



Formal Minutes of the Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee in Session 2021–22

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

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Thursday 13 May 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair ¹

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

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:

The work of the Electoral Commission

Professor Toby S. James [TEC 41]

Post appointment hearing: The Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests

Correspondence from with Simon Case, Cabinet Secretary and Head of the Civil Service, dated 10 May 2021.

Correspondence with Rt Hon The Lord Geidt, The Government's Preferred Candidate for the role of The Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests dated 5 May 2021.

¹ Elected by the House (Standing Order No. 122B); see Votes and Proceedings [18 June 2015].

Correspondence with Simon Case, Cabinet Secretary and Head of the Civil Service, dated 28 April 2021.

Propriety and Ethics in Government

Correspondence with Simon Case, Cabinet Secretary and Head of the Civil Service, dated 27 April 2021.

The data on the 'traffic light system for international travel'

Correspondence with Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP, Secretary of State for Transport, dated 27 April 2021.

Covid vaccine certification

Correspondence from Ed Humpherson, Director General for Regulation, Office for Statistics Regulation, dated 28 April 2021.

Correspondence from Professor Sir Ian Diamond, National Statistician, dated 28 April 2021.

Correspondence from Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 7 May 2021.

Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman Scrutiny 2020-21

Correspondence from Department of Health and Social Care, dated 29 April 2021.

Proposed extension of Rob Behrens' term as the PHSO Commissioner

Correspondence from Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 30 April 2021.

Commissioner for Public Appointments

Correspondence from Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 3 May 2021.

Boardman Review of Procurement

Correspondence from Alex Chisholm, Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office and Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service, dated 7 May 2021.

Estimates Memoranda

Main Estimate Memorandum 2021-22 from The Statistics Board.

3. Post appointment hearing: The Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests

Rt Hon The Lord Geidt, The Government's Preferred Candidate, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 18 May 2021 at 8.55 am

Wednesday 18 May 2021

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

John 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:

The data on the 'traffic light system for international travel'

Correspondence with Rt Hon Matt Hancock MP, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, dated 12 May 2021.

The Dissolution and Calling of Parliament Bill to repeal the 2011 Act

Correspondence Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 12 May 2021.

The work of the Cabinet Office

Correspondence from Sarah Harrison, The Chief Operating Officer in the Cabinet Office, dated 13 May 2021.

Propriety and Ethics in Government

Correspondence from Simon Case, Cabinet Secretary and Head of the Civil Service, dated 14 May 2021.

Estimates Memoranda

Main Estimate Memorandum 2021-22 from The Cabinet Office.

3. The work of the Cabinet Office

Alex Chisholm, Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office and Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service and Sarah Harrison, Chief Operating Officer of the Cabinet Office gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Thursday 20 May 2021 at 1.25 pm

Thursday 20 May 2021

The Committee met concurrently with the Northern Ireland Affairs, Scottish Affairs and Welsh Affairs Committees

Members present:

Jackie Doyle-Price
David Mundell
Karin Smyth
William Wragg

The following members of the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee were also present (Standing Order No. 137A).

Simon Hoare
Fay Jones
Ian Paisley Jr.

The following members of the Scottish Affairs Committee were also present (Standing Order No. 137A).

Pete Wishart
Andrew Bowie
Wendy Chamberlain.

The following members of the Welsh Affairs Committee were also present (Standing Order No. 137A).

Geraint Davies
Ben Lake
Robin Millar.

Mr William Wragg was called to the Chair (Standing Order No.137A (1)(d)).

1. The Dunlop Review and the UK Government's union capability

The Committees considered this matter.

Lord Dunlop gave oral evidence.

Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office and Sue Gray, Second Permanent Secretary in the Cabinet Office gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 24 May 2021 at 12.30pm

Monday 24 May 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Jackie Doyle-Price

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

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:

Appointment of an independent reviewer in advance of the Infected Blood inquiry

Correspondence from Rt Hon Penny Mordaunt MP, Paymaster General of the United Kingdom in the Cabinet Office, dated 20 May 2021.

Post-appointment hearing The Independent Adviser on Ministers Interests

Correspondence with Lord Geidt, The Independent Adviser on Ministers Interests, dated 18 May 2021.

Correspondence with Simon Case, Cabinet Secretary and Head of the Civil Service, dated 18 May 2021.

Reforms to Government's delivery of public services

Correspondence with Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 20 May 2021.

The Work of the Cabinet Office

Correspondence with Simon Case, Cabinet Secretary and Head of the Civil Service, dated 20 May 2021.

3. Government transparency and accountability during Covid 19

Draft Special Report (Government transparency and accountability during Covid 19: The data underpinning decisions: Government Response to the Committee's Eighth report of session 2019-21), proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

The Government's response to the Eighth Report from the Committee of Session 2019-21 was 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.

4. Covid-19 Vaccine Certification

The Committee considered this matter.

Professor Peter Openshaw, Professor of Experimental Medicine, Imperial College London, Professor Judith Breuer, Director of Infection and Immunity, Professor of Virology, UCL, Professor Trish Greenhalgh, Professor of Primary Care Health Sciences, University of Oxford and Professor Melinda Mills, Professor of Demography, University of Oxford gave oral evidence.

Emma McClarkin, Chief Executive, British Beer and Pub Association, Bill Bush, Director of Policy, Premier League and Richard Jordan, Producer, Richard Jordan Productions, and Patron of the Brighton Fringe gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 25 May 2021 at 8.55am

Tuesday 25 May 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

John 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:

Parliamentary Scrutiny of the Government's handling of Covid-19

Correspondence with the Prime Minister dated 25 May 2021.

3. The Work of the Electoral Commission

The Committee considered this matter.

Paul Comer, Former Compliance Director, Britain Stronger in Europe, Alan Halsall, Former Responsible Person, Vote Leave Ltd and Scott Martin, Solicitor to the SNP and former Responsible Person, Yes Scotland Ltd gave oral evidence.

Rt Hon Dominic Grieve QC, Former member of the Independent Commission on Referendums, Rt Hon Baroness Stuart of Edgbaston, Former member of the Independent Commission on Referendums, Dr Alan Renwick, Deputy Director of the Constitution Unit and Barry Ryan, Principal Officer, Franchise Unit, Department of

Housing, Local Government and Heritage of the Republic of Ireland gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Thursday 27 May 2021 at 2.45pm

Thursday 27 May 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

John Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. The role and status of the Prime Minister's Office

Draft Report The role and status of the Prime Minister's Office, 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 67.

3. Covid-19 Vaccine Certification

The Committee considered this matter.

Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster in the Cabinet Office, Dr Susan Hopkins, Interim Chief Medical Advisor, NHS Test and Trace and Strategic Response Director for COVID-19 at Public Health England and Kathy Hall, Director General of Delivery, COVID-19 Task Force in the Cabinet Office gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 8 June 2021 at 8.55am

Tuesday 08 June 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

John 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:

Update on work to establish the Office for the Internal Market

Correspondence with Andrea Coscelli, dated 27 May 2021

Independent Adviser on Ministers Interests

Correspondence with Simon Case, Cabinet Secretary and Head of the Civil Service, dated 30 May 2021

The Work of the Cabinet Office

Correspondence with Alex Chisholm, Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office and Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service, dated 1 June 2021

Appointment of PHSO Commissioner

Correspondence with Michael Gove, dated 8 June 2021

3. The role and status of the Prime Minister's Office

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Propriety of governance in light of Greensill

The Committee considered this matter.

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

Mr Michael Beal [PGG 02]; Jag Patel [PGG 03]; Professor Justin Fisher [PGG 04]; Chartered Institute of Public Relations (CIPR) [PGG 05]; Protect [PGG 06]; ACOBA [PGG 07]; Dr John J.A. Cullen [PGG 08]; Professor Paul Heywood [PGG 10]; Dr Ben Worthy [PGG 11]; PRCA [PGG 12]; Trades Union Congress (TUC) [PGG 13]; Transparency International UK [PGG 14]; Ms Emily Wallace and Mr Michael Burrell [PGG 15]; 38 Degrees [PGG 16]; UK Anti-Corruption Coalition [PGG 17]; Spotlight on Corruption [PGG 18]; Institute for Government [PGG 19]; Campaign for Freedom of Information [PGG 20].

Sir John Manzoni KCB, former Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office, The Rt Hon Lord Maude of Horsham, former Minister for the Cabinet Office, Ian Watmore, former Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office and Bill Crothers, former Government Chief Commercial Officer and former Director at Greensill Capital gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Thursday 10 June 2021 at 9.30am

Thursday 10 June 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present:

Ronnie Cowan
Jackie Doyle-Price
Rachel Hopkins
Mr David Jones
John McDonnell
Tom Randall
Lloyd Russell-Moyle
Karin Smyth

1. Chair

Resolved, That, at this day's sitting, Mr David Jones take the Chair of the Committee.
— (John McDonnell.)

2. Covid-Status Certification

Draft Report Covid-Status Certification, 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 42.

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

Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law [CVC 881]

Correspondence from Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 9 June 2021

3. Evidence reported for publication

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

Platinum Jubilee Civic Honours Competition

Correspondence from the Minister of State for the Constitution and Devolution,
dated 8 June 2021

Investigation into handling of a Windrush case

Correspondence from Rob Behrens, Parliamentary and Health Service
Ombudsman, dated 8 June 2021

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 15 June 2021 at 9.30am

Tuesday 15 June 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

John Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into the Dissolution and Calling of Parliament Bill.

2. Evidence reported for publication

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

UK Common Frameworks Programme

Correspondence from Alex Chisholm, Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office and Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service, dated 10 June 2021

The Government Response to the Committee's Eighth Report of Session 2019–21

Correspondence with Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 15 June 2021

Pre-appointment Hearing: Commissioner of Public Appointments

Correspondence with Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 15 June 2021

The work of the Cabinet Office

Correspondence from Professor Sir Ian Diamond, National Statistician, dated 9 June 2021

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 23 June 2021 at 2.30pm

Wednesday 23 June 2021

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Jackie Doyle-Price

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

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:

Propriety of governance in light of Greensill

Correspondence from John Manzoni, dated 15 June 2021

Correspondence from Suzanne Heywood, dated 14 June 2021

The Scrutiny of International Treaties and other international agreements in the 21st century

Alexander Horne [SIT 01], Trade justice Movement [SIT 02], Sir Michael Wood [SIT 03], RSPCA [SIT 04]

3. Dissolution and Calling of Parliament Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

Chloe Smith MP, Minister for Constitution and Devolution, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 29 June 2021 at 8.55 am

Tuesday 29 June 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

John Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into The Cabinet Office and Freedom of Information

2. Evidence reported for publication

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

Use of NHS Covid Pass

Correspondence with the English Football Association, dated 24 June 2021

Correspondence with Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster dated 24 June 2021

3. PHSO investigation into the impact of the Health and Social Care Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

4. The work of the Electoral Commission

The Committee considered this matter.

Alan Mabbutt, Registered Treasurer and Legal Officer, Conservative Party, Scott Martin, Solicitor to the Scottish National Party, Rt Hon Lord Tyler, Spokesperson on Political & Constitutional Reform, Liberal Democrat and Andrew Whyte, Acting Director of Governance and Legal, Labour Party gave oral evidence.

Geraint Day, Deputy Chief Executive and Head of Campaigns, Plaid Cymru, Jon Nott, Treasurer, Green Party (England & Wales), Richard Tice, Leader, Reform UK and Amy Killen, Campaigns Manager, Women's Equality Party gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 6 July 2021 at 8.55 am

Tuesday 6 July 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Tom Randall

Karin Smyth

John 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:

Pre-appointment Hearing: Commissioner of Public Appointments

Correspondence from the Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 30 June 2021

Covid status certification

Correspondence from James MacDougall, FA to Chair, dated 25 June 2021

Correspondence from Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 28 June 2021

The Government's response to the Committee's Eighth Report of session 2019-21

Correspondence from Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 28 June 2021

Correspondence to Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 06 July 2021

Government's Bill to repeal the Fixed-term Parliaments Act

Correspondence from Minister for the Cabinet Office, dated 01 July 2021

The Health and Social Care Bill and PHSO

Correspondence to Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, dated 29 June 2021

The Work of the Cabinet Office

Correspondence from the Rupert McNeil, dated 28 June 2021

3. The Evolution of Devolution: English Devolution

The Committee considered this matter.

Rt Hon Andy Burnham, Mayor of Manchester Combined Authority and Jamie Driscoll, Mayor of North of Tyne Combined Authority gave oral evidence.

Aldr Roy Perry, Chair, South East Councils (SEC), former Leader of (current Alderman for) Hampshire CC, Cllr John Fuller OBE, Chair of the District Council Network (DCN) and Cllr Martin Tett, Leader of Buckinghamshire Council gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Thursday 15 July 2021 at 9.45 am

Thursday 15 July 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

John 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:

Covid status certification

Correspondence from Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 05 July 2021

The Health and Social Care Bill and PHSO

Correspondence from Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, dated 08 July 2021

3. The Evolution of Devolution: English Devolution

The Committee considered this matter.

Ben Houchen, Mayor of Tees Valley Combine Authority and Tracy Brabin, Mayor of West Yorkshire Combined Authority gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 20 July 2021 at 8.55 am

Tuesday 20 July 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

John 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:

The Health and Social Care Bill and PHSO

Correspondence with Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, dated 20 July 2021

Dissolution and Calling of Parliament Bill

Correspondence with Chloe Smith MP, Minister for Constitution and Devolution, dated 20 July 2021

Extension of term as Chair and Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman

Correspondence with Rob Behrens, Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman, dated 20 July 2021

3. The Elections Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into The Elections Bill.

4. The work of the Electoral Commission

The Committee considered this matter.

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

The International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance [TEC 43]

Dr Jess Garland, Director of Policy and Research, Electoral Reform Society, Peter Geoghegan, Investigations Editor, openDemocracy and Lord Hodgson of Astley Abbotts gave oral evidence.

Dave Timms, Head of Political Affairs, Friends of the Earth, Chloe Hardy, Director of Policy and Communications, Sheila McKechnie Foundation (SMK), Dr Rowan Popplewell, Policy Manager, Civic Space, Bond and Chris Weavers, Acting Head of National Official Campaigns, Policy and Communications, NASUWT The Teachers' Union gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 21 July 2021 at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 21 July 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

John McDonnell

Tom Randall

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Propriety of Governance in Light of Greensill: An Interim Report

Draft Report Propriety of Governance in Light of Greensill: An Interim Report, 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 59.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 07 September 2021 at 8.30 am

Tuesday 7 September 2021

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Tom Randall

Karin Smyth

John 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:

Judicial Review and Courts Bill

Correspondence with Rt Hon Robert Buckland QC MP, dated 21 July 2021

Boardman Review

Correspondence with Chloe Smith MP, Minister for Constitution and Devolution, dated 22 July 2021

Lack of progress in a number of high-profile competitions

Correspondence from Rt Hon Peter Riddell CBE, Commissioner for Public Appointments, to Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 22 July 2021

Provision of vaccines for COP26 delegates

Correspondence from Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 23 July 2021

Use of UK wide data for better comparisons of devolved policy

Correspondence from Professor Sir Ian Diamond, National Statistician, dated 02 August 2021

Data Ethics

Correspondence from Professor Sir Ian Diamond, National Statistician, dated 10 August 2021

The Health and Social Care Bill and PHSO

Correspondence with Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, dated 13 August 2021

Dissolution and Calling of Parliament Bill

Correspondence with Chloe Smith MP, Minister for Constitution and Devolution, dated 12 August 2021

The Venice Commission

Correspondence from Rob Behrens, Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman, dated 31 August 2021

The Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House

Correspondence with Chloe Smith MP, Minister for Constitution and Devolution, dated 31 August 2021

3. The Elections Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

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

Correspondence with Chloe Smith MP, Minister for Constitution and Devolution, dated 27 August 2021

Roger Clarke [TEB01]; Silver Voices [TEB02]; Best for Britain [TEB03]; Age UK [TEB05]; The Electoral Commission [TEB06]; Jill Green [TEB07]; Sandra Figgess [TEB 08]; MBE Sue Wilson (Chair at Breman in Spain), and Lisa Burton (Vice Chair at Breman in Spain) [TEB10]; Committee on Standards in Public Life [TEB11]; Association of Electoral Administrators [TEB12]; Dr. Alistair Clark

[TEB13]; Sense [TEB14]; The Electoral Management Board for Scotland [TEB15]; Professor Justin Fisher [TEB16]; The Royal Mencap Society [TEB17]; Dr Sam Power [TEB18]; Chesham and Amersham ForwardTogether [TEB19]; Brexpat's - Hear Our Voice [TEB20]; Mr Mark Munro [TEB22]; Voice4Change England [TEB24]; LGBT Foundation [TEB26]; Liz Crosbie, and Lyn Dade [TEB27]; British in Europe ASBL [TEB28]; Inclusion Scotland [TEB29]; National TULO [TEB30]; Democracy Volunteers [TEB31]; Stonewall [TEB32]; Trades Union Congress [TEB34]; Professor Toby James [TEB35]; Electoral Reform Society [TEB36]; Mermaids [TEB37]; The Runnymede Trust [TEB38]; Unlock Democracy [TEB39]; Young Europeans Network, the3million, and Polish Migrants Organise for Change (POMOC) [TEB40]; Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB) [TEB41]; Scottish Assessors Association [TEB42]; Involve [TEB43]; Dr Susan Collard [TEB44]; Cross-Border Services Group [TEB45]; Full Fact [TEB46]; The Patchwork Foundation [TEB47]; Transparency International UK [TEB49]; Professor Alan Renwick [TEB50]; Conservatives Abroad [TEB51]; Bond [TEB53]; Mr Graham Allen [TEB54]

Dr Jess Garland, Director of Policy and Research, Electoral Reform Society, Professor Toby James, Professor of Politics & Public Policy, University of East Anglia, Angela Kitching, Head of External Affairs, Age UK, Helen Mountfield QC, Matrix Chambers and Peter Stanyon, Chief Executive, Association of Electoral Administrators gave oral evidence.

Louise Edwards, Director of Regulation, Electoral Commission, Lord Evans of Weardale, Chair, Committee on Standards in Public Life (CSPL), Professor Justin Fisher, Professor of Political Science and Director of Brunel Public Policy, Brunel University London, Pete O'Doherty, Assistant Chief Constable, Thames Valley Police and Dr Sam Power, Lecturer, University of Sussex gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 14 September 2021 at 8.55 am

Tuesday 14 September 2021

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

John Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. The Elections Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

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

Correspondence with Chloe Smith MP, Minister for Constitution and Devolution, dated 27 August 2021

Chloe Smith MP, Minister for Constitution and Devolution, Cabinet Office, gave oral evidence.

In the absence of the Chair, Rt Hon David Jones was called to the chair.

Chloe Smith MP, Minister for Constitution and Devolution, Cabinet Office, gave further oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Thursday 16 September 2021 at 9.30 am

Thursday 16 September 2021

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

John Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman Annual Scrutiny 2020-21

2. Cabinet Committees

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

Correspondence with Simon Case, Cabinet Secretary and Head of the Civil Service, dated 16 September 2021

3. The role and status of the Prime Minister's Office

Draft Special Report (The role and status of the Prime Minister's Office: Government response to the Committee's First Report of Session 2021-22), 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 of Session 2021-22 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.

4. The Appointment of William Shawcross as The Commissioner for Public Appointments

Draft Report The Appointment of William Shawcross as The Commissioner for Public Appointments, 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 Fourth Report of the Committee, HC 662.

William Shawcross, the governments preferred candidate for the role of Commissioner for Public Appointments gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Thursday 21 October 2021 at 9.30 am

Thursday 21 October 2021

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

Karin Smyth

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:

Elections Bill

Andy Street CBE (Mayor of the West Midlands at Mayor of the West Midlands) [TEB 55] and Make Votes Matter [TEB 56]

Correspondence with Kemi Badenoch MP, dated 14 September 2021

Correspondence with Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, dated 23 September 2021

New Role as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster

Correspondence with Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, dated 16 September 2021

Boardman's Review

Correspondence from Chloe Smith MP, Minister for Constitution and Devolution, dated 16 September 2021

Update on Cabinet Committees, Composition and Chairs

Correspondence from with Simon Case, Cabinet Secretary and Head of the Civil Service, dated 20 September 2021

Pre-appointment Hearing - Commissioner for Public Appointments

Correspondence with Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 16 September 2021, 21 September 2021 and 30 September 2021

Correspondence with William Shawcross CVO, dated 7 October 2021

Infected Blood Compensation Study Terms of Reference

Correspondence from Rt Hon Michael Ellis QC MP, dated 23 September 2021

Mayoral Electoral Reform

Correspondence from Andy Burnham, dated 8 October 2021

Correspondence from Mayor Dan Jarvis MBE MP, dated 11 October 2021

The recruitment campaign for the First Civil Service Commissioner

Correspondence from Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 12 October 2021

Cabinet Office Main Estimates 2020-21

Correspondence with Alex Chisholm, Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office and Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service, dated 21 October 2021

Spending Review 2021

Correspondence with Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 21.10.21

3. The Work of the UK Statistics Authority: Scrutiny Session

Prof Sir Ian Diamond, National Statistician, UK Statistics Authority, Ed Humpherson, Director General for Regulation, Office for Statistics Regulation and Sir David Norgrove, Chair, UK Statistics Authority gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 26 October 2021 at 9.30 am

Tuesday 26 October 2021

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

David Mundell

John Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, that the Committee visit Belfast on 22 November in relation to multiple inquiries.

2. Evidence reported for publication

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

The Scrutiny of International Treaties and other international agreements in the 21st century

Keep Our NHS Public [SIT 05]; Fairtrade Foundation [SIT 06]; UKTPO - University of Sussex [SIT 07]; States of Guernsey (Government of Guernsey) [SIT 08]; Senedd Cymru / Welsh Parliament [SIT 09]; Her Majesty's Government [SIT 10]; Sir Michael Wood (Barrister; Member of the UN International Law Commission at Twenty Essex Chambers; UN International Law Commission) [SIT 11]; Dr. Emily Jones (Associate Professor at Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford); Danilo Garrido Alves (Research Officer at Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford); Anna Sands (Research Officer at Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford) [SIT 12]; The Bar Council [SIT 13]; National Farmers Union [SIT 14]; Friends of the Earth England, Wales and Northern Ireland [SIT 15]; Trade & Animal Welfare Coalition (TAWC) [SIT 16]; RSPCA [SIT 17]; Government of Jersey [SIT 18]; Public Law Project [SIT 19]; Dr Mario Mendez (Reader in Law, School of Law at Queen Mary University of

London) [SIT 20]; International Agreements Committee, House of Lords [SIT 21]

Publication of the second quarterly report on intergovernmental relations

Correspondence from Minister for Intergovernmental Relations, dated 21 October 2021

3. The Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House

The Committee considered this matter.

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

Mr Iain Overton (Writer at All The Citizens) [FOI 01]; Mr Pete Rowberry (n/a at None) [FOI 02]; Mr George Greenwood (Data Journalist at The Times and Sunday Times) [FOI 06]; Mr Jason Evans (Founder at Factor 8) [FOI 07]; TIM TATE (Journalist & author at Self-employed) [FOI 08]; Ms Wyeth [FOI 09]; Mr John Lubbock (Journalist at The Citizens) [FOI 10]; Martin Rosenbaum [FOI 12]; James Coombs (Solution Designer at Three (mobile phone operator)) [FOI 14]; MySociety [FOI 16]; News Media Association [FOI 20]; Dr Ben Worthy (Senior Lecturer at Birkbeck College) [FOI 21]; Professor Nigel Ashton (Professor of International History at London School of Economics and Political Science) [FOI 22]; openDemocracy [FOI 24]; Transparency International UK [FOI 25]; The National Union of Journalists (NUJ) [FOI 26]; Dr Mike Sheaff (Visiting Research Fellow (Sociology) School of Law, Criminology & Government at University of Plymouth) [FOI 27]; Jenna Corderoy (Journalist at openDemocracy) [FOI 28]; Mária Žuffová (Postdoctoral research associate at European University Institute) [FOI 29]; Spotlight on Corruption [FOI 30]; Information Commissioner's Office [FOI 46].

Martin Rosenbaum, former BBC journalist, Jenna Corderoy, Reporter, Investigations Team, openDemocracy and George Greenwood, Data Journalist, The Times and Sunday Times gave oral evidence.

Dr Ben Worthy, Senior Lecturer in Politics, Birkbeck College, University of London, Dr Mária Žuffová, Research Associate, Centre for Media Pluralism and Media Freedom, European University Institute and Gavin Freeguard, former data and transparency

programme director, Institute for Government & freelance consultant gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 2 November 2021 at 9.30 am

Tuesday 2 November 2021

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Tom Randall

John 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:

Engagement with the Chief Statistician in the Scottish Government

Correspondence from Richard Laux, Chief Statistician, Cabinet Office, dated 25 October 2021

3. Propriety of governance in light of Greensill

Nigel Boardman, Chair of inquiry into the Greensill lobbying scandal gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Thursday 25 November 2021 at 2.30 pm

Friday 19 November 2021

The following papers were reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by Order of the Committee of [13 March 2020] (Order made under the provisions of SO No 137; see Votes and Proceedings [12 September 2020]):

Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman Scrutiny 2020-21

Mrs Della Reynolds [PHO 4]; Mr Christopher Thompson [PHO 7]; Mr John Cull [PHO 8]; Mr Philip Butcher [PHO 10]; Mrs Shirley Lesiak [PHO 13]; Mr David Willingham [PHO 14]; Mrs Brenda Prentice [PHO 16]; Peter Marshall [PHO 17]; Mrs L Lane [PHO 19]; Ms Joy Hibbins [PHO 20]; Beat [PHO 21]; Action against Medical Accidents (AvMA) [PHO 22]; General Medical Council [PHO 27]; Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman [PHO 29]; M Whalley [PHO 30]; Independent Monitoring Authority for the Citizens' Rights Agreements [PHO 31]; David Czarnetzki [PHO 33]; Mr Nicholas Wheatley [PHO 37]; Helen Vernon (Chief Executive at NHS Resolution) [PHO 39].

Correspondence from Rob Behrens, Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman dated 02 and 12 November 2021

The Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House

Dr Emma Briant [FOI 31]; Liberty [FOI 32]; Mr. Graham Lanktree [FOI 33]; Culture Unstained [FOI 35]; Centre for Investigative Journalism [FOI 36]; Mr David Roper-Newman [FOI 37]; Guardian News & Media [FOI 38]; Tommy Sheppard [FOI 39]; Mr David Davis [FOI 40]; Mr Tommy Greene [FOI 41]; Mr Derek Moss [FOI 42]; Henry Dyer [FOI 43]; George Docherty [FOI 45].

Cabinet Office 2021-22 Main Supply Estimate

Correspondence from Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service and Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office dated 05 November 2021

The Cabinet Office Spending Review Settlement

Correspondence from Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster dated 31 October 2021

Sunday 21 November - Monday 22 November 2021

The Chair, Mr David Jones and Lloyd Russell-Moyle visited Belfast in connection with the Committee's inquiries relating to Devolved legislatures, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 26 October.

Thursday 25 November 2021

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Rachel Hopkins

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

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:

The Work of the UK Statistics Authority: Scrutiny Session

Correspondence with Sir David Norgrove, Chair of the UK Statistics Authority, Professor Sir Ian Diamond, National Statistician, and Ed Humpherson, Director General for Regulation, Office for Statistics Regulation, dated 18 November 2021

3. The Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House

Andrew White, Head of FOI Complaints and Appeals and Elizabeth Denham CBE, Information Commissioner, Information Commissioner's Office gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 7 December 2021 at 9.30 am

Tuesday 7 December 2021

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

John Stevenson

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into the Coronavirus Act 2020: Two Years On.

2. The Elections Bill

Draft Report The Elections Bill, 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 Fifth Report of the Committee, HC 597.

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

Jamie Driscoll [TEB 57]; Andy Burnham [TEB 58]; Dan Norris [TEB 59]; Dan Jarvis MBE MP [TEB 60].

3. Evidence reported for publication

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

Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman Scrutiny 2020-21

A1 [PHO 06]; A2 [PHO 12]; Mrs L Lane [PHO 28]; Liz Perlof [PHO 32]; Anonymised [PHO 34]; Mr Brown [PHO 35]; Catherine Bamford [PHO 36]; Anonymised [PHO 40].

The work of the electoral Commission

Professor Rachel Gibson [TEC 45]; Nick Burton [TEC 46].

UK Statistics (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2021

Correspondence from UK's National Statistician dated 23 November 2021

4. The work of the Electoral Commission

John Pullinger CB, Chair and Bob Posner, Chief executive, The Electoral Commission gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 14 December 2021 at 9.30 am

Tuesday 14 December 2021

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Mr David Jones

Jackie Doyle-Price

John McDonnell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

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:

Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman Scrutiny 2020-21

Prof. Malegapuru W. Makgoba (Ombudsman at Office of the Health Ombudsman, Republic of South Africa) [PHO 41].

The Government Response to the Transforming Public Procurement Green Paper Consultation

Correspondence from Lord Agnew dated 6 December 2021

The recruitment of the First Civil Service Commissioner

Correspondence from Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster dated 9 December 2021

The Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House

Correspondence from James Dipple-Johnstone dated 3 December 2021

Post appointment hearing: The Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests

Correspondence with Lord Geidt, The Independent Adviser on Ministers' Interests, dated 14 December 2021

3. Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman Scrutiny 2020-21

Rob Behrens CBE, Chair and Ombudsman and Amanda Amroliwala CBE, Chief Executive Officer, Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 11 January 2022 at 9.30 am

Tuesday 11 January 2022

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

John Stevenson

Karin Smyth

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, that the Committee visit Cardiff on 7th March in relation to multiple inquiries.

2. Evidence reported for publication

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

Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman Scrutiny 2020-21

Correspondence with Rob Behrens, Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman, dated 11 January 2022

The Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House

Correspondence from Andrew Scadding, Head of Corporate and Public Affairs at the BBC dated 23 December 2021

Extension of term as Chair and Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman

Correspondence from Rob Behrens, Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman, dated 5 January 2022

The Elections Bill report

Correspondence from Unlock Democracy and other campaign groups dated 5 January 2022

The Electoral Commission's investigation report

Correspondence with Lord Geidt, The Independent Adviser on Ministers Interests, dated 6 January 2022

3. Propriety of governance in light of Greensill

The Lord Evans of Weardale KCB DL, Chair at Committee on Standards in Public Life, gave oral evidence.

4. Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 18 January 2022 at 9.30 am

Tuesday 18 January 2022

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Tom Randall

John Stevenson

Karin Smyth

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:

Extension of term as Chair and Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman

Correspondence with Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster dated 14 December 2021

3. National Audit Office Briefing on The Cabinet Office

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Adjournment

Adjourned till Thursday 20 January 2022 at 9.30 am

Thursday 20 January 2022

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Mr David Jones

David Mundell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

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:

Coronavirus Act 2020 Two Years On

Mr Allen Leslie Jasson [TYO 01]; St John Ambulance [TYO 03]; Pandemic Ethics Accelerator [TYO 04]; Dr Laura Janes [TYO 06]; Big Brother Watch [TYO 07]; Law Society Scotland [TYO 08]; Professor Iyiola Solanke, Professor Gargi Bhattacharyya and Dr Monica Bernal Llanos [TYO 09]; Department of Health and Social Care [TYO 10].

3. The work of the Cabinet Office

Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office and Alex Chisholm, Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service and Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office gave oral evidence.

4. Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 25 January 2022 at 9.30 am

Tuesday 25 January 2022

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Mr David Jones

David Mundell

Tom Randall

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

John Stevenson

Karin Smyth

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:

Publication of the Review on Intergovernmental Relations

Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and Minister for Intergovernmental Relations dated 19 January 2021

3. Coronavirus Act 2020 Two Years On

Professor Jeff King, Professor of Law, University College London, Dr Ronan Cormacain, Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law and Dr Ruth Fox, Director, Hansard Society gave oral evidence.

4. Adjournment

Adjourned till Thursday 3 February 2022 at 9.30 am

Thursday 3 February 2022

Members present:

Ronnie Cowan
Jackie Doyle-Price
Mr David Jones
David Mundell
Tom Randall

1. Chair

Resolved, That, at this day's sitting, Jackie Doyle-Price take the Chair of the Committee. — (Rt Hon David Mundell.)

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:

The Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House

Correspondence with Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 25 January 2022

Correspondence from Elizabeth Denham CBE, UK Information Commissioner to Darren Tierney, Director General, Propriety and Ethics in the Cabinet Office, dated 19 July 2021

The Work of the Cabinet Office

Correspondence with Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 31 January and 3 February 2022

PHSO Business Plan 2022

Correspondence from Rob Behrens, Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman, dated 25 January 2022

4. The Appointment of The Right Hon. the Baroness Stuart of Edgbaston as the First Civil Service Commissioner

Draft Report The Appointment of The Right Hon. the Baroness Stuart of Edgbaston as the First Civil Service Commissioner, 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 Sixth Report of the Committee, HC 984.

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

First Civil Service Commissioner Candidate Information Pack.

The Right Hon. the Baroness Stuart of Edgbaston, the governments preferred candidate for the role of the First Civil Service Commissioner gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 8 February 2022 at 9.30 am

Tuesday 8 February 2022

Members present:

Ronnie Cowan
Jackie Doyle-Price
Mr David Jones
John McDonnell
Tom Randall
Lloyd Russell-Moyle
John Stevenson
Karin Smyth

1. Chair

Resolved, That, at this day's sitting, Jackie Doyle-Price take the Chair of the Committee. — (Tom Randall.)

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:

The Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House

Correspondence from Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster dated 1 February 2022

Covid Polling

Correspondence from Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster dated 31 January 2022

Levelling up White Paper

Correspondence from Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, dated 2 February 2022

Office of the Prime Minister

Correspondence with Alex Chisholm, Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office and Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service, dated 8 February 2022.

4. The Elections Bill

Draft Special Report (The Elections Bill: Government Response to the Committee's Fifth report of session 2021-22), 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 of Session 2021-22 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.

5. The Scrutiny of International Treaties and other international agreements in the 21st century

The Committee considered this matter

Alexander Horne, Former Legal Adviser to the House of Lords European Union Committee and International Agreements Committee in the House of Lords, Counsel at Hackett & Dabbs LLP and visiting professor at Durham University; Jill Barrett, Independent international law consultant, associate member Six Pump Court, Former legal Counsellor at the Foreign & Commonwealth Office and Visiting Reader in the School of Law at Queen Mary University of London; and Arabella Lang, Former Clerk in Parliament and Treaties Hub, House of Commons Library and Head of Research at Public Law Project gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Thursday 24 February 2022 at 9.30 am

Thursday 24 February 2022

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

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:

Coronavirus Act 2020 Two Years On

Correspondence from Ed Humpherson, Director General for Regulation, Office for Statistics Regulation, dated 21 January 2022

PHSO Complaints Handling Service

Correspondence from Rob Behrens, Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman, dated 21 February 2022

3. Coronavirus Act 2020 Two Years On

The Committee considered this matter

The Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 1 March 2022 at 1.30pm

Tuesday 1 March 2022

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

John McDonnell

David Mundell

Lloyd Russell-Moyle

Karin Smyth

John 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:

Review of Intergovernmental Relations

Correspondence from Lord Dunlop, dated 17 February 2022

UK Internal Market

Correspondence from Clare Adamson MSP, Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee, dated 22 February 2022

Office of the Prime Minister

Correspondence from Alex Chisholm, Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office and Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service, dated 22 February 2022

Work of the Cabinet Office

Correspondence from the Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 22 February 2022

The Elections Bill

Correspondence from Matt Stringer, Royal National Institute of Blind People, dated 23 February 2022

Boardman Review of Procurement

Correspondence from Alex Chisholm, Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office and Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service, dated 24 February 2022

3. Work of the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

The Committee considered this matter

The Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, and Minister for Intergovernmental Relations gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 15 March 2022 at 9.30am

Sunday 6 March - Monday 7 March 2022

The Chair, Jackie Doyle-Price, Mr David Jones, Lloyd Russell-Moyle and Karin Smyth visited Cardiff in connection with the Committee's inquiries relating to Devolved legislatures, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 11 January.

Wednesday 9 March 2022

The following papers were reported to the House for publication under the power given to the Chair by Order of the Committee of [13 March 2020] (Order made under the provisions of SO No 137; see Votes and Proceedings [12 September 2020]):

Pre-appointment hearing: Chair of UK Statistics Authority

Correspondence from The Lord True, Minister of State, Cabinet Office, dated 2 March 2022

Tuesday 15 March

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair

Ronnie Cowan

Jackie Doyle-Price

Mr David Jones

John McDonnell

Karin Smyth

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, that the Committee visit Edinburgh on 23 May in relation to multiple inquiries.

2. Coronavirus Act 2020 Two Years On

Draft Report Coronavirus Act 2020 Two Years On, 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 Seventh Report of the Committee, HC 978.

3. Evidence reported for publication

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

Common Framework Scrutiny: Driver Licencing

Department for Transport [DLF 01]

Pre-appointment Hearing: The First Civil Service Commissioner

Correspondence from Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 28 February 2022

New Civil Service diversity and inclusion strategy 2022-25

Correspondence from Alex Chisholm, Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office and Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service, dated 7 March 2022.

4. Propriety of governance in light of Greensill

The Committee considered this matter

Sir Alex Allen, former Independent Advisor on Ministerial Standards and Sir Philip Mawer, former Parliamentary Commissioner for Standards gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 22 March 2022 at 10.30am

Tuesday 22 March

Members present:

Mr William Wragg, in the Chair
Ronnie Cowan
Jackie Doyle-Price
John McDonnell
David Mundell
Lloyd Russell-Moyle
Karin Smyth
John 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:

Pre-appointment Hearing: Chair of UK Statistics Authority

Correspondence from The Lord True, Minister of State, Cabinet Office dated 14 March 2022.

The Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House

Correspondence from Paul Arnold, Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Operating Officer, Information Commissioner's Office dated 15 March 2022.

3. Common Framework Scrutiny Public Procurement

The Committee considered this matter

The Rt Hon Jacob Rees-Mogg MP, Minister for Brexit Opportunities and Government Efficiency, Cabinet Office and Neil O'Brien MP, Minister for Levelling Up, The Union and Constitution, Department for Levelling Up, Housing, and Communities gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 29 March 2022 at 9.30am

Tuesday 29 March

Members present:

Mr David Jones

Tom Randall

Karin Smyth

John Stevenson

1. Chair

Resolved, That, at this day's sitting, Mr David Jones take the Chair of the Committee.
— (Tom Randall.)

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:

Common Framework Scrutiny: Blood Safety and Quality

Correspondence with Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, dated 29 March 2022

Common Framework Scrutiny: Commercial Transport and Operator Licensing

Correspondence with Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP, Secretary of State for Transport, dated 29 March 2022

Common Framework Scrutiny: Driver Licensing

Correspondence with Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP, Secretary of State for Transport, dated 29 March 2022

Common Framework Scrutiny: Motor Insurance

Correspondence with Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP, Secretary of State for Transport, dated 29 March 2022

Common Framework Scrutiny: Nutrition Labelling Composition and Standards

Correspondence with Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, dated 29 March 2022

Common Framework Scrutiny: Organs, Tissues and Cells

Correspondence with Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, dated 29 March 2022

Common Framework Scrutiny: Public Health Protection and Health Security

Correspondence with Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, dated 29 March 2022

Common Framework Scrutiny: Public Procurement

Correspondence with Jacob Rees-Mogg MP, Minister for Brexit Opportunities and Government Efficiency, dated 29 March 2022

Correspondence with Neil O'Brien MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Levelling Up, The Union and Constitution), dated 29 March 2022

Common Framework Scrutiny: Rail Technical Standards

Correspondence with Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP, Secretary of State for Transport, dated 29 March 2022

Appointment of Lord Lebedev to the House of Lords

Correspondence from Angela Rayner MP, Shadow Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Deputy Leader of the Labour Party, dated 19 March 2022

Intergovernmental relations and devolved provisions in UK Bills

Correspondence from Mick Antoniw AS MS, Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution, dated 18 March 2022

UK Central Government Complaint Standards

Correspondence from Rob Behrens, Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman, dated 22 March 2022

Transparency of intergovernmental relations meetings

Correspondence with Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, dated 29 March 2022

Propriety of governance in light of Greensill

Correspondence from Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 18 March 2022

4. The Appointment of Sir Robert Chote as Chair of the UK Statistics Authority

Draft Report The Appointment of Sir Robert Chote as Chair of the UK Statistics Authority, 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 Eighth Report of the Committee, HC 1162.

Sir Robert Chote, the governments preferred candidate for the role of Chair of the UK Statistics Authority gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 20 April 2022 at 9.30am

Wednesday 20 April

Members present:

Mr William Wragg
Ronnie Cowan
Jackie-Doyle Price
David Jones
John McDonnell
Tom Randall
Lloyd Russell-Moyle
John 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:

Pre-appointment hearing: UK Statistics Authority Chair

Correspondence from Lord True, Minister of State, Cabinet Office, dated 29 March 2022

Pre-appointment hearing: UK Statistics Authority Chair

Correspondence with Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, dated 29 March 2022

Common Framework Scrutiny: Public Procurement

Correspondence from Rt Hon Jacob Rees-Mogg MP, Minister for Brexit Opportunities and Government Efficiency, dated 31 March 2022

House of Lords Appointments Commission

Correspondence with Angela Rayner MP, Shadow Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Deputy Leader of the Labour Party, dated 12 April 2022

House of Lords Appointments Commission

Correspondence with Aaron Bell MP, Member of Parliament for Newcastle-Under-Lyme, dated 12 April 2022

Elections Bill

Correspondence with the Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Secretary of State for Levelling Up Housing and Communities, dated 12 April 2022

3. The House of Lords Appointments Commission

The Committee considered this matter

Lord Bew, Chair of the House of Lords Appointments Commission, gave oral evidence

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 26 April 2022 at 9.30am

Tuesday 26 April

Members present:

Mr William Wragg

Ronnie Cowan

David Jones

John McDonnell

Tom Randall

Karin Smyth

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. The Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House

Draft Report The Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House, 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 Ninth Report of the Committee, HC 505.

3. Evidence reported for publication

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

Transparency of intergovernmental relations meetings

Correspondence with the Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Secretary of State for Levelling Up Housing and Communities, dated 20 April 2022

Cabinet Office Supplementary Estimate Memorandum 2021-22 and future spending

Correspondence with Alex Chisholm, Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service and Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office, dated 26 April 2022

The role and status of the Prime Minister's Office

Correspondence with Alex Chisholm, Chief Operating Officer for the Civil Service and Permanent Secretary for the Cabinet Office, dated 26 April 2022

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 17 May 2022 at 9.30am

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

Members of the Committee

Cowan, Ronnie

Nil

Doyle-Price, Jackie

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

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Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000 for the General

Election Donor status: individual (Registered 07 January 2020)

Name of donor: The Red House (Ashstead) Ltd

Address of donor: 18 Brookway, London SE3 9BJ

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,500 for the General Election

Donor status: company, registration 03187173 (Registered 07 January 2020)

Name of donor: Stephen Day

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000 for the General

Election

Donor status: individual

(Registered 07 January 2020)

Name of donor: Stalbury Trustees

Address of donor: 31 Hill Street, London W1J 4LS

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

Election

Donor status: company, registration 1430799

(Registered 07 January 2020)

Name of donor: The United and Cecil Club

Address of donor: Abbatt Group, New Penderel House 283-287, High Holborn,

London WC1V 7HF

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £3,500 for the General

Election

Donor status: unincorporated association

(Registered 07 January 2020)

Name of donor: Lord Philip Harris

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £7,000 for the General

Election

Donor status: individual

(Registered 07 January 2020)

8. Miscellaneous

From 24 January 2020, Deputy Chairman of Tilbury Town Board. This is an unpaid role. (Registered 25 February 2020)

From 31 January 2020, Deputy Chairman of Grays Town Board. This is an unpaid role. (Registered 25 February 2020)

9. Family members employed and paid from parliamentary expenses

I employ my partner, Mark Coxshall, as Office Manager.

Additional declarations made at first Committee Meeting (3 March 2020)

Former Minister of the Department of Health and Social Care,

Partner was a member of Thurrock Borough Council and portfolio holder for regeneration.

Vice-Chairman of Tilbury Town Deal Board and of Grays Town Deal Board.

Hopkins, Rachel

1. Employment and earnings

27 December 2019, received allowances of £980.31 from Luton Borough Council, Town Hall, George St, Luton LU1 2BQ for duties as a Councillor. Hours: 15 hrs since my election to Parliament. (Registered 11 January 2020)

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

Name of donor: Martin Beveridge

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000

Donor status: individual

(Registered 11 January 2020)

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

House in Luton, used also for my partner's business: (i). (Registered 11 January 2020)

8. Miscellaneous

A governor and director (unremunerated) of Luton Sixth Form College.

(Registered 11 January 2020)

Councillor, Luton Borough Council, Town Hall, George St, Luton LU1 2BQ. From January 2020, I receive no allowances. (Registered 11 January 2020)

Jones, Mr David

1. Employment and earnings 2 April 2019, received £400 from Reach plc, via Reach Shared Services, of 3rd Floor, 5 St Paul's Square, Liverpool L3 9SJ, for an article published in the Sunday Express. Hours: 2 hrs.

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

Name of donor: Anthony Ford Address of donor: private Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £5,000 Donor status: individual (Registered 17 December 2019)

4. Visits outside the UK

Name of donor: (1) Ahmad Taba (2) Hadi Saidi Address of donor: (1) private (2) private Estimate of the probable value (or amount of any donation): (1) Flights and accommodation with a value of £340 (2) Flights and accommodation with a value of £340 Destination of visit: Tirana, Albania Dates of visit: 4-7 April 2019 Purpose of visit: Visit to refugee camp, Manza, near Tirana, Albania. (Registered 26 April 2019)

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

Leasehold office premises in Llandudno, Conwy: (i). Tenanted freehold retail premises in Wrexham County Borough (jointly owned). No registrable rent received: (i).

7. (i) Shareholdings: over 15% of issued share capital

David Jones (Solicitors) Ltd

8. Miscellaneous

From 8 July 2017, Director (unremunerated) of the Council for the Advancement of Arab-British Understanding. (Registered 10 October 2017)

Additional declarations made at first Committee Meeting (3 March 2020)

Formerly worked in the wider civil service.

Member of PCS Trade Union.

Member of Unite Trade Union.

McDonnell, John

Nil

Mundell, David

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

Name of donor: Kirklee Property Company (2) Ltd

Address of donor: c/o Campbell Dallas LLP, Titanium1, King's Inch Place,

Renfrew PA4 8WF

Amount of donation, or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,500

Donor status: company, registration SC307960

(Registered 27 March 2019)

Name of donor: Kirklee Property Company (2) Ltd

Address of donor: c/o Campbell Dallas LLP, Titanium1, King's Inch Place,

Renfrew PA4 8WF

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,500

Donor status: company, registration SC307960

(Registered 01 July 2019)

Name of donor: Sir Henry Neville Lindley Keswick

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation, or nature and value if donation in kind: £3,500

Donor status: individual

(Registered 30 October 2019)

Name of donor: James Stewart

Address of donor: private

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

Donor status: individual

(Registered 30 October 2019)

Name of donor: Kirklee Property Company (2) Ltd

Address of donor: Campbell Dallas LLP, Titanium1, King's Inch Place,
Renfrew, PA4 8WF

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,500

Donor status: company, registration SC307960

(Registered 08 January 2020)

Name of donor: David Stevenson

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,500

Donor status: individual

(Registered 08 January 2020)

Name of donor: James Stewart

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £7,500

Donor status: individual

(Registered 08 January 2020)

Name of donor: Mary Coltman

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £3,000

Donor status: individual

(Registered 08 January 2020)

Name of donor: Stewart Grieve

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £4,000

Donor status: individual

(Registered 08 January 2020)

Name of donor: Lord Phillip C Harris

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000

Donor status: individual

(Registered 08 January 2020)

Name of donor: James Stewart

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000

Donor status: individual

(Registered 13 January 2020)

Name of donor: Glenrath Farms Ltd

Address of donor: Whim Poultry Farm, Lamancha, West Linton EH46 8BD

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £9,995

Donor status: company, registration SC042166

(Registered 03 February 2020)

Randall, Tom

1. Employment and earnings

20 December 2019, received £696.45 from the Royal College of Pathologists, 6

Alie Street, London E1 8QT, for work as a Policy and Quality Officer. Hours: none

since my election. (Registered 08 January 2020)

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

Name of donor: Mr Gerald Clarke

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000

Donor status: individual

(Registered 08 January 2020)

Russell-Moyle, Lloyd

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

Name of donor: Transport Salaried Staffs Association (TSSA)

Address of donor: 17 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4SQ

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000 towards local literature costs during the General Election

Donor status: trade union

(Registered 20 January 2020)

Name of donor: Fire Brigades Union (FBU)

Address of donor: Bradley House, 68 Coombe Road, Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey KT2 7AE

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000 towards local literature costs for the General Election

Donor status: trade union

(Registered 20 January 2020)

Name of donor: RMT

Address of donor: Unity House, 39 Chalton Street, London NW1 1DU

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000 towards local literature costs for the General Election

Donor status: trade union

(Registered 20 January 2020)

Name of donor: GMB Union National Office

Address of donor: Mary Turner House, 22 Stephenson Way, London, NW1 2HD

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £3,600 towards local literature costs for the General Election

Donor status: trade union

(Registered 20 January 2020)

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

Name of donor: The Andrew Wainwright Reform Trust

Address of donor: 19 Wadsworth Lane, Hebden Bridge, West Yorks HX7 8DL

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £6,000 to pay towards staffing costs of a backbench parliamentary programme to scrutinise UK arms export control

Date received: 7 May 2019

Date accepted: 13 May 2019

Donor status: company, registration 02608087

(Registered 07 June 2019)

Name of donor: GMB

Address of donor: 22 Stephenson Way, London NW1 2HD

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: Printing of MP newsletters with a value of £2,360

Date received: 17 October 2019

Date accepted: 17 October 2019

Donor status: trade union

(Registered 13 December 2019)

Name of donor: CWU (South East Region Political Committee)

Address of donor: 150 The Broadway, Wimbledon SW19 1RX

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £4,000 towards local literature costs for the General Election

Date received: 4 December 2019

Date accepted: 10 December 2019

Donor status: trade union

(Registered 20 January 2020)

4. Visits outside the UK

Name of donor: Unite the Union

Address of donor: 128 Theobalds Road, Holborn, London WC1X 8TN

Estimate of the probable value (or amount of any donation): travel, accommodation and subsistence with a value of £3,212

Destination of visit: Iraq and the Democratic Federation of Northern Syria (Rojava)

Dates of visit: 15-19 September 2019

Purpose of visit: To assess the current security situation in the Democratic Federation of Northern Syria and to discuss the situation with members of the Kurdistan Regional Government.

(Registered 13 December 2019)

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

I receive income from tenants at my residential address in Sussex: (i) and (ii).

(Registered 07 July 2017; updated 11 January 2019)

7. (i) Shareholdings: over 15% of issued share capital

Arlington Mews Management Company; a company which owns the freehold of a residential block. (Registered 07 July 2017)

8. Miscellaneous

Chairperson (unpaid) of Children and Youth International. (Registered 07 July 2017)

Chairperson (unpaid) of Arlington Mews Management Company. (Registered 07 July 2017)

Trustee (unpaid) of the Crew Club (youth centre). (Registered 07 July 2017)
Additional declarations made at first Committee Meeting (3 March 2020)

Member of GMB Trade Union

Member of Unite Trade Union

Member of Labour Campaign for Electoral Reform

Smyth, Karin

8. Miscellaneous

From October 2016, Ambassador (unremunerated) for Healthcare Denmark, a body established by the Danish Government in partnership with public and private providers. (Registered 21 October 2016)

Stevenson, John

1. Employment and earnings

Solicitor, partner in Bendles, of 22 Portland Square, Carlisle CA1 1PE. From 1 April 2019 until further notice, I receive £2,600 a month for work of between 10 and 45 hours. (Updated 09 December 2015, 27 December 2017 and 02 April 2019)

3 June 2019, received £2,000 as profit share. Hours: no additional hours.

(Registered 04 June 2019)

23 December 2019, received £2,500 as profit share. Hours: no additional

hours. (Registered 31 December 2019)

24 February 2020, received £2,500 as profit share. Hours: no additional hours.

(Registered 24 February 2020)

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

Name of donor: United and Cecil Club

Address of donor: 18 Thorney Lane, North Iver S09 9JY

Amount of donation, or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,500

Donor status: members' association (unincorporated)

(Registered 31 December 2019)

Name of donor: Harris Ventures Ltd

Address of donor: Philip Harris House, 1A Spur Road, Orpington BR6 0PH

Amount of donation, or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000

Donor status: company, registration 02278367

(Registered 31 December 2019)

Name of donor: Barbara Eden

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation, or nature and value if donation in kind: £1,000

Donor status: individual

(Registered 31 December 2019)

Name of donor: Barbara Eden

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation, or nature and value if donation in kind: £1,000

Donor status: individual

(Registered 31 December 2019)

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

Name of donor: Center Parks Ltd

Address of donor: One Edison Rise, New Ollerton, Newark NG22 9DP

Amount of donation, or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,000 towards my Skills Fair

Date received: 19 February 2020

Data accepted: 19 February 2020

Donor status: company, registration 01908230

(Registered 26 February 2020)

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

Shared interest in one commercial property in Carlisle and a holiday let in

Ambleside: (i) and (ii).

8. Miscellaneous

From 27 January 2020, member of the Carlisle Towns Fund Board. This is an unpaid role. (Registered 28 January 2020)

9. Family members employed and paid from parliamentary expenses

I employ my partner, Tracy Nixon, as part-time Senior Secretary.

Wragg, William

1. Employment and earnings

Payments from ComRes, 4 Millbank, London SW1P 3JA, for completing opinion surveys:

16 May 2019, received £150. Hours: 1 hr. (Registered 20 May 2019)

29 March 2019, received £75. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 17 December 2019)

29 July 2019, received £75. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 17 December 2019)

24 October 2019, received £75. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 17 December 2019)

25 October 2019, received £75. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 17 December 2019)

15 November 2019, received £75. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 17 December 2019)

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

16 July 2019, received £200. Hours: 1 hr. (Registered 22 July 2019)

17 February 2020, received £200. Hours: 1 hr. (Registered 24 February 2020)

Payments from YouGov, 50 Featherstone Street, London EC1Y 8RT, for completing opinion surveys:

15 January 2019, received £70. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 05 July 2019)

7 February 2019, received £30. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 05 July 2019)

6 March 2019, received £80. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 05 July 2019)

13 May 2019, received £60. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 05 July 2019)

24 June 2019, received £80. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 05 July 2019)

22 July 2019, received £50. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 05 August 2019)

13 August 2019, received £40. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 20 August 2019)

23 October 2019, received £60. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 28 October 2019)

9 December 2019, received £60. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 07 January

2020)

09 December 2019, received £100. Hours: 1 hr. (Registered 07 January 2020)

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

Name of donor: John Wilkson

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £3,500 towards 2019

Re-Election Campaign Fund

Donor status: individual

(Registered 17 December 2019)

Name of donor: United and Cecil Club

Address of donor: 18 Thorney Lane North, Iver SL0 9JY

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £2,500 towards 2019

Re-Election Campaign Fund

Donor status: unincorporated association

(Registered 17 December 2019)

Name of donor: John Wilkson

Address of donor: private

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £1,000 towards 2019

Re-Election Campaign Fund

Donor status: individual

(Registered 10 January 2020)

Name of donor: United and Cecil Club

Address of donor: 18 Thorney Lane North, Iver SL0 9JY

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £1,000 towards 2019

Re-Election Campaign Fund

Donor status: unincorporated association

(Registered 10 January 2020)

Name of donor: Dukehill Services Limited

Address of donor: 4 Birchley Estate, Birchfield Lane, Oldbury B69 1DT

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £3,000 towards 2019

Re-Election Campaign Fund, received via the Midlands Industrial Council

Donor status: company, registration 06317947

(Registered 10 January 2020)

8. Miscellaneous

From 12 November 2018, Trustee of the Grassroots Foundation, a charitable foundation which seeks to improve the quality of, and access to, education.

(Registered 07 January 2019)

Additional declarations made at first Committee Meeting (3 March 2020)

Member of the National Education Union.