



Formal Minutes of the Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Committee¹ in Session 2021–22

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

They include:

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

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

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

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

¹ The Committee was named the Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee until 24 November 2021.

Thursday 13 May 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present²

Clive Betts, in the Chair ³

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Florence Eshalomi

Rachel Hopkins

Ian Levy

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Annual Report and Accounts 2019-20

Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary, dated 4 May 2021.

Permitted Development Rights

Michael Fearn [PDR 002]

NALC [PDR 006]

British Property Federation [PDR 007]

Levitt Bernstein [PDR 008]

Dolphin Living [PDR 011]

Abri [PDR 012]

District Councils Network [PDR 017]

LB Hillingdon [PDR 020]

London Councils [PDR 021]

² The list of members present at each meeting of the Committee indicates those committee members who were present for all or part of the meeting.

³ Elected by the House (Standing Order No. 122B); see Votes and Proceedings [27 January 2020].

Reading Borough Council [PDR 022]
LGA [PDR 023]
TCPA [PDR 024]
City of York Council [PDR 025]
Burgess Hill Town Council [PDR 026]
CLA [PDR 027]
Moseley Society [PDR 029]
Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council [PDR 030]
East Riding of Yorkshire Council [PDR 031]
Norwich City Council [PDR 032]
CIH [PDR 033]
Northumberland Council [PDR 034]
Brighton & Hove Council [PDR 035]
Norwich BID [PDR 036]
Royal Town Planning Institute [PDR 037]
ANUK Unipol National Codes of Standards [PDR 038]
Association of Town & City Management [PDR 039]
Law Society [PDR 041]
City of Durham Trust [PDR 042]
Institute of Place Management [PDR 043]
London First [PDR 044]
Institute of Historic Building Conservation [PDR 045]
Clifford, Canelas, Fern & Livingstone [PDR 046]
UK Dark Skies Partnership [PDR 047]
London YIMBY and Priced Out [PDR 048]
Ashford KALC [PDR 050]
LB Bromley [PDR 051]
Tunbridge Wells Council [PDR 054]
LB Islington [PDR 055]
Bath Preservation Trust [PDR 056]
Historic England [PDR 057]
Stevenage Borough Council [PDR 058]
Guildford Society [PDR 059]
South East Strategic Leaders [PDR 060]
Copers Cope and West Beckenham Ras [PDR 061]
Crawley Borough Council [PDR 062]
British BIDs [PDR 063]
Nationwide Foundation [PDR 064]

Centre for Ageing Better [PDR 065]
National Trust [PDR 067]
Policy Exchange [PDR 068]
Highgate Society [PDR 069]
Wildlife and Countryside Link [PDR 070]
London Property Alliance [PDR 071]
Chartered Planners in Academic Practice Group [PDR 072]
Adam Smith Institute [PDR 074]
Chartered Institute of Building [PDR 075]
Sevenoaks District Council [PDR 076]
Heritage Alliance [PDR 077]
Shelter [PDR 078]
LSE [PDR 079]
Planning Officers Society [PDR 080]
London Forum of Amenity and Civic Society [PDR 082]
Association of Convenience Stores [PDR 083]
Tesco [PDR 084]
Kensington Society [PDR 085]
CifA and CBA [PDR 086]
British Retail Consortium [PDR 087]
LABC [PDR 090]
National Parks England [PDR 091]
Roger Kirkham [PDR 092]
LB Hackney [PDR 093]
East Devon District Council [PDR 094]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Supporting our high streets after covid-19

The Chair declared an interest in that he was as a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Ian Levy declared an interest in that he was a member of the Towns Board for Blyth and employed a local councillor in his office.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office. She noted she was no longer a councillor (as of 7 May).

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she was a member of the Cheadle Towns Fund Board and employed a councillor in her staff team.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool and employed a councillor in his office.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and a board member of Northampton Forward, in addition to his entry in the register of Members' interests.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association. She noted she was no longer a London Assembly member (as of 7 May).

Darren Pearce, Centre Director, Meadowhall Shopping Centre, Yorkshire; Nigel Connor, Company Secretary, J D Wetherspoon; Sir John Timpson CBE, Chairman, Timpson Group; and Lee Franklin, Retail Director, EE and BT, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 17 May at 3.30 pm

Monday 17 May 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Ian Levy

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson
Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Transition from emergency measures for renters

Correspondence from the Minister for Housing, dated 13 May 2021.

EWS1 Forms

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 18 May 2021.

MHCLG Main Estimate

MHCLG Main Estimate 2021-2022 memorandum.

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Permitted Development Rights

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Ian Levy declared an interest in that he was a member of the Blyth Town Board, a member of the chamber of trade and he employed councillors in his office.

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared an interest in that he employed councillors in his office.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Ben Everitt noted he was no longer a councillor.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool and employed a councillor in his office.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her staff team.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association, in addition to his entry in the register of Members' interests.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office, in addition to his entry in the register of Members' interests.

Cllr Rachel Blake, Member of Environment, Economy, Housing and Transport Board, Local Government Association; Mark Worringham, Planning Policy Team Leader, Reading Council; and John Bibby, Policy Manager, Shelter, gave oral evidence.

Mark Tufnell, Deputy President, Country Land and Businesses Association; Ian Fletcher, Director of Policy, British Property Federation; and James Wickham, representative, London Property Alliance, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Thursday 27 May at 3.30 pm

Thursday 27 May 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Mary Robinson

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Rating (Coronavirus) and Directors Disqualification (Dissolved Companies) Bill

Correspondence from the Minister for Regional Growth and Local Government and the Minister for Small Business, Consumers and Labour Markets, dated 18 May 2021.

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. The future of the planning system in England

Draft Report (The future of the planning system in England) proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to. The Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the First Report of the Committee, HC 38.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 7 June at 3.30 pm

Monday 7 June 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Ben Everitt

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Supporting our high streets after covid-19

Pret A Manger [SHS 047]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Permitted Development Rights

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association, in addition to his entry in the register of Members' interests.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a a councillor in her staff team.

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared an interest in that he employed councillors in his office.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Ojay McDonald, CEO, Association of Town and City Managers; John Myers, representative, YIMBY Alliance and PricedOut; and Matthew Davis, Head of Membership, Institute of Place Management, gave oral evidence.

Dr Ben Clifford, Associate Professor in Spatial Planning and Government, Bartlett School of Planning, University College London; Ben Southwood, Head of Housing, Transport and Urban Space, Policy Exchange; and Sarah Bevan, Programme Director, Planning and Development, London First, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Thursday 10 June at 3.00 pm

Thursday 10 June 2021

Virtual meeting

Members Present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Florence Eshalomi

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Mohammad Yasin

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Supporting our high streets after covid-19

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her staff team.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Professor Carlos Moreno, Scientific Director of the Chair Entrepreneurship, Territory, Innovation, Panthéon Sorbonne University, Paris; Professor Chan Heng Chee, Chair, Lee Kuan Yew Centre for Innovative Cities, Singapore University of Technology and Design; and Professor Ricky Burdett, Professor of Urban Studies, Director of LSE Cities and Urban Age, London School of Economics, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 16 June at 3.00 pm

Wednesday 16 June 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Ian Levy

Mary Robinson

Mohammed Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

EWS1 forms

Correspondence from the Minister of State for Building Safety, Fire and Communities, dated 9 June 2021.

Supporting our high streets after covid-19

John Lewis Partnership [SHS 048]

Permitted development rights

Sandra Lochhead [PDR 001]

National HMO Lobby [PDR 009]

Mr Roger Wyer [PDR 016]

Trees and Design Action Group [PDR 018]

Heathdene Area Residents Group [PDR 019]

Nottingham Action Group on HMOs [PDR 028]

Colin Quinney [PDR 040]

Mrs E Gates [PDR 049]

Anonymous [PDR 052]

Julian Chaffey [PDR 081]

Hertfordshire Infrastructure and Planning Partnership [PDR 088]

Mayor of London [PDR 095]
Land Promoters and Developers Federation [PDR 096]

Local government and the path to net zero

NALC [PNZ 001]
Royal Town Planning Institute [PNZ 002]
Anglian Water [PNZ 003]
EnergyREV [PNZ 004]
LGA [PNZ 005]
National Federation of ALMOs [PNZ 006]
Northern Housing Consortium [PNZ 007]
APSE [PNZ 008]
Rockwool Ltd [PNZ 009]
Sustainable Housing Action Partnership [PNZ 010]
Cheltenham Civic Society [PNZ 011]
UK Green Building Council [PNZ 012]
Electrical Safety First [PNZ 013]
NHBC [PNZ 014]
Karbon Homes [PNZ 015]
District Councils Network [PNZ 016]
Energy Networks Association [PNZ 017]
Essex County Council [PNZ 018]
InSinkErator [PNZ 019]
Association for Decentralised Energy [PNZ 020]
Sustrans [PNZ 021]
Hallam Land Management [PNZ 022]
Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council [PNZ 023]
Cadent [PNZ 024]
British Glass [PNZ 025]
Thakeham Group [PNZ 026]
Manchester City Council [PNZ 027]
National Express [PNZ 028]
Stonewater [PNZ 030]
London Councils [PNZ 031]
Policy Connect [PNZ 032]
Enterprise Holdings [PNZ 033]
RIBA [PNZ 034]
Energy UK [PNZ 035]

E On [PNZ 036]
Brighton and Hove Council [PNZ 037]
Heat Pump Association [PNZ 038]
Anonymous [PNZ 039]
Liquid Gas UK [PNZ 040]
National Fire Chiefs Council [PNZ 041]
IET [PNZ 042]
Oxfordshire & Cherwell Councils [PNZ 043]
SGN [PNZ 044]
Make Modular [PNZ 045]
City of London Corp [PNZ 046]
UK100 [PNZ 047]
MHCLG & BEIS [PNZ 048]
E3G [PNZ 049]
Energy Systems Catapult [PNZ 050]
Kensa Group [PNZ 051]
Arvanitopoulos & Wilson [PNZ 052]
Independent Networks Association [PNZ 053]
ADEPT [PNZ 054]
BRE [PNZ 055]
BUUK [PNZ 056]
Geotab [PNZ 057]
Blueprint Coalition [PNZ 058]
Green Alliance [PNZ 059]
Zurich Insurance [PNZ 060]
Energy Saving Trust [PNZ 061]
ENGIE UK [PNZ 062]
Vaillant [PNZ 063]

2. Appointment of Specialist Adviser

Ordered, That Aileen Murphie be appointed as Specialist Adviser to assist the Committee (*For details of declarations of interests see appendix*).

3. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That a member of the Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee be invited to attend the meeting on 28 June 2020 relating to supporting our high

streets after covid-19, pursuant to Standing Order No 137A(1)(e) (Select committees: power to work with other committees).

4. Permitted Development Rights

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Ian Levy declared an interest in that he was a member of the Blyth Town Board, a member of the chamber of trade, and employed two councillors in his office.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her staff team and that she was a member of the Cheadle Towns Fund Board.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Rt Hon Christopher Pincher MP, Minister of State (Minister for Housing); and Simon Gallagher, Director of Planning, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 21 June 2021 at 3.30 pm

Monday 21 June 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith
Florence Eshalomi
Ben Everitt
Rachel Hopkins
Ian Levy
Andrew Lewer
Mary Robinson
Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Local voting and candidacy rights for EU citizens living in England and Northern Ireland

Correspondence from the Minister of State for the Constitution and Devolution, dated 17 June 2021.

Supporting our high streets after covid-19

Costa Coffee [SHS 049]

Permitted Development Rights

Anonymous [PDR 041]

Institute of Historic Building Conservation [PDR 045]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Local government and the path to net-zero

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Ian Levy declared an interest in that he was a member of the Blyth Town Board, a member of the chamber of trade, and employed two councillors in his staff team.

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared an interest in that he employed a councillor in his office.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a a councillor in her staff team.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and a board member of Northampton Forward, in addition to his entry in the register of interests.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Rachel Blake, Member of the Environment, Economy, Housing and Transport Board and Deputy Mayor for Regeneration and Air Quality for Tower Hamlets, Local Government Association; Polly Cook, Housing Spokesperson for the Association of Directors of Environment, Economy, Planning and Transport (ADEPT) and Chief Officer Sustainable Energy and Air Quality at Leeds City Council; and Polly Billington, Founder, UK100, gave oral evidence.

Andrew Forth, Interim Director Policy and Public Affairs, Royal Institute of British Architects; Colm Britchfield, Researcher, E3G; and Phillipa Borrowman, Policy Advisor, Green Alliance, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 23 June 2021 at 3.00 pm

Wednesday 23 June 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne
Brendan Clarke-Smith
Florence Eshalomi
Ben Everitt
Andrew Lewer
Mary Robinson
Mohammad Yasin

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Local authority financial sustainability and the section 114 regime

The Committee considered this matter.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 28 June 2021 at 3.30 pm

Monday 28 June 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair
Bob Blackman
Ian Byrne
Brendan Clarke-Smith
Florence Eshalomi
Ian Levy
Andrew Lewer
Mary Robinson

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

The lifting of restrictions on evictions in England and covid-19 related rent arrears

Correspondence from the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, dated 21 June 2021.

Permitted Development Rights

Anonymous [PDR 003]

Highfield Residents Association [PDR 013]

Tim Frost [PDR 097]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. MHCLG spending on building safety

The Committee considered this matter.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 5 July 2021 at 3.30 pm

Monday 5 July 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Ian Levy

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Permitted Development Rights

Correspondence from the Minister for Housing, dated 30 June 2021.

Anonymous [PDR 010]

Stephen Slay [PDR 073]

Supporting our high streets after covid-19

Dixons Carphone [SHS 050]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Permitted Development Rights

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Supporting our high streets after covid-19

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she was a member of the Cheadle Towns Fund Board and employed a councillor in her staff team.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and a board member of Northampton Forward, in addition to his entry in the register of interests.

Luke Hall MP, Minister for Regional Growth and Local Government, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government; Paul Scully MP, Minister for Small Businesses, Consumers and Labour Markets, Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy; and Kate O'Neill, Director of Policy, Cities and Local Growth Unit, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 12 July 2021 at 3.30 pm

Monday 12 July 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Ian Levy

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Estimates day debate on MHCLG spending on building safety

Correspondence to the Minister for Building Safety, Fire and Communities, dated 12 July 2021.

Building Safety Bill

Correspondence from the Minister for Building Safety, Fire and Communities, dated 5 July 2021.

2. Future programme

The Committer considered this matter.

3. Local government and the path to net zero

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Ian Levy declared an interest in that he was a member of the Blyth Town Board, a member of the chamber of trade, and employed two councillors in his staff team.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool and employed a councillor in his office.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her staff team.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and a board member of Northampton Forward, in addition to his entry in the register of Members' interests.

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared an interest in that he employed councillors in his office.

Richard Smith, Head of Standards, Innovation and Risk, National House Building Council (NHBC); Catherine Evans, Director of Assets Operations, Stonewater; and Brian Robson, Executive Director of Policy and Public Affairs, Northern Housing Consortium, gave oral evidence.

John Alker, Director of Policy and Places, UK Green Building Council; Michael Lewis, CEO, E.ON; and Nicola Pitts, Chief Executive, Independent Networks Association, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 14 July at 10.00 am

Wednesday 14 July 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the chair
Bob Blackman
Ian Byrne
Brendan Clarke-Smith
Florence Eshalomi
Ben Everitt
Andrew Lewer
Mary Robinson

1. Local authority financial sustainability and the section 114 regime

Draft Report (Local authority financial sustainability and the section 114 regime) proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to. The Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Second Report of the Committee, HC 33.

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 19 July at 3.30 pm

Monday 19 July 2021

Virtual meeting

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair
Bob Blackman
Ian Byrne
Brendan Clarke-Smith
Florence Eshalomi
Rachel Hopkins
Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson
Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Supporting our high streets after covid-19

Correspondence from the Minister for Regional Growth and Local Government and the Minister for Small Business, Consumers and Labour Markets, dated 14 July.

Pre-legislative scrutiny of the draft Building Safety Bill (Government response)

Correspondence to the Minister for Building Safety, Fire and Communities, dated 18 July and reply 19 July.

Changing Futures Programme

Correspondence from the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, dated 17 July.

Long-term funding of adult social care

Bob Ferguson [ASC 001]
Fairmont Residential Ltd [ASC 002]
McCarthy Stone [ASC 003]
CIPFA [ASC 005]
Inclusion London [ASC 006]
Anchor Hanover [ASC 008]
ALTER [ASC 009]
Care and Support Alliance [ASC 011]
Rev Jess Stubenbord [ASC 012]
LGA [ASC 013]
Disabled People Against Cuts [ASC 015]
ARCO [ASC 016]
Care England [ASC 018]
Adam Smith Institute [ASC 019]
Norfolk Care Association [ASC 020]
East Sussex County Council [ASC 021]

Society of County Treasurers [ASC 022]
UK Homecare Association [ASC 023]
Independent Age [ASC 024]
United For All Ages [ASC 025]
Reclaiming Our Future Alliance [ASC 026]
MS Society [ASC 027]
David Button [ASC 028]
Surrey County Council [ASC 029]
Verity Gibson [ASC 030]
Home Instead [ASC 031]
The King's Fund [ASC 033]
National Housing Federation [ASC 034]
Profs Bennett, Glasby and Yeandle [ASC 035]
Health For Care [ASC 036]
Campaign to Save Mental Health Services in Norfolk and Sussex [ASC 038]
James Porter [ASC 039]
APPG on Adult Social Care [ASC 040]
Association of British Insurers [ASC 041]
Department of Health and Social Care [ASC 043]
Ealing Reclaim Social Care Action Group [ASC 044]
Leicestershire County Council [ASC 045]
UNISON [ASC 046]
Papworth Trust [ASC 047]
Disabilities Trust [ASC 048]
County Councils Network [ASC 049]
Metropolitan Thames Valley Housing [ASC 051]
Dimensions [ASC 052]
Thirteen Group [ASC 053]
British Medical Association [ASC 054]
Age UK [ASC 055]
Voluntary Organisations Disability Group [ASC 056]
Chartered Institute of Housing [ASC 057]
Care Association Alliance [ASC 058]
Cllr Adele Williams [ASC 059]
Skills for Care [ASC 060]
Mencap [ASC 061]
Later Life Ambitions [ASC 062]
Health Foundation [ASC 063]

Nottinghamshire County Council [ASC 064]
Alzheimer's Society [ASC 065]
Tower Hamlets Council [ASC 066]
National Care Forum [ASC 067]
Nuffield Trust [ASC 068]
ADASS [ASC 070]
Bupa Care Services [ASC 071]
CICTAR [ASC 072]
London Councils [ASC 073]
Guinness Partnership [ASC 074]

2. Pre-appointment scrutiny: Regulator of Social Housing, Board Chair

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Permitted Development Rights

Draft Report (Permitted Development Rights) proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to. The Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Third Report of the Committee, HC 32.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 6 September at 3.30pm

Monday 06 September 2021

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair
Bob Blackman
Brendan Clarke-Smith
Ben Everitt

Andrew Lewer
Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Affordable Homes Programme

Correspondence from the Minister for Housing, dated 1 September 2021.

Estimates Day debate on building safety

Correspondence from the Minister for Building Safety, Fire and Communities, dated 31 August 2021.

Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the draft Building Safety Bill (Government response)

Correspondence from the Minister for Building Safety, Fire and Communities, dated 31 August 2021.

Parking Code of Practice Enforcement Framework

Correspondence from the Minister for Regional Growth and Local Government, dated 27 July 2021.

2. The future of the planning system in England

Resolved, That the Committee issue a corrigendum to its Report (The future of the planning system in England, HC 38) as follows:

CORRIGENDUM

On Table 1, pp.49-50, the following rows should be changed from:

Region and Urban Area	Dwellings per year (2017-2020)	Standard Method with urban uplift (dwelling per year)	Difference in dwellings	% Difference

North East of England	9,816	6,625	-3,191	-32.51%
Leicester	1,490	1,341	-149	-10.00%
City of Bristol	1,535	1,247	-288	-18.76%

To:

Region and Urban Area	Dwellings per year (2017-2020)	Standard Method with urban uplift (dwelling per year)	Difference in dwellings	% Difference
North East of England	9,815	6,625	-3,190	-32.50%
Leicester	1,490	2,341	851	+57.11%
City of Bristol	1,535	3,196	1,661	+108.21%

3. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee take evidence on the Parking Code of Practice Enforcement Framework.

Resolved, That the Committee take evidence on building safety.

Resolved, That the Committee take evidence on the MHCLG Annual Reports and Accounts 2020-21.

Resolved, That the Committee take evidence from Homes England.

Resolved, That the Committee take evidence from the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 13 September 2021 at 3.30 pm

Monday 13 September 2021

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Local government and the path to net zero

Christopher Hamer [PNZ 064]

PlaceShapers [PNZ 065]

Northern Housing Consortium [PNZ 066]

Jigsaw Infrared [PNZ 067]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Local government and the path to net zero

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her staff team.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared an interest in that he employed councillors in his office.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association, in addition to his entry in the register of interests.

Xavier Brice, CEO, Sustrans; Professor Jannette Webb, University of Edinburgh, EnergyREV; and Richard Blyth, Head of Policy Practice and Research, Royal Town Planning Institute, gave oral evidence.

Cllr Sarah Rouse, Enhancing Quality of Life Board Member, District Councils' Network; Cllr Peter Schwier, Climate Czar, Essex County Council; and Nick Hibberd, Executive Director, Economy, Environment and Culture, Brighton and Hove Council, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 15 September at 9.45 am.

Wednesday 15 September 2021

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Florence Eshalomi

Rachel Hopkins

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Mohammad Yasin

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Local government and the path to zero

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and board member of Northampton Forward, in addition to his entry in the register of interests.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a a councillor in her staff team.

Lord Deben, Chair, Climate Change Committee, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 20 September 2021 at 3.45 pm

Monday 20 September 2021

Members present

Clive Betts, in the chair

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins
Andrew Lewer
Mary Robinson

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Appointment and departmental priorities

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 20 September 2020.

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee take evidence from the Secretary of State on the work of the Department.

3. Local government and the path to net zero

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared an interest in that he employed councillors in his office.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her staff team.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association, in addition to his entry in the register of Member's interests.

Eddie Hughes MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government; Lord Callanan, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy; Emma Fraser,

Director, Housing Markets & Strategy, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government; Siobhan Jones, Director, Local Government and Communities, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government; and Ffiona Hesketh, Deputy Director for Home Decarbonisation Policy and Strategy, Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 22 September 2021 at 10.00 am

Wednesday 22 September 2021

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

The Spending Review and adult social care funding

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 22 September 2021.

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Progress on devolution in England

Draft report (Progress on devolution in England) proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to. The Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Forth Report of the Committee, HC 36.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 20 October at 10.00 am

Wednesday 20 October 2021

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair
Bob Blackman
Brendan Clarke-Smith
Florence Eshalomi
Rachel Hopkins
Andrew Lewer
Matt Vickers
Mohammad Yasin

1. Declaration of interests

Matt Vickers 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:

Appointment and departmental priorities

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 29 September.

Local government and the path to net zero

MCS Charitable Foundation [PNZ 069]

Maids Moreton and Foscoate Action Group [PNZ 070]

Supporting our high streets after covid-19

Mastercard [SHS 051]

3. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

4. Local government and the path to net zero

The Committee considered this matter.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 25 October 2021 at 3.45 pm

Monday 25 October 2021

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Matt Vickers

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Long-term funding of adult social care

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared an interest in that he employed councillors in his office.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association, in addition to his entry in the register of interests.

Matt Vickers declared an interest in that he had links to local councils.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association, employed a councillor in his office, and his sister worked in the social care sector.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a a councillor in her staff team.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Stephen Chandler, President, Association of Directors of Adult Social Services; and Councillor Tim Oliver, Deputy Chief Executive, Local Government Association, gave oral evidence.

Jane Ashcroft CBE, Chief Executive, Anchor; Steve Scown, Group Chief Executive, Dimensions UK; and Dr Jane Townson, Chief Executive, Homecare Association, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 26 October 2021 at 12.30 pm

Tuesday 26 October 2021

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Mohammad Yasin

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Local government and the path to net zero

Draft Report (Local government and the path to net zero) proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to. The Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Fifth Report of the Committee, HC 34.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 8 November 2021 at 3.30 pm

Monday 08 November 2021

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Matt Vickers

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Private rented sector reform

Correspondence from the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, dated 26 October 2021.

The Spending Review and adult social care funding

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 8 October 2021.

Local government core spending power correction

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 8 November 2021.

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the committee inquire into the regulation of social housing.

3. Work of the department (2021)

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

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 15 November 2021 at 3.30 pm

Monday 15 November 2021

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Matt Vickers

Mohammad Yasin

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That a member of the Transport Committee be invited to attend the meeting on 17 November 2021 relating to the Parking Code of Practice Enforcement Framework, pursuant to Standing Order No 137A(1)(e) (Select committees: power to work with other committees).

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into council tax collection.

2. Supporting our high streets after Covid-19

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Work of Homes England

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool, and employed a councillor in his office.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Matt Vickers declared an interest in that he had a family member who was a councillor, he employed councillors in his office, and he had family members who had a construction business and worked in the industry.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association, in addition to his entry in the register of interests.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a a councillor in her staff team.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Peter Freeman, Chair, Homes England; and Peter Denton, CEO, Homes England, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 17 November 2021 at 9.45 am

Wednesday 17 November 2021

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Matt Vickers

Mohammad Yasin

Karl McCartney also attended under the provisions of paragraph (1)(e) of Standing Order No 137A (Select committees: power to work with other committees) (Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee's resolution of 15 November).

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Parking Code of Practice Enforcement Framework

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Matt Vickers declared an interest in that he had family members who were councillors, and he employed councillors in his office.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her staff team.

Karl McCartney declared an interest in that he was a member of the Lincoln Town Deal Board, and employed a councillor.

Philip Boynes, CEO, Parkingeye; Andrew Pester, Chief Executive, British Parking Association; Will Hurley, Chief Executive, International Parking Community; and Stewart Clure, Managing Director, Dept Recovery Plus, gave oral evidence.

Steve Gooding, Director, RAC Foundation; and Jack Cousens, Head of Roads Policy, The AA, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 22 November at 3.30 pm

Monday 22 November 2021

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Motion to change the Committee's name

Correspondence from the Leader of the House, dated 18 November 2021.

Leasehold reform (Ground Rent) Bill

Correspondence with the Local Government Association, dated 3 and 16 November 2021.

Correspondence to the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, dated 22 November 2021.

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Building safety update

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool, and employed a councillor in his office.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association, employed a councillor in his office and was the vice-chairman of the APPG on fire safety.

Dame Judith Hackitt, Chair, Independent Review of Building Regulations and Fire Safety; and Sir Ken Knight, Chair, Building Safety Independent Expert Advisory Panel, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 29 November at 3.30 pm

Monday 29 November 2021

Members present:

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Mary Robinson

Matt Vickers

Mohammad Yasin

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Long-term funding of adult social care

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool, and employed a councillor in his office.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association, employed a councillor in his office and his sister worked in the care sector.

Matt Vickers declared an interest in that he was a former councillor, had family members who were councillors, and employed councillors in his office.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her staff team.

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared an interest in that he employed councillors in his office.

Brian Dow, Deputy CEO, ReThink Mental Illness; Emily Holzhausen, Director of Policy and Public Affairs, Carers UK; and Jackie O'Sullivan, Director of Communication, Advocacy and Activism, Mencap, and co-chair, Care and Support Alliance, gave oral evidence.

Fazilet Hadi, Head of Policy, Disability Rights UK; Ruthe Isden, Head of Health and Care, Age UK; and James White, Head of Public Affairs and Campaigns, Alzheimer's Society, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 1 December at 10 am

Wednesday 1 December 2021

Members present:

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Ian Byrne

Rachel Hopkins

Andrew Lewer

Matt Vickers

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Parking Code of Practice Enforcement Framework

Letter to the Minister for Levelling Up, The Union and Constitution, dated 2 December 2021

2. Future programme

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into exempt accommodation.

3. Supporting our high streets after covid-19

Draft Report (Supporting our high streets after covid-19), proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

The draft Report was agreed to. The Formal Minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Sixth Report of the Committee, HC 37

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 13 December 2021 3.30 pm

Monday 13 December 2021

Members present:

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair
Bob Blackman
Ian Byrne
Brendan Clarke-Smith
Florence Eshalomi
Ben Everitt
Rachel Hopkins
Andrew Lewer
Mary Robinson
Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Building safety

Correspondence to the Minister for Building Safety and Fire, dated 13 December 2021.

Levelling Up white paper

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 14 December 2021.

Work of the department 2021

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 9 December, and annexes.

Legal advice to leaseholders

Correspondence with the Minister for Building Safety and Fire, dated 11 November and 2 December

EWS1 forms

Correspondence from the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors, UK Finance and the Building Societies Association, dated 6 December.

Long-term funding of adult social care

Mrs Gemma Shelton [ASC 014]

LGSCO [ASC 032]

Essex County Council [ASC 042]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Long-term funding of adult social care

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association, employed a councillor in his office and his sister worked in the care sector.

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared an interest in that he employed councillors in his office.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her staff team.

Sally Warren, Director of Policy, King's Fund; Natasha Curry, Deputy Director of Policy, Nuffield Trust; and Charles Tallack, Assistant Director for the REAL Centre, The Health Foundation, gave oral evidence.

Chris Smith, Executive Director of Business Growth, Thirteen Group; Paul Teverson, Director of Communications, McCarthy Stone; and Sue Ramsden, Policy Leader, National Housing Federation, gave oral evidence.

Professor Philip Booth, Senior Academic Fellow, Institute of Economic Affairs; and Dr Elanor Roy, Policy Manager Health and Social Care, Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA), gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 10 January 2021 at 3.30 pm

Monday 10 January 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Rydon Maintenance Ltd

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 16 December.

Levelling Up White Paper

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 22 December.

Pre-appointment hearing for the New Homes Ombudsman

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 10 January.

Regulations to support planning freedoms

Correspondence from the Minister for Housing, dated 20 December.

Future Buildings Standard consultation

Correspondence from the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, dated 16 December.

Protect and Vaccinate and support for people with no recourse to public funds

Correspondence from the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, with attached letter to all Local Authority Chief Executives, dated 20 December.

Housing Ombudsman Annual report and Accounts

Correspondence from the Housing Ombudsman, dated 13 December.

Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman Triennial Review

Correspondence from the Housing Ombudsman, dated 14 December.

Long-term funding of adult social care

Local Government Association [ASC 076]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman Triennial Review

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool, and employed a councillor in his office.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared an interest in that he employed councillors in his office.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her staff team, and that she was the Chair of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Whistleblowing.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and a member of the Northampton Forward Board.

Michael King, Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 17 January at 3.30pm.

Monday 17 January 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman
Ian Byrne
Florence Eshalomi
Ben Everitt
Rachel Hopkins
Andrew Lewer
Mary Robinson
Matt Vickers
Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

UK Shared Prosperity Fund and cladding data

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 17 January

Long-term funding of adult social care

Correspondence from CIPFA, dated 16 December

Correspondence from McCarthy Stone, dated 16 December

Leasehold and commonhold reform

Correspondence from the Minister for Building Safety and Fire, dated 11 January

Tax treatment of improvements to heating systems

Correspondence with the Minister for Housing, dated 11 November and 7 January

Planning propriety guidance

Correspondence from the Minister for Housing, dated 22 December

Funding for fire alarms

Correspondence between the permanent Secretary and the Secretary of State, dated 10 January.

The Regulation of Social Housing

John George [RSH 005]
Alison Bancroft [RSH 006]
4 Estates Forum [RSH 011]
Harlow Defend Council Housing [RSH 012]
Lynn Cluer [RSH 013]
Robert Wilson [RSH 014]
Professor Sarah Rodgers [RSH 015]
Midland Heart [RSH 017]
Caseworker of Justin Madders MP [RSH 018]
Liverpool City Region Housing Associations [RSH 019]
Electrical Safety First [RSH 020]
Almshouse Association [RSH 021]
Livin Housing [RSH 022]
Housing Ombudsman [RSH 023]
Danielle Gregory [RSH 024]
Great Places Housing Group [RSH 025]
TAROE Trust [RSH 026]
Hull Tenants Forum [RSH 028]
PlaceShapers [RSH 029]
Social Housing Action Campaign [RSH 030]
Barkantine Management Team [RSH 031]
Eastfields Residents Association [RSH 032]
Professor Andrew King [RSH 033]
Vincent Piggins [RSH 034]
Dr Denego and Dr Ejiogu [RSH 036]
Chartered Institute of Housing [RSH 037]
South Yorkshire Housing Association [RSH 038]
Devonshires Solicitors [RSH 039]
believe housing [RSH 041]
Tpas [RSH 042]
Action Disability Training and Consulting [RSH 043]
Optivo [RSH 044]
YMCA [RSH 045]
Stonewater [RSH 046]
Shelter [RSH 047]
Merton Centre for Independent Living [RSH 048]
Northern Housing Consortium [RSH 049]

DLUHC [RSH 050]
Homes for the South West [RSH 051]
UK Finance [RSH 052]
Siobhain McDonagh MP [RSH 053]
Shared Ownership Resources [RSH 054]
G15 Residents [RSH 055]
Cornwall Council [RSH 058]
Altair Ltd [RSH 059]
LGA [RSH 060]
Your Housing Group [RSH 061]
One Manchester [RSH 062]
Savills [RSH 063]
Homes for Cathy [RSH 064]
Regulator of Social Housing [RSH 065]
Crisis [RSH 066]
National Federation of ALMOs [RSH 068]
Claire Brown [RSH 069]
Nooraini Mydin [RSH 071]
G15 [RSH 073]
HQN [RSH 075]
Grand Union Housing Group [RSH 076]
Riverside Group [RSH 077]
BRE Group [RSH 078]
Lord Filkin and others [RSH 079]
Nottingham City Council [RSH 080]
L&Q [RSH 081]
Legal and General [RSH 082]
British Property Federation [RSH 083]
Clarion Housing [RSH 084]
Rathbone Greenbank Investments [RSH 086]
Look Ahead [RSH 087]
National Housing Federation [RSH 088]
YMCA St Pauls [RSH 089]
London Councils [RSH 090]
Professor Raco and Dr Freire-Trigo [RSH 091]
High Path Community Association [RSH 092]
Peabody [RSH 093]
Campbell Tickell [RSH 094]

Sage Housing [RSH 095]
Liam Kelly [RSH 096]
London Tenants Federation [RSH 097]
South West London Law Centre [RSH 098]
Sovereign [RSH 100]
Haringey Defend Council Housing [RSH 101]
Citizen Housing [RSH 102]
Information Commissioner's Office [RSH 103]
Almshouse Consortium Ltd [RSH 104]
Abri Group Ltd [RSH 105]
St Georges Estate Residents [RSH 106]
The Guinness Partnership [RSH 107]
Grenfell United [RSH 108]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into Building safety: remediation and funding.

3. The regulation of social housing

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he was a councillor in Liverpool.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Rachel Hopkins declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in her office.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Matt Vickers declared an interest in that he had family members who were councillors, and he employed a councillor in his office.

Darren Hartley, Chief Executive, TAROE Trust; Suzanne Muna, representative, Social Housing Action Campaign; and Pat Turnbull, representative, London Tenant Federation, gave oral evidence.

Clare Miller, Chief Executive, Clarion Housing Group; Ben Denton, Chief Executive, L&G Affordable Homes; and Professor Ian Cole, Chair of Board of Management, South Yorkshire Housing Association, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 31 January at 3.30 pm

Monday 31 January 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Rachel Hopkins

Andrew Lewer

Mohammad Yasin

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Building safety: remediation and funding

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he employed a councillor.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association, and the National Residential Landlords Association provided the secretariat to the Private Rented Sector All-Party Parliamentary Group, which he chaired.

David O'Leary, Policy Director, Home Builders Federation; John Mulryan, Group Managing Director, Ballymore; and Peter Caplehorn, Chief Executive, Construction Products Association, gave oral evidence.

Liam Spender, Representative, UK Cladding Action Group; Ben Beadle, Chief Executive Officer, National Residential Landlords Association; and Andrew Bulmer, Chief Executive Officer, Institute of Residential Property Managers, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 2 February 2022 at 9.45 am

Wednesday 02 February 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Matt Vickers

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Work of Homes England

Correspondence from Homes England, dated 21 January.

Leasehold Reform (Ground Rent) Bill

Correspondence with the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, dated 21 January and 2 February.

Building and fire safety reform

Correspondence from the Minister for Building Safety and Fire, dated 31 January.

Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman

Correspondence to the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman, dated 2 February.

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 2 February.

Leasehold and Commonhold Reform

Correspondence to the Minister for Building Safety and Fire, dated 2 February.

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Building safety: remediation and funding

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he employed a councillor in his office.

Matt Vickers declared an interest in that he had family members who were councillors, and he employed a councillor in his office.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Kate Henderson, CEO, National Housing Federation; Councillor Rachel Blake, member of the Community Wellbeing Board, Local Government Association; and Geeta Nanda, Chief Executive, Metropolitan Thames Valley Housing, and Chair, G15, gave oral evidence.

Richard Collins, Interim Chief Executive, Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors; James Dalton, Director General Insurance Policy, Association of British Insurers; and Charles Roe, Director of Mortgages, UK Finance, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 7 February at 3.30 pm

Monday 7 February 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Ben Everitt

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

Matt Vickers

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Council Tax Rebate

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 7 February.

Levelling Up White Paper

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 2 February.

Exempt accommodation

Correspondence from the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, dated 26 January

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. The regulation of social housing

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he employed a councillor in his office.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Matt Vickers declared an interest in that he had family members who were councillors, and he employed councillors in his office.

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared an interest in that he employed councillors in his office, and that he was formerly a Nottingham City councillor and operational board member of Nottingham City Homes.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her staff team.

Chloe Fletcher, Policy Director, National Federation of ALMOs; Councillor David Renard, Representative, Local Government Association; and Nick Murphy, Chief Executive Officer, Nottingham City Homes, gave oral evidence.

Kate Henderson, Chief Executive, National Housing Federation; Matthew Walker, Chair, PlaceShapers; and Karen Brown, Senior Policy Adviser, Northern Housing Consortium, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 21 February at 3.30pm

Monday 21 February 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Brendan Clarke-Smith

Ben Everitt

Kate Hollern

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

1. Declaration of interests

Kate Hollern declared her 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:

Follow-up to the Government response to the 'local government and the path to net zero' report

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 21 February 2022.

The 80:20 rule, land value uplift, and net additionality

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 21 February 2022.

White paper for health and care integration

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 9 February 2022.

UK shared prosperity fund and cladding data

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 21 February 2022.

Building safety: remediation and funding

Correspondence from Ballymore, dated 11 February 2022.

Correspondence from the Home Builders Federation, dated 16 February 2022.

The regulation of social housing

Correspondence from Broadacres Housing Association, dated 09 February 2022.

Mayor of London [RSH 109]

Riverside and others [RSH 110].

Council tax collection

Teressa Cornish [CTC 001]

Norfolk County Council [CTC 002]

LGA [CTC 003]

Mid Sussex District Council [CTC 005]

Bristow & Sutor [CTC 006]

Hayden [CTC 007]
Mid Devon District Council [CTC 008]
Policy in Practice [CTC 009]
Jacobs [CTC 110]
CDER Group [CTC 011]
Civil Enforcement Association [CTC 013]
Money and Mental Health [CTC 016]
North Norfolk Council [CTC 017]
Lowell Financial [CTC 018]
Dukes Bailiffs Ltd [CTC 020]
Anglia Revenues Partnership [CTC 021]
Marston Holdings [CTC 022]
Money Advice Trust [CTC 023]
Jubilee Debt Campaign [CTC 024]
LB Southwark [CTC 025]
Z2K [CTC 026]
Christians Against Poverty [CTC 027]
Citizens Advice in West Sussex [CTC 028]
Norwich City Council [CTC 029]
Brighton and Hove Councils [CTC 030]
Wiltshire Council [CTC 031]
DEMSA [CTC 032]
StepChange [CTC 033]
Citizens Advice [CTC 034]
Coventry Citizens Advice [CTC 036]
Institute of Revenues Rating and Valuation [CTC 037]
Trussell Trust [CTC 038]
Joseph Rowntree Foundation [CTC 039]
Bristol City Council [CTC 040].

3. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That a member of the Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee be invited to attend the meeting on 28 February 2022 relating to Levelling Up, pursuant to Standing Order No 137A(1)(e) (Select committees: power to work with other committees).

4. Building safety: remediation and funding

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Kate Hollern declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her office.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he employed a councillor in his office.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Brendan Clarke-Smith declared an interest in that he employed councillors in his office.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her staff team.

Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities gave oral evidence.

The Committee considered this matter.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 28 February at 3.30 pm

Monday 28th February 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Matt Vickers

Kate Hollern

Ian Byrne

Mohammad Yasin

Andrew Lewer

Florence Eshalomi

Darren Jones also attended under the provisions of paragraph (1)(e) of Standing Order No 137A (Select committees: power to work with other committees) (LUHC Committee's resolution of 21 February).

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Council Tax Rebate

Correspondence with the Secretary of State, dated 21 February and response 28 February 2022.

Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 23 February 2022.

Leasehold and Commonhold Reform

Correspondence from the Minister for Building Safety and Fire, dated 22 February 2022.

Government's response to the Committee's report on Progress on Devolution in England

Correspondence from the Minister for Levelling Up, dated 24 February 2022.

The Regulation of Social Housing

Correspondence from Cllr David Renard, Local Government Association, dated 22 February 2022.

Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Supplementary Estimate

DLUHC Supplementary Estimate 2021-22: Estimates Memorandum.

Building Safety: Remediation and Funding

Correspondence from the Construction Products Association, dated 17 February 2022.

Correspondence from the National Residential Landlords Association, dated 21 February 2022.

Anonymous [BRF 001]
Mr Marc Gayer [BRF 002]
Mr Jonathan Campkin [BRF 003]
Juliet Morris [BRF 004]
Anonymous [BRF 006]
Mr Richard Nicholson [BRF 007]
Mr Raymond Rogers [BRF 008]
Dr Mark Azevado [BRF 009]
Gavin Thompson [BRF 010]
Mr Graham Hedger & Mr Richard Kenwood [BRF 011]
British Property Federation [BRF 012]
Mr Mark Wittcomb [BRF 013]
Evolution Cove Residents Association [BRF 014]
Anna Vaughan [BRF 015]
Mr Paul Durston [BRF 016]
Ms Caroline Milne [BRF 017]
Mrs Sue Moseley [BRF 019]
Mr Steve Anderson Dixon [BRF 020]
Mr Nigel Campkin [BRF 021]
Mr Malcolm Bruce [BRF 023]
Mrs Tracey Graham [BRF 025]
Midland Heart [BRF 026]
Islington Gates Leaseholder Management Company [BRF 027]
Mr Rowena Evans [BRF 028]
G15 [BRF 029]
R Bint [BRF 030]
Federation of Private Residents Associations [BRF 031]
Mr Paul Bullock [BRF 033]
Karbon Homes [BRF 034]
Association of Residential Managing Agents [BRF 035]
Anonymous [BRF 036]
RISCAuthority [BRF 038]
Wren Insurance Association [BRF 039]
Heritage Court RTM Company [BRF 040]
Mr Joe Jenkins [BRF 041]
Mr David Parker [BRF 042]
New Providence Wharf Residents Association [BRF 043]
Hawes [BRF 044]

Velicky [BRF 045]
Miss Sophie Bichener [BRF 047]
Panorama House RTM Company [BRF 048]
Miss Alison Hills [BRF 049]
Mr and Mrs Christie Valerie and Gian-Pietro Untersander [BRF 050]
Mr Kulwinder Hothi [BRF 052]
Richard Price [BRF 053]
Mr Mark Berentzen [BRF 054]
Ms Pauline McMillan [BRF 055]
Dukes Palace Wharf (Norwich) Management Co. [BRF 056]
The Wharf Block A Tenants Association [BRF 057]
Mr Colin Spilling [BRF 058]
Anonymous [BRF 059]
Moat Homes [BRF 060]
Mrs Jing Wang [BRF 061]
Mr James Brennan [BRF 062]
Royal Institute of British Architects [BRF 063]
Dr Seluk Cidik and Dr Philips [BRF 064]
Ms Turner [BRF 065]
Ms Denise Steadman [BRF 066]
Mr Laurence Parkman [BRF 067]
Angela Levitsky [BRF 068]
London First [BRF 069]
Ros Morley [BRF 070]
National Federation of Roofing Contractors [BRF 071]
London Councils [BRF 072]
FirstPort [BRF 073]
GMV Management Ltd [BRF 074]
Mr Nigel Billen [BRF 075]
Mr Peter Mengerink and Ms Jane Randle [BRF 076]
Mayor of London [BRF 077]
Mr Reese Lipman [BRF 079]
Mr Paul Farmery [BRF 080]
Mr Joseph Douglas [BRF 081]
Mr Miles Brown [BRF 082]
Dr David Bateman [BRF 083]
International Underwriting Association [BRF 084]
National Housing Federation [BRF 085]

Chartered Institute of Housing [BRF 086]
Professor Sarah Lupton [BRF 087]
British Insurance Brokers Association [BRF 088]
Mountifield [BRF 089]
Association of British Insurers [BRF 091]
Liverpool City Region Housing Associations [BRF 092]
Delahunty [BRF 093]
Ipswich Cladiators [BRF 094]
Richard Goar [BRF 095]
Triathlon Homes [BRF 096]
Mistry [BRF 097]
Anonymous [BRF 098]
Emily Tomlinson [BRF 099]
Spectrum Residents Association [BRF 100]
Anthony Speaight [BRF 101]
Miss Steph Pike [BRF 102]
Kirsty Walsh [BRF 104]
Ms Janeczko [BRF 106]
Marc Duschenes [BRF 107]
Chartered Institute of Architectural Technologists [BRF 108]
A Fidler [BRF 109]
Construction Industry Council [BRF 110]
Churchill Retirement Living [BRF 111]
Home Builders Federation [BRF 112]
Bristol City Council [BRF 113]
Taylor Wimpey [BRF 114]
Julie Fraser [BRF 115]
Housing Safety and Wellbeing Taskforce [BRF 116]
UK Cladding Action Group [BRF 117]
Leasehold Knowledge Partnership [BRF 118]
End Our Cladding Scandal [BRF 119]
National Fire Chiefs Council [BRF 120]
LGA [BRF 121]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Levelling Up White Paper

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he employed a councillor in his office.

Kate Hollern declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her office.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and employed a councillor in his office.

Matt Vickers declared an interest in that he had family members who were councillors, and he employed a councillor in his office.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and a member of the Northampton Forward Board.

Neil O'Brien, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Levelling Up, The Union and Constitution) and Andy Haldane, Permanent Secretary for the Levelling Up Taskforce at the Cabinet Office gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 7 March 2022 at 3.30 pm

Monday 7 March 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Florence Eshalomi

Andrew Lewer

Matt Vickers

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

UK Shared Prosperity Fund

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 7 March 2022.

Private Parking Regulation

Correspondence from the Minister for Levelling Up, dated 22 February 2022.

Pre-appointment hearing with the New Homes Ombudsman

Correspondence from the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, dated 24 February 2022.

Building Safety: Remediation and Funding

Correspondence from G15 Metropolitan Thames Valley Housing, dated 4 March 2022.

Correspondence from the British Standards Institution, dated 2 March 2022.

Anonymous [BRF 105]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. DLUHC Annual Report and Accounts 2020-21

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a Vice-President of the Local Government Association.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he employed a councillor in his office.

Matt Vickers declared an interest in that he had family members who were councillors, and he employed a councillor in his office.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a Vice-President of the Local Government Association.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a Vice-President of the Local Government Association.

Jeremy Pocklington, Permanent Secretary, Richard Goodman, Director General, Building Safety, Grenfell and Net Zero, Matt Thurstan, Chief Financial Officer, and Alex Skinner, Director for Local Government Finance, Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, gave oral evidence.

4. Building Safety: Remediation and Funding

Draft Report (Building Safety: Remediation and Funding) 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 1063.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 9 March 2022 at 9.45 am

Wednesday 9 March 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ben Everitt

Florence Eshalomi

Andrew Lewer

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Building Safety: Remediation and Funding

Correspondence from the Association of British Insurers, dated 8 March 2022.

2. The Regulation of Social Housing

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Jenny Osbourne, Chief Executive at TPAS and Dr Amanze Ejiogu, Senior Lecturer in Accounting and Finance at Newcastle University Business School gave oral evidence.

James Prestwich, Director of Policy and External Affairs at Chartered Institute of Housing; Helen Garrett, National Housing Data and Insights Lead at BRE Group; and Tarun Bhakta, Policy Officer at Shelter gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 14 March 2022 at 3.30 pm

Monday 21 March 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair
Bob Blackman
Ian Byrne
Andrew Lewer
Florence Eshalomi

3. Evidence reported for publication

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

Building Safety: Remediation and Funding

Correspondence to the Association of British Insurers, dated 21 March 2022.

Government's response to the Commission on Race and Ethnic Disparities' (CRED) Report

Correspondence from the Minister of State for Equalities, dated 17 March 2022.

Support for Ukrainian Refugees

Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary at DLUHC, dated 18 March 2022.

Correspondence to the Minister for Refugees, dated 21 March 2022.

The Regulation of Social Housing

Correspondence from BRE Group, dated 10 March 2022.

Walsh [RSH 008]

Anonymous [RSH 010]

Phyll Buchanan [RSH 027]

Anonymous [RSH 040]

Anonymous [RSH 056]

Yorkshire Housing [RSH 067]

Justice for THCH Residents [RSH 074]

Dawud Marsh [RSH 111]

Exempt Accommodation

Dr Chris O'Leary [EXA001]

Crawley Borough Council [EXA002]

Anonymous [EXA003]

GreenSquareAccord [EXA005]

LGSCO [EXA006]

Inclusion Group [EXA007]

St Basils [EXA008]

West Midlands Combined Authority [EXA009]

West Midlands Police [EXA010]

Joy Allen [EXA011]

West Midlands Housing Association [EXA012]

Zetetic Housing [EXA013]

Anglia Revenues Partnership [EXA014]

Nottingham Community Housing Association [EXA015]

Golden Lane Housing [EXA016]

Grand Union Housing Group [EXA017]

Handsworth Helping Hands [EXA018]

BCP Council [EXA019]

LGA [EXA020]

Phil Shanks [EXA021]

Bristol Road Neighbourhood Watch [EXA022]

Stepping Stone Projects [EXA024]
St Petrocs [EXA025]
Succour Haven CIC [EXA026]
YMCA England and Wales [EXA029]
Horizons North East [EXA030]
Empower Housing Association [EXA031]
Centre for the New Midlands [EXA032]
Sunderland City Council [EXA033]
Preston City Council [EXA034]
Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council [EXA035]
Commonweal Housing [EXA036]
Connection at St Martins [EXA037]
Soho Road East Neighbourhood Watch [EXA038]
Lotus Sanctuary CIC [EXA039]
Changing Lives [EXA040]
Learning Disability and Autism Housing Network [EXA041]
South Yorkshire Housing Association [EXA042]
Crisis [EXA043]
Campbell Tickell Ltd [EXA044]
Green Pastures [EXA045]
Women's Aid Federation of England [EXA046]
Spring Housing Association [EXA047]
Praevaleo Ltd [EXA048]
West Midlands Combined Authority Faith Strategic Partnership Group [EXA049]
Dr Patrick Murphy [EXA053]
Medway Council [EXA054]
Yenaa Housing Ltd [EXA056]
Chartered Institute of Housing [EXA058]
Progress Housing Group [EXA059]
YMCA St Pauls Group [EXA060]
West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner [EXA061]
First Priority Housing Association [EXA062]
Cllr Robert Alden [EXA063]
Shabana Mahmood MP [EXA064]
HBV Group [EXA065]
National Care Forum [EXA068]
Midland Heart [EXA069]
Centrepont [EXA070]

L'Arche [EXA071]
Expert Link [EXA073]
Salvation Army [EXA074]
Westmoreland Supported Housing Ltd [EXA075]
HMO Action Group [EXA076]
Blackpool Council [EXA077]
Regulator of Social Housing [EXA078]
Mrs Frances Heywood [EXA079]
Riverside Group [EXA080]
Moseley Regeneration Group [EXA081]
Derby City Council [EXA082]
Hilldale Housing Association [EXA083]
Emmaus UK [EXA084]
Sanctuary [EXA085]
Prospect Housing [EXA086]
Entrain Space [EXA087]
City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council [EXA088]
Manchester City Council [EXA089]
Institute of Revenues, Rating and Valuation [EXA090]
National Fire Chiefs Council [EXA091]
Resonance [EXA092]
Nottingham City Council [EXA093]
Luton Homeless Partnership [EXA094]
Oculus Real Estate [EXA095]
LB Hackney [EXA096]
Brandwood Together [EXA098]
Rozanne Ferber [EXA099]
Antrobus Road Residents' Action Group [EXA100]
National Housing Federation [EXA101]
Barnardos [EXA102]
Sheffield City Council [EXA103]
Charnwood Borough Council [EXA104]
National Housing and Domestic Abuse Policy and Practice Group [EXA105]
West Midlands Fire Service [EXA106]
Association of Police and Crime Commissioners [EXA107]
Preet Kaur Gill MP [EXA108]
South Kesteven District Council [EXA109]
Werst Devon Borough Council [EXA110]

St Mungos [EXA111]
Joint Mayoral Response [EXA112]
Leeds City Council [EXA113]
Birmingham City Council [EXA114]
Bristol City Council [EXA115]
Homeless Link [EXA116]
Hull City Council [EXA117]
London's Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime [EXA118]
The Ashley Foundation [EXA119]

4. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

5. Appointment of the Chair of the Regulator of Social Housing

Bernadette Conroy, Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities' preferred candidate for Chair of Regulator of Social Housing Board, gave oral evidence.

Draft Report (Appointment of the Chair of the Regulator of Social Housing), 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 1207.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 28 March 2022 at 3.45 pm.

Monday 28 March 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair
Bob Blackman
Ben Everitt
Kate Hollern
Andrew Lewer
Florence Eshalomi

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

80:20 rule and land value uplift

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 17 March 2022.

Council Tax Rebate

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 24 March 2022.

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 28 March 2022.

DLUHC Annual Report and Accounts 2020-21: Follow Up

Correspondence to the Permanent Secretary, DLUHC, dated 28 March 2022.

Reform of Supported Housing

Correspondence from the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, dated 17 March 2022.

Supporting our high streets after Covid-19

Correspondence to the Minister for Levelling Up, the Union and Constitution, dated 28 March 2022.

Exempt Accommodation

Anonymous [EXA023]

Mr Devinder Kumar [EXA027]

Community Partnership for Selly Oak [EXA050]

Anonymous [EXA051]

N Welling and T McKenzie [EXA066]

Birmingham Social Housing Partnership [EXA067]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Exempt accommodation

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Kate Hollern declared an interest in that she employed a councillor in her office.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Jonathan Walters, Deputy Chief Executive, Regulator of Social Housing; Paul Latham, Director of Communications and Policy, Charity Commission; and Debbie Ivanova, Deputy Chief Inspector for People with a Learning Disability and Autistic People, Care Quality Commission, gave oral evidence.

Cllr Neil Jory, Leader of West Devon District Council; Guy Chaundy, Senior Manager Housing Strategy, City Housing, Birmingham City Council; Helen Climpson, Outreach and Private Rented Options Service Manager, City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council; and Cllr Sharon Thompson, Chair, Homelessness Taskforce Members Advisory Group, West Midlands Combined Authority, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 30 March 2022 at 9.45 am.

Wednesday 30 March 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ben Everitt

Andrew Lewer

Florence Eshalomi

Mohammad Yasin

Dame Diana Johnson also attended under the provisions of paragraph (1)(e) of Standing Order No 137A (Select committees: power to work with other committees).

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Supplementary Estimate 2021-22

Correspondence to Permanent Secretary, DLUHC, dated 30 March 2022.

Support for Ukrainian Refugees

Correspondence from the Minister for Refugees, dated 29 March 2022.

Correspondence from British Red Cross, dated 29 March 2022.

The Regulation of Social Housing

Correspondence from the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, dated 29 March 2022.

Correspondence from Guinness Partnership Housing Association, dated 23 March 2022.

2. Support for Ukrainian Refugees

The Chair declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he was a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Dame Diana Johnson declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Bob Blackman declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association and he employs a councillor in his office.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he was a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Councillor James Jamieson, Chairman, Local Government Association; Mark Lloyd, Chief Executive, Local Government Association; and Sonika Sidhu, Principal Policy Adviser, Local Government Association, gave oral evidence.

Lord Richard Harrington of Watford, Minister for Refugees, DLUHC and Home Office; Catherine Frances, Director General, Local Government Strategy and Analysis, DLUHC; and Emma Haddad, Director General for Asylum and Protection, Home Office, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Tuesday 19 April 2022 at 3.30pm.

Tuesday 19 April 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair
Bob Blackman
Ian Byrne
Darren Henry
Kate Hollern
Andrew Lewer
Mary Robinson
Mohammad Yasin

1. Declaration of Interests

Darren Henry 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:

Building Safety

Correspondence to the Secretary of State, dated 19 April 2022.

Council Tax Rebate

Correspondence from the Secretary of State, dated 6 April 2022.

DLUHC Annual Report and Accounts 2020-21: Follow Up

Correspondence from the Director of Local Government Finance, DLUHC, dated 4 April 2022.

DLUHC Supported Housing Pilot Evaluation

Correspondence from the Minister for Rough Sleeping and Housing, dated 7 April 2022.

Exempt Accommodation

Domestic Abuse Commissioner for England & Wales [EXA120]

Care Quality Commission [EXA121]

Ombudsman's Triennial Review

Correspondence from the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman, dated 9 March 2022.

Support for Ukrainian Refugees

Correspondence from the Local Government Association, dated 6 April 2022.

Correspondence from the Minister for Refugees, dated 8 April 2022.

Correspondence to the Minister for Refugees, dated 19 April 2022.

UK Shared Prosperity Fund

Correspondence from the Minister for Levelling Up, the Union and Constitution, and Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Skills, dated 13 April 2022.

3. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee visit Regina Road, South Norwood, and Central Hill, Lambeth, in connection with its inquiry into the Regulation of Social Housing.

4. The Regulation of Social Housing

The Chair declared an interest in that he is a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he is a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Ian Byrne declared an interest in that he employs a councillor in his office and has a family member who is a councillor.

Kate Hollern declared an interest in that she employs a councillor in her office.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employs a councillor in her office.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he is a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Darren Henry declared an interest in that he is co-chair of Midlands Engine all-party parliamentary group, his wife is Police and Crime Commissioner for Nottinghamshire and that he is a member of the Stapleford Town Board and Stapleford Cycle Network Group.

Richard Blakeway, Housing Ombudsman, and Jonathan Walters, Deputy Chief Executive, The Regulator of Social Housing, gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 25 April 2022 at 3.30pm.

Monday 25 April 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Bob Blackman

Ian Byrne

Florence Eshalomi

Ben Everitt

Darren Henry

Kate Hollern

Andrew Lewer

Mohammad Yasin

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Committee's report on Future of Planning System and Permitted Development rights

Correspondence from the Minister of State for Housing, dated 19 April 2022.

The Regulation of Social Housing

Anonymous [RSH 112]

Rachel Waters [RSH 113]

2. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Long term funding of adult social care

The Chair declared an interest in that he is a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mohammad Yasin declared an interest in that he is a member of the Bedford Town Deal Board.

Ian Byrne declared interests in that he employs a councillor in his office and has a family member who is a councillor.

Florence Eshalomi declared an interest in that she is a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Kate Hollern declared an interest in that she employs a councillor in her office.

Bob Blackman declared interests in that he is a vice-president of the Local Government Association, employs a councillor in his office, has a family member who volunteers in a care home, and previously had a family member who was a resident of a care home.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he is a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Darren Henry declared an interest in that he has family members who receive residential care.

Sarah Pickup, Deputy Chief Executive, Local Government Association; Gavin Edwards, Senior National Officer for Social Care, UNISON; and Adrian Jenkins, Director, Pixel Financial Management gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Wednesday 27 April 2022 at 9.30am.

Wednesday 27 April 2022

Members present

Mr Clive Betts, in the Chair

Ben Everitt

Darren Henry

Kate Hollern

Andrew Lewer

Mary Robinson

1. Evidence reported for publication

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

Committee's Eighth Report from 2017-19 session on planning guidance on fracking

Correspondence to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, dated 27 April 2022.

PAS9980 on fire safety remediation

Correspondence to the British Standards Institution, dated 27 April 2022.

Support for Ukrainian Refugees

Correspondence to the Local Government Association, dated 27 April 2022.

2. Exempt Accommodation

The Chair declared an interest in that he is a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Kate Hollern declared an interest in that she employs a councillor in her office.

Andrew Lewer declared an interest in that he is a vice-president of the Local Government Association.

Mary Robinson declared an interest in that she employs a councillor in her office.

David Fensome, CEO, Concept Housing; Denise Hatton, National Secretary and CEO, YMCA of England and Wales; and Henry Meacock, Chief Executive, St Petrocs gave oral evidence.

Matthew Downie, Chief Executive, Crisis; Ashley Horsey, Chief Executive, Commonweal Housing; Farah Nazeer, Chief Executive, Women's Aid Federation; and Sam Lister, Policy and Practice Officer, Chartered Institute of Housing gave oral evidence.

Adjournment

Adjourned till Monday 16 May 2022 at 3.30pm.

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

(i) Members of the Committee

Vickers, Matt MP (Stockton South)

20 October 2021

Entry in the Register of Members' Interests:

1. Employment and earnings

From 30 April 2020 until further notice, I receive allowances of £465 per month from Stockton Borough Council, Municipal Buildings, Church Rd, Stockton TS18 1LD, for duties as a councillor. Hours: 20 hrs a week. (Registered 11 January 2020; updated 22 June 2020)

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

19 March 2021, received £240 for a survey completed in February 2021. Hours: 1 hr. (Registered 06 July 2021)

16 July 2021, received £120. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 16 July 2021)

8 August 2021, received £170. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 08 September 2021)

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

9 October 2020, received £250 for a survey completed in August 2020. Hours: 1 hr. (Registered 06 July 2021)

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

Name of donor: The Carlton Club

Address of donor: 69 St James's Street, London SW1A 1PJ

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

Date received: 13 May 2021

Date accepted: 13 May 2021

Donor status: company, registration 00573221

(Registered 06 July 2021)

Name of donor: IX Wireless Limited Company

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: 7 July 2021

Date accepted: 7 July 2021

Donor status: company, registration 11008144
(Registered 07 July 2021)

3. Gifts, benefits and hospitality from UK sources

Name of donor: Hartlepool United Football Club Ltd

Address of donor: Victoria Park, Clarence Rd, Hartlepool TS24 8BZ

Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: A ticket, including transport and lunch, to watch Hartlepool FC play Torquay United in Bristol, total value £400

Date received: 20 June 2021

Date accepted: 20 June 2021

Donor status: company, registration 00098191
(Registered 25 June 2021)

Additional declarations: I am a former councillor. Mother is a councillor. Two councillors work in my constituency office. I am also the chair of the APPG for the future of retail.

Hollern, Kate MP (Blackburn)

7 February 2022

Entry in the Register of Members' Interests:

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

From August 2015, a half-share in a residential property in Blackburn: (i).
(Registered 29 September 2016)

Henry, Darren MP (Broxtowe)

19 April 2022

Entry in the Register of Members' Interests:

Additional Declarations: Co-Chair of the Midlands Engine APPG (Unpaid Role). My wife is the Police and Crime Commissioner for Nottinghamshire. Member of the Stapleford Town Board (Unpaid Role). Chair of the Stapleford Cycle Network Group, created following the Towns Fund (Unpaid Role)

(ii) Specialist Advisers

Aileen Murphie

16 June 2021

Declaration of interests:

Recently worked at the National Audit Office.

Other posts held currently:

- Fellow of the Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (2016).
- Hon. Prof. University of Durham, Department of Accounting (2018).
- Chair, Practice Oversight Panel, Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (2021).

Academic work underway:

- Chapter on local government finance and local economic recovery in a book Wicked issues and the social determinants of health to be published by University of Bristol.
- Journal article on place based accountability, currently out for academic review.
- Book on the NAO and its relationship with Parliament, 1983-2023, to be published by University of Durham (jointly with Durham colleagues).