicated they wish to leave the committee but the House has yet to discharge them.

Current members	Attendance
Sir Stephen Timms (Labour, East Ham) (Chair) (added 29 Jan 2020)	24 of 24 (100.0%)
Debbie Abrahams (Labour, Oldham East and Saddleworth) (added 2 Mar 2020)	22 of 24 (91.7%)
Shaun Bailey (Conservative, West Bromwich West) (added 2 Mar 2020)	4 of 24 (16.7%)
Siobhan Baillie (Conservative, Stroud) (added 2 Mar 2020)	15 of 24 (62.5%)
Neil Coyle (Labour, Bermondsey and Old Southwark) (added 2 Mar 2020)	10 of 24 (41.7%)
Marsha De Cordova (Labour, Battersea) (added 18 Dec 2023)	10 of 18 (55.6%)
David Linden <sup>1</sup> (Scottish National Party, Glasgow East) (added 9 Jan 2023)	15 of 24 (62.5%)
Nigel Mills (Conservative, Amber Valley) (added 2 Mar 2020)	20 of 24 (83.3%)

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<sup>1</sup> David Linden was certified by the Speaker as eligible for a proxy vote which was in operation from 12 March 2024 to 23 May 2024 under Standing Order No. 39A and the [Speaker's certificate of 11 March 2024](#).

Selaine Saxby (Conservative, North Devon) (added 2 Mar 2020)	21 of 24 (87.5%)
Dr Ben Spencer (Conservative, Runnymede and Weybridge) (added 2 Mar 2020)	9 of 24 (37.5%)
Sir Desmond Swayne (Conservative, New Forest West) (added 2 Mar 2020)	24 of 24 (100.0%)

<b>Former members</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
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Steve McCabe (Labour, Birmingham, Selly Oak) (added 2 Mar 2020; removed 18 Dec 2023)	4 of 6 (66.7%)
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<b>Overall</b>	<b>67.0%</b>
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