



House of Commons

Home Affairs Committee

Formal Minutes

Session 2019

The Home Affairs Committee

The Home Affairs Committee is appointed by the House of Commons to examine the expenditure, administration, and policy of the Home Office and its associated public bodies.

Current membership

Rt Hon Yvette Cooper MP (Chair, Labour, Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford)
Rehman Chishti MP (Conservative, Gillingham and Rainham)
Sir Christopher Chope MP (Conservative, Christchurch)
Janet Daby MP (Labour, Lewisham East)
Stephen Doughty MP (Labour (Co-op), Cardiff South and Penarth)
Chris Green MP (Conservative, Bolton West)
Kate Green MP (Labour, Stretford and Urmston)
Tim Loughton MP (Conservative, East Worthing and Shoreham)
Stuart C. McDonald MP (Scottish National Party, Cumbernauld, Kilsyth & Kirkintilloch East)
Toby Perkins MP (Labour, Chesterfield)
Douglas Ross MP (Conservative, Moray)

Powers

The Committee is one of the departmental select committees, the powers of which are set out in House of Commons Standing Orders, principally in SO No 152. These are available on the Internet via www.parliament.uk.

Publication

The Reports and evidence of the Committee are published by The Stationery Office by Order of the House. All publications of the Committee (including press notices) are on the Internet at www.parliament.uk/homeaffairscom.

Committee staff

The current staff of the Committee are Elizabeth Hunt, (Clerk), Dominic Stockbridge (Second Clerk), Simon Armitage (Committee Specialist), Penny McLean (Committee Specialist), Robert Sabbarton (Committee Specialist), Paul Simpkin (Senior Committee Assistant), Melissa Bailey (Committee Assistant) and George Perry (Select Committee Media Officer).

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Proceedings of the Home Affairs Committee

FORMAL MINUTES

Monday 14 October 2019

The following evidence was reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by the order of the Committee of 4 September 2019:

Correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary, dated 8 October 2019, relating to the association of the police with political activity.

Correspondence from the Home Secretary, dated 11 October 2019, relating to immigration arrangements for EU citizens in the event of the UK exiting the European Union without a withdrawal agreement.

Tuesday 15 October 2019

Rt Hon Yvette Cooper, in the Chair

Toby Perkins

Douglas Ross

1. The Macpherson Report: Twenty Years On

Ordered, That the following written evidence to the inquiry into the Macpherson Report: Twenty Years On be reported to the House for publication:

MPR0079 Minister of State for Policing

2. Correspondence to be published

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

Correspondence from the Minister of State for Policing, dated 10 October 2019, relating to the increase in police numbers.

3. Hate crime and its violence consequences

Kim Leadbeater, Ambassador, Catherine Anderson, Chief Executive Officer, The Jo Cox Foundation, Jane Ramsey, Independent Member, and Lord Evans of Weardale KCB, Chair, Committee on Standards in Public Life, gave evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 23 October at 2.00 pm.]

Wednesday 16 October 2019

The following evidence was reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by the order of the Committee of 4 September 2019:

Correspondence with the Home Secretary relating to refugee family reunion and the Dublin III Regulations.

Wednesday 23 October 2019

Rt Hon Yvette Cooper, in the Chair

Rehman Chishti	Kate Green
Sir Christopher Chope	Tim Loughton
Janet Daby	Stuart C McDonald
Stephen Doughty	Toby Perkins
Chris Green	Douglas Ross

1. Islamophobia

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

HCL0062 National Association of Muslim Police

2. Hate crime and its violent consequences

Ordered, That the following written evidence to the inquiry into Hate crime and its violent consequences be reported to the House for publication:

OHC0038 London Assembly

3. Correspondence to be published

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

Correspondence from the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 16 October 2019, relating to the Government's no-deal readiness report;

Correspondence from the Home Secretary, dated 15 October 2019, relating to unaccompanied asylum-seeking children in France;

Correspondence from the Home Secretary, dated 22 October 2019, relating to an update on the Windrush Taskforce;

Correspondence from the Minister of State for Security, dated 22 October 2019, relating to UK-US Agreement on data access.

4. Police complaints and conduct

Resolved, That the Committee conduct an inquiry into Police complaints and conduct.

5. Home Office preparations for Brexit and the Work of the Home Secretary

Resolved, That the Committee visit the National Police Co-ordination Centre.

Ordered, That the following written evidence to the inquiry into Home Office preparations for Brexit be reported to the House for publication:

PFB0016 Safe Passage

PFB0017 Home Office

Rt Hon Priti Patel MP, Home Secretary, Sir Philip Rutnam KCB, Permanent Secretary, Shona Dunn, Second Permanent Secretary, Glyn Williams, Director General, Borders, Immigration and Citizenship Systems Policy and Strategy Group, and Paul Lincoln, Director General UK Border Force, gave evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 5 November at 1.45 pm

Monday 4 November 2019

The following evidence was reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by the order of the Committee of 4 September 2019:

Correspondence from the Home Secretary, dated 30 October 2019, relating to unaccompanied asylum-seeking children in France;

Correspondence from the Minister for Women relating to prostitution and sex work in England and Wales;

Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary, Home Office, dated 4 November 2019, relating to oral evidence provided to the Committee on 23 October 2019;

Correspondence relating to the Committee's previous inquiry into Private Investigators (2012):

Peter Clark

John McDonald

Gary Walters

*Memorandum relating to the inquiry into Modern Slavery
MSA0146 Anti-Slavery International.*

Memoranda relating to the inquiry into the Macpherson report: twenty years on:

MPR0080 Alex Gent, Association of Muslim Police

MPR0081 West Yorkshire Police

MPR0082 National Black Police Association (redacted)

MPR0083 Matthew Ryder

MPR0084 Jane Deighton

Tuesday 5 November 2019

The following evidence was reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by the order of the Committee of 4 September 2019:

Government response to the Committee's Sixteenth Report of Session 2017–19, Serious Youth Violence, HC (2017–19) 1016;

Correspondence from the Home Secretary, dated 5 November 2019, relating to oral evidence provided to the Committee on 23 October 2019;

Correspondence from the Home Secretary, dated 5 November 2019, relating to a review of pre-charge bail legislation.