Formal Minutes of the Justice Committee

Tuesday 10 June 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Steve Brine
Rehman Chishti
Jeremy Corbyn
Nick de Bois
Mr Elfyn Llwyd
Andy McDonald
John McDonnell

1. Prisons: planning and policies

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Prisons: planning and policies inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Senait Jones; Secure Accommodation Network; Qpsw Crime, Community and Justice; Mission and Public Affairs Council, Church of England; Howard League for Penal Reform; Welsh Language Commissioner; Open University; Prisoner Learning Alliance; Milton Keynes College; Unilink; Prison Reform Trust; Prison Officers Association; Children's Rights Alliance for England; Serco; Bail for Immigration Detainees; British Psychological Society; A4e Ltd; Association of Colleges; Progressing Prisoners Maintaining Innocence; Kevin O'Neill; Women in Prison; HM Inspectorate of Prisons; Standing Committee Youth Justice; Criminal Justice Alliance; Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales; Professor Yvonne Jewkes; Dr Dominique Moran; User Voice; Ministry of Justice; and Prison Governors' Association.

2. Manorial rights

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into manorial rights.

3. The work of the Lord Chief Justice

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to The work of the Lord Chief Justice be reported to the House for publication on the internet: correspondence from the Lord Chief Justice.

4. Mesothelioma claims

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Mesothelioma Claims inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: correspondence from James Dalton, Association of British Insurers.

5. Crime reduction policies: a co-ordinated approach?

Draft Report (Crime reduction policies: a co-ordinated approach?) 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 307.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 17 June at 9.15am.

Tuesday 17 June 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Mr Robert Buckland
Rehman Chishti
Mr Christopher Chope
Jeremy Corbyn
John Cryer

Mr Elfyn Llwyd
Andy McDonald
John McDonnell
Yasmin Qureshi

1. European Scrutiny Committee report chapter: Detention and supervision of EU citizens

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Mesothelioma claims

a) Declaration of interests

Andy McDonald declared an interest as a former member of Thompsons Solicitors.

John Cryer declared an interest as a former employee of Unite.

b) Oral evidence

Lord Faulks QC, Minister of State for Civil Justice and Legal Policy, Ministry of Justice, gave oral evidence.

3. Declaration of interests by a new Member

Mr Robert Buckland disclosed his interests in accordance with the Resolution of the House of 13 July 1992, as follows:

Remunerated employment, office, profession etc

Payments from the Ministry of Justice, 102 Petty France London SW1H 9AJ for work as a Crown Court Recorder:

£19.65 received for work done on 2 May 2013. Hours: 2hrs. (Registered 24 June 2013);
£1,646.28 received for work done on 29, 30 and 31 July 2013 and 1 August 2013. Hours: 4 days. (Registered 9 September 2013);

£300.60 received for work done on 2 January 2014. Hours: 1 day. (Registered 17 January 2014);

£1,318.26 for work done on 22-25 April 2014. Hours: 4 days. (Registered 13 May 2014);

£100 for parliamentary panel survey on 24 April 2013 from ComRes, 4 Millbank, London SW1P 3JA. Payment donated to local charity. Hours: 30 mins. (Registered 24 June 2013)

[Adjourned till Tuesday 24 June at 9.15am.

**Tuesday 24 June 2014**

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Steve Brine  
Mr Robert Buckland  
John Cryer

Nick de Bois  
Andy McDonald  
John McDonnell

1. **Mesothelioma claims**

The Committee considered this matter.

2. **Criminal Cases Review Commission**

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 2 July at 9.15am.]
Wednesday 2 July 2014

Members present:

Rehman Chishti  Andy McDonald
Mr Elfyn Llwyd  John McDonnell

In the absence of the Chair, Mr Elfyn Llwyd was called to the chair.

1. Joint enterprise

Resolved, That Jeremy Corbyn visit Cambridge in a representative capacity in connection with the inquiry into Joint enterprise: follow-up.

2. Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Criminal Cases Review Commission

Ordered, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication on the internet: correspondence on the Criminal Cases Review Commission.

4. Ministry of Justice Main Estimate 2014/15

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to Ministry of Justice Main Estimate 2014/15 be reported to the House for publication on the internet: correspondence from the Ministry of Justice.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 8 July at 9.15am.

Tuesday 8 July 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Steve Brine  Nick de Bois
Mr Robert Buckland  Mr Elfyn Llwyd
Rehman Chishti  Andy McDonald
Jeremy Corbyn  John McDonnell
John Cryer

1. Joint enterprise

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Joint Enterprise: Follow-Up inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Melanie Mcfadyean;
Bureau of Investigative Journalism; Dr Matthew Dyson; Sam Stein QC; Crown Prosecution Service; Graham Virgo; Irvine Thanvi Natas Solicitors; Andrea Edwards; Dr Ben Crewe, Dr Susie Hulley and Ms Serena Wright.

2. Inter-parliamentary meeting in Paris

Ordered, That the Chair have leave to visit Paris on 17 September to attend an inter-parliamentary meeting on the European Public Prosecutor’s Office and the EU data protection reform package in a representative capacity, and that the approval of the Chair of the Liaison Committee be sought for expenditure in connection with the visit.

3. Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012

a) Written Evidence

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet:
correspondence from Shailesh Vara MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Justice, Ministry of Justice.

b) Declaration of interests

Mr Robert Buckland, Rehman Chishti and Andy McDonald declared interests as legal practitioners who had received legal aid funding in the past.

c) Oral evidence

Judith March, Director, Personal Support Unit, Julie Bishop, Director, Law Centres Network, and Gillian Guy, Chief Executive, Citizens Advice Bureaux, gave oral evidence.

Nicholas Lavender QC, Chairman, General Council of the Bar, Andrew Caplen, Vice President, Law Society, and Jenny Beck, Co-Chair, Legal Aid Practitioners Group, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 9 July at 9.15am.]
Wednesday 9 July 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Steve Brine  Nick de Bois
Mr Robert Buckland  Mr Elfyn Llwyd
Mr Christopher Chope  Andy McDonald
Jeremy Corbyn  John McDonnell

1. Theft Offences Guideline

Draft Report (Theft Offences Guideline: consultation), 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 554.

2. The work of the Secretary of State

Mr Robert Buckland, Mr Elfyn Llwyd and Andy McDonald declared interests as legal practitioners.

Rt Hon Chris Grayling MP, Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 15 July at 9.15am.

Tuesday 15 July 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Steve Brine  Mr Elfyn Llwyd
Mr Robert Buckland  Andy McDonald
Rehman Chishti  John McDonnell
Jeremy Corbyn

1. Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Family Law Company; Consortium of Expert witnesses to the Family Courts.
2. *The work of the Administrative Justice Forum*

Ms Jodi Berg OBE, Chair of the Administrative Justice Forum, gave oral evidence.

3. *Mesothelioma claims*

Andy McDonald declared an interest as a former member of Thompsons Solicitors.

Draft Report (*Mesothelioma claims*), 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 308.*

4. *Future programme*

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into the Criminal Cases Review Commission.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 16 July at 9.15am.]

**Wednesday 16 July 2014**

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Steve Brine Andy McDonald
Jeremy Corbyn John McDonnell
Nick de Bois

1. *Joint Enterprise: Follow-Up*

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House for publication on the internet: correspondence from the Crown Prosecution Service on joint enterprise homicide cases in 2013.

2. *Women Offenders: Follow-Up*

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence relating to the *Women Offenders: Follow-Up* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Ministry of Justice.


[Adjourned till Tuesday 2 September at 9.15am.]
Tuesday 2 September 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Jeremy Corbyn
Nick de Bois
Mr Elfyn Llwyd
Andy McDonald
John McDonnell

1. Petition

The Committee noted the petition to the House from residents of Clwyd South relating to the sentence of Dennis Igo, presented by Ms Susan Elan Jones MP.

2. Joint Enterprise

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Joint Enterprise: follow-up inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: JENGbA; the Ministry of Justice; and Victim Support.

3. The Work of the Secretary of State

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to The Work of the Secretary of State be reported to the House for publication on the internet: correspondence from the Secretary of State.

4. Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012

a) Written evidence

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Family Law Company; Consortium of Expert Witnesses to the Family Courts; and the Institute of Paralegals.

b) Declaration of interests

Mr Elfyn Llwyd declared his intention to return to legal practice in 2015; and that he would stand aside from the inquiry.

Andy McDonald declared an interest as a former legal aid practitioner.

Nick de Bois declared a non-pecuniary interest as a former participant in mediation.
c) **Oral evidence**


Clare Laxton, Women’s Aid, Emma Scott, Rights of Women, and Philippa Newis, Gingerbread, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till tomorrow at 9.15am.

**Wednesday 3 September 2014**

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Jeremy Corbyn Andy McDonald
John Cryer John McDonnell
Mr Elfyn Llwyd

1. **Prisons: planning and policies**

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit Denmark and Germany in connection with its inquiry into *Prisons: planning and policies*, and that the Chair seek the approval of the Liaison Committee for expenditure in connection with the visit.

*Resolved*, That the Committee visit HMP Belmarsh in connection with its inquiry into *Prisons: planning and policies*.

2. **Publication of account of Committee meetings**

*Resolved*, That Dr Emma Crewe may publish an account of Committee meetings she attended.

3. **Joint Enterprise**

Gloria Morrison and Janet Cunliffe, Joint Enterprise: Not Guilty by Association (JENGbA), Rachel Stevenson, Bureau of Investigative Journalism, and Melanie McFadyean, freelance journalist, gave oral evidence.

Adam Pemberton, Assistant Chief Executive, Victim Support, and Saj Tufail, gave oral evidence.

Dr Matthew Dyson, Faculty of Law, University of Cambridge, and Dr Ben Crewe, Institute of Criminology, University of Cambridge, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 9 September at 9.15am.]
Tuesday 9 September 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Rehman Chishti
Jeremy Corbyn
John Crye
Nick de Bois
Mr Elfyn Llwyd
John McDonnell

1. Law Commission’s 12th Programme of Law Reform

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Manorial rights

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Manorial rights inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: David Bate; Christopher Jessel; K M Ramsden; PCS Union Land Registry Group; Albert Owen MP; Richard Woodward and Janet Woodward; Amanda White; Tim Troman; Lloyd Russell Jenkinson; The Church Commissioners for England; David O’Mahony; Richard Hill and Hannah Hill; Christopher M Berry; The Peasants’ Revolt; Elizabeth Mary Daniel; Dr Matthew James Hannah; Rhun ap Iorwerth AM; Country Land & Business Association; Bond Dickinson LLP; James Reeve; Archives and Records Association.

3. Women Offenders: follow-up

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to Women Offenders: follow-up be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Rt Hon Simon Hughes MP, Minister of State for Justice and Civil Liberties; the Prison Reform Trust.

4. Government Response to the Committee’s Reports on Crime Reduction Policies

The Committee considered this matter.

5. Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Susan Jacklin QC.

6. Prisons: planning and policies

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to Prisons: planning and policies be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Unlock.

Angela Levin, former Chair, Wormwood Scrubs Independent Monitoring Board, Jonathan Robinson, former prisoner, Paula Harriott, Head of Programmes, User Voice, and Deborah Russo, Joint Managing Solicitor, Prisoners’ Advice Service, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 14 October at 9.15am.]
Tuesday 14 October 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Jeremy Corbyn
Mr Elfyn Llwyd
John Howell
John McDonnell

1. Declaration of interests

John Howell declared his interests, in accordance with the Resolution of the House of 13 July 1992 as follows:

Sponsorships

(a) Donations to my constituency party or association, which have been or will be reported by my party to the Electoral Commission:

Name of donor: Winetown Ltd, Address of donor: 229 Hyde End Road, Spencers Wood, Reading RG7 1BU, Amount of donation or nature and value if donation in kind: £10,000. Donor status: company, registration 07023010. (Registered 17 June 2014)

2. Manorial rights

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Manorial rights inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Stephen Kemp and Company Limited; Ministry of Justice; Michael Turner; Michael Hall; Land Registry; Bewcastle Parish Council; Judith Bray.

3. Joint enterprise

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Joint enterprise: follow-up inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Dr Matthew Dyson; CCRC; JENGbA.

4. Older prisoners: follow-up

Ordered, That the written evidence relating to Older prisoners: follow-up submitted by the Ministry of Justice be reported to the House for publication on the internet.

5. Government Response to the Committee’s Reports on Crime Reduction Policies

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee take oral evidence from the Secretary of State for Justice.
6. Prisons: planning and policies

a) Written evidence

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Prisons: planning and policies inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Prison Advice Service; A4e; Prison Reform Trust; National Offender Management Service.

b) Declaration of interests

Mr Elfyn Llwyd declared an interest as a member of the Howard League for Penal Reform.

c) Oral evidence

Professor Yvonne Jewkes, University of Leicester, Kevin Lockyer, former regional director for NOMS, John Podmore, former prison governor, and Phil Wheatley, former director of NOMS, gave oral evidence.

Imtiaz Amin, Zahid Mubarek Trust, Dr Kimmett Edgar, Prison Reform Trust, and Andrew Neilson, Howard League for Penal Reform, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till tomorrow at 9.15am.

Wednesday 15 October 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Mr Christopher Chope          Mr Elfyn Llwyd
John Howell                   Andy McDonald

1. Petitions

The Committee considered the petition to the House from Andy Flynn concerning access to evidence in courts, presented by John Hemming MP.

The Committee considered the Government observations on the following petitions: from residents of Clwyd South concerning the sentence on Dennis Igo, presented by Susan Elan Jones MP; and from Miss Enid L. Gibson concerning the freezing of her assets, presented by John Hemming MP.
2. **Criminal Cases Review Commission**

The Committee considered this matter.

3. **Manorial rights**

Kim Thomas and Amanda White, The Peasants’ Revolt, Rhun ap Iorwerth, Assembly Member for Ynys Môn, and Albert Owen, Member of Parliament for Ynys Môn, gave oral evidence.

David Towns, Director, Bond Dickinson LLP, Roger Tetlow, Senior Legal Adviser, Country Land and Business Association, and Timothy Troman, Chartered Mineral Surveyor, Wardell Armstrong LLP, gave oral evidence.

Professor Judith Bray, University of Buckingham, and Christopher Jessel, retired solicitor, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 21 October at 9.15am.

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**Tuesday 21 October 2014**

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Rehman Chishti  
Mr Christopher Chope  
Jeremy Corbyn  

Nick de Bois  
John McDonnell

1. **Future programme**

The Committee considered this matter.

2. **Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012**

John Gallagher, Shelter, Sara Stephens, Housing Law Practitioners Association, and Connor Johnston, Garden Court Chambers Housing Team, gave oral evidence.

Carita Thomas, Immigration Law Practitioners Association, Denise McDowell, Greater Manchester Immigration Unit, and Sarah Campbell, Bail for Immigration Detainees, gave oral evidence.

Ruth Hayes, Islington Law Centre, Paula Twigg, Mary Ward Legal Centre, Catherine Evans, Southwark Law Centre, and Anita Hurrell, Corum Children’s Legal Centre, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till tomorrow at 9.15am.}
Wednesday 22 October 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Mr Christopher Chope  Andy McDonald
Jeremy Corbyn  John McDonnell
Nick de Bois

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Joint enterprise: follow-up

Alison Saunders CB, Director of Public Prosecutions, gave oral evidence.

Rt Hon Mike Penning MP, Minister of State for Policing, Criminal Justice and Victims, Scott McPherson, Director for Law, Rights and International, and Chris Munro, Deputy Director, Criminal Law Team, Ministry of Justice, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 28 October at 9.15am.

Tuesday 28 October 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Jeremy Corbyn  Mr Elfyn Llwyd
John Howell  John McDonnell

1. Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012

Ordered, That the written evidence relating to the Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 inquiry submitted by UK fathers for equal rights and justice in court be reported to the House for publication on the internet.


a) Declaration of interests

Mr Elfyn Llwyd declared an interest as a legal practitioner who had taken legal aid cases in the past and was likely to do so again in the future.
b) **Oral evidence**

Dame Ursula Brennan, Permanent Secretary, Craig Watkins, Director of Finance and Planning, and Michael Spurr, Chief Executive, National Offender Management Service, Ministry of Justice, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till tomorrow at 9.15am.

**Wednesday 29 October 2014**

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Mr Christopher Chope  
Jeremy Corbyn  
John Cryer  
Mr Elfyn Llwyd  
Andy McDonald  
John McDonnell

1. **Future programme**

The Committee considered this matter.

2. **Joint enterprise: follow-up**

The Committee considered this matter.

3. **Older prisoners: follow-up**

Andrew Selous MP, Minister for Prisons, Probation and Rehabilitation, and Michael Spurr, Chief Executive, National Offender Management Service, Ministry of Justice, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Monday 10 November at 4.15pm.]
Monday 10 November 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

John Cryer Andy McDonald
John Howell John McDonnell
Mr Elfyn Llwyd

1. The work of the Committee

Resolved, That the Committee submit a memorandum to the Liaison Committee on its work and agree a Report on its work in the 2010–2015 Parliament.

2. Manorial rights

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Manorial rights inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Jane Donaldson; Dr Paul Stafford.


The Committee noted Protocol No. 15 and the Government’s Explanatory Memorandum on it.

4. Prisons: planning and policies

a) Written evidence

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Prisons: planning and policies inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: correspondence received from Guy Opperman MP.

b) Oral evidence


In the absence of the Chair, Mr Elfyn Llwyd was called to the chair.

Rod Clarke, Chief Executive, Prisoners’ Education Trust, Keith Smith, interim Chief Executive, Skills Funding Agency, and Julie Mills, Association of Colleges, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 18 November at 10.45 am.]
Tuesday 18 November 2014

The Committee met at the Training Centre, HMP Belmarsh, Thameside

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Nick de Bois
John Howell
Mr Elfyn Llwyd
Andy McDonald

1. Prisons: planning and policies

a) Written evidence

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Prisons: planning and policies inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Zahid Mubarek Trust; G4S; Prison Reform Trust; Howard League; Dr Geoffrey Penzer.

b) Oral evidence

Simon Cartwright, Governor, HMP Belmarsh, John Biggin, Director, HMP Thameside, Grahame Hawkings, Governor, HMP/YOI Isis, and Phil Copple, Director, National Offender Management Service, gave oral evidence.

Steve Gillan, General Secretary, Sukhvinder Buparai, Branch Secretary HMP Belmarsh, and Thomas Bailey, Branch Chairman HMP/YOI Isis, Prison Officers’ Association, gave oral evidence.

David Pinchin, Independent Monitoring Board Chair, HMP/YOI Isis, and Carole Homan, Independent Monitoring Board Chair, HMP Belmarsh, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till tomorrow at 9.15 am.]
Wednesday 19 November

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Mr Christopher Chope
Jeremy Corbyn
Nick de Bois

John Howell
Andy McDonald
John McDonnell

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012

a) Declaration of interests

Andy McDonald declared an interest as a former legal practitioner.

b) Oral evidence

Lord Low of Dalston, Chair, and James Sandbach, Campaign and Research Manager, Low Commission, gave oral evidence.

Elisabeth Davies, Chair, and Steve Brooker, Advisor, Legal Services Consumer Panel, David Holland, Chief Executive, and James O’Connell, Head of Policy, Institute of Paralegals, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Monday 24 November at 4.00 pm.

Monday 24 November 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Nick de Bois
Andy McDonald

John McDonnell

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.
Resolved, That the Committee take oral evidence from Lord Thomas of Cwmgiedd, Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales.

Resolved, That the Committee take oral evidence from Nick Hardwick, HM Chief Inspector of Prisons.

2. **Ministry of Justice Annual Report and Accounts 2013-14 and related matters**

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the *Ministry of Justice Annual Report and Accounts 2013-14 and related matters* be reported to the House for publication on the internet: correspondence received from Dame Ursula Brennan, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Justice.

3. **Older prisoners: follow-up**

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the *Older prisoners: follow-up* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: correspondence received from Andrew Selous, Minister for Prisons, Probation and Rehabilitation, Ministry of Justice.

4. **Manorial rights**

Ordered, That the written evidence relating to the *Manorial rights* inquiry submitted by Bewcastle Parish Council be reported to the House for publication on the internet.

5. **Prisons: planning and policies**

Resolved, That the Committee now take evidence in private.

Douglas, Adellah, Raymond, Daniel and Dwayne, former prisoners, gave oral evidence.

Ordered, That the public be now admitted.

Lin Hinnigan, Chief Executive, Youth Justice Board, Gareth Jones, Chair, Association of Youth Offending Team Managers, Joyce Moseley OBE, Chair, Transition to Adulthood Alliance, and Penelope Gibbs, Chair, Standing Committee for Youth Justice, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till tomorrow at 9.15 am.]
Tuesday 25 November 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Jeremy Corbyn Andy McDonald
John Howell John McDonnell

1. **Joint enterprise: follow-up**

*Ordered*, That the written evidence relating to the *Joint enterprise: follow-up* inquiry submitted by the Crown Prosecution Service be reported to the House for publication on the internet.

2. **Manorial rights**

Lord Faulks QC, Minister of State for Civil Justice and Legal Policy, Ministry of Justice, and Steve Coveney, Head of Registration Legal Services, Land Registry, gave oral evidence.

3. **Prisons: planning and policies**

James Thorburn, Managing Director for Home Affairs, Serco, Jerry Petherick, Managing Director for Custodial and Detention Services, G4S, Mike Conway, Director of Operations, Sodexo, and James Timpson, Chair, Employer’s Forum for Reducing Re-offending, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Monday 1 December at 4.15 pm.

Monday 1 December 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Mr Christopher Chope John Howell
John Cryer John McDonnell
Nick de Bois

1. **Manorial rights**

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence relating to the *Manorial rights* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Lord Faulks QC, Minister of State for Civil Justice and Legal Policy; Elizabeth Cooke, Law Commission.
2. **Prisons: planning and policies**

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the *Prisons: planning and policies* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Dr Geoffrey Penzer; Prisoners’ Education Trust.

3. **Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012**

   a) Written evidence

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the *Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Iain Wightwick; Mary Ward Legal Centre; Cafcass.

   b) Declaration of interests

Mr Christopher Chope declared an interest as a non-practising barrister.

   c) Oral evidence

Lord Dyson, Master of the Rolls, Sir James Munby, President of the Family Division, Lord Justice Sullivan, Senior President of Tribunals, and Steve Matthews, Magistrates’ Association, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till tomorrow at 10.00 am.

**Tuesday 2 December 2014**

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Mr Christopher Chope  
Jeremy Corbyn  
Nick de Bois  
John Howell  
Mr Elfyn Llwyd  
Andy McDonald  
John McDonnell

1. **Crime reduction policies: a co-ordinated approach?**

Ordered, That the Chairman seek a debate on the report in Westminster Hall.

2. **Manorial rights**

The Committee considered this matter.
3. **Prisons: planning and policies**

   a) **Written evidence**

   *Ordered*, That the following written evidence relating to the *Prisons: planning and policies* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Carole Homan, Independent Monitoring Board Chair HMP/YOI Belmarsh.

   b) **Oral evidence**

   Andrew Selous MP, Minister for Prisons, Probation and Rehabilitation, Ministry of Justice, and Michael Spurr, Chief Executive, National Offender Management Service, gave oral evidence.

4. **Follow-up session on crime reduction policies and Transforming Rehabilitation**


[Adjourned till Tuesday 9 December at 9.15 am.

**Tuesday 9 December 2014**

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Nick de Bois  
John Howell  
Mr Elfyn Llwyd  
Andy McDonald  
John McDonnell

1. **Follow-up session on crime reduction policies and Transforming Rehabilitation**

   *Ordered*, That the following written evidence relating to the Follow-up session on crime reduction policies and Transforming Rehabilitation be reported to the House for publication on the internet: correspondence received from Rt Hon Chris Grayling MP, Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice, and Michael Spurr, Chief Executive, National Offender Management Service.

2. **Mesothelioma claims**

Draft Special Report (*Mesothelioma Claims: Government Response to the Committee’s Third Report of Session 2014-15*) proposed by the Chair, brought up and read the first and second time, and agreed to.

   *Resolved*, That the Report be the First Special Report of the Committee to the House.

   *Ordered*, That the Chair make the Report to the House.
3. **Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012**

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Immigration Law Practitioners’ Association; Bail for Immigration Detainees; Gingerbread.

4. **Joint enterprise: follow-up**

   a) **Written evidence**

   Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Joint enterprise: follow-up inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Charlotte May Henry; Dr Matt Dyson.

   b) **Draft Report**

   Draft Report (Joint enterprise: follow-up) proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

   Further consideration of the draft Report was adjourned; the formal minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Fourth Report of the Committee, HC 310.

   [Adjourned till tomorrow at 9.15 am.]

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**Wednesday 10 December 2014**

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Mr Christopher Chope  
Jeremy Corbyn  
John Howell  

Andy McDonald  
John McDonnell

1. **Joint enterprise: follow-up**

Consideration of the Chair’s draft Report (Joint enterprise: follow-up) resumed.

The draft Report was agreed; the formal minutes relating to the consideration of the Report are published in the Fourth Report of the Committee, HC 310.

2. **Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012**

   a) **Declaration of interests**

   Andy McDonald declared an interest as a former legal practitioner.
b) Oral evidence

Shailesh Vara MP, Minister for Courts and Legal Aid, Ministry of Justice, and Matthew Coats, Director of Legal Aid Casework, Legal Aid Agency.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 16 December at 10.00 am.

Tuesday 16 December 2014

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Mr Christopher Chope
Jeremy Corbyn
Nick de Bois
John Howell

Mr Elfyn Llwyd
Andy McDonald
John McDonnell

1. Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Impact of changes to civil legal aid under the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Coram Children’s Legal Centre.

2. Prisons: planning and policies

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the redacted transcript of the oral evidence taken by the Committee on Monday 24 November be reported to the House.

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Prisons: planning and policies inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Youth Justice Board; Barnardo’s.

3. Criminal Cases Review Commission

The Committee considered this matter.

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Criminal Cases Review Commission inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: AF; Bob Woffinden; British False Memory Society (BFMS); Cardiff University Law School; Cardiff University Law School Innocence Project; Centre for Criminal Appeals; Clifford Chance
LLP; Court of Appeal Criminal Division; Criminal Cases Review Commission; Des Thomas; Dr Peter Freeman; False Allegations Support Organisation; Glyn Maddocks; Holly Greenwood; Horatio Goodden; Jengba; Mark Newby; Maxine McEvoy; Ministry of Justice; Nick Johnson; Northumbria University School of Law; Paul May; Prison Reform Trust; Professor Carolyn Hoyle; Professor Michael Zander QC; Safari; Stanley Welsh; Stephen Heaton; Steven Jonas; The General Council of the Bar of Northern Ireland; University of Warwick School of Law; Victims’ Commissioner for England and Wales; Victor Nealon.

4. **Liaison Committee inquiry into Select committee effectiveness, resources and powers: Follow-up**

*Ordered*, That the Committee’s memorandum be submitted to the Liaison Committee.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 13 January 2015 at 9.15 am.

**Tuesday 13 January 2015**

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Mr Christopher Chope Mr Jeremy Corbyn
John Howell John McDonnell

1. **Manorial rights**

Draft Report (*Manorial 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 Fifth Report of the Committee, HC 657.*

2. **Petitions**

The Committee considered the following petitions to the House: from Mr William Barrie Daden and Mrs Pauline May Daden concerning redress and closure of a probate claim, presented by Liam Fox MP; from Giovanni di Stefano concerning his deportation; and from a resident of the United Kingdom concerning negligence claims, presented by John Hemming MP.

3. **Ministry of Justice Mid-Year Report 2014-15**

The Committee considered this matter.

4. **HM Crown Prosecution Service Inspectorate Draft Inspection Programme 2015-16**

The Committee considered this matter.
5. Prisons: planning and policies

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Prisons: planning and policies inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Standing Committee for Youth Justice; John Thornhill.


Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Gary Martin.

7. Follow-up session on crime reduction policies and Transforming Rehabilitation

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Follow-up session on crime reduction policies and Transforming Rehabilitation be reported to the House for publication on the internet: National Offender Management Service.

8. Criminal Cases Review Commission

Dr Dennis Eady, Cardiff University Law School Innocence Project, Dr Michael Naughton, University of Bristol Innocence Project, Glyn Maddocks, Solicitor, and Mark Newby, Solicitor, gave oral evidence.

Professor Jacqueline Hodgson, University of Warwick School of Law, Professor Carolyn Hoyle, Centre for Criminology, University of Oxford, and Dr Carole McCartney, Northumbria University School of Law, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 20 January at 9.15 am.]
Tuesday 20 January 2015

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair
Rehman Chishti  John Howell
Jeremy Corbyn  John McDonnell

1. **HM Chief Inspector of Probation**

The Committee considered this matter.

2. **Prisons: planning and policies**

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence relating to the *Prisons: planning and policies* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: National Offender Management Service; The Howard League for Penal Reform; Ministry of Justice.

3. **Criminal Cases Review Commission**

   a) **Written evidence**

   *Ordered*, That the following written evidence relating to the *Criminal Cases Review Commission* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Scottish CCRC; Eifion Edwards.

   b) **Oral evidence**

   Lord Runciman, Chair, and Professor Michael Zander QC, Member, Royal Commission on Criminal Justice, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 27 January at 9.15 am.]
Tuesday 27 January 2015

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Rehman Chishti  Mr Elfyn Llwyd
Nick de Bois     Andy McDonald
John Howell      John McDonnell

1. Petition

The Committee considered the Government observations on the petition from Giovanni di Stefano concerning his deportation.

2. Criminal Cases Review Commission

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Criminal Cases Review Commission inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Neil Jackson.

3. The Lord Chief Justice’s Report 2014 and related matters

a) Declarations of interests

Mr Elfyn Llwyd declared an interest as a former solicitor and barrister who had undertaken some publicly funded work and was intending to return to practice after the next general election.

Andy McDonald declared an interest as a former legal practitioner who had undertaken some legally aided work.

Rehman Chishti declared an interest as a barrister who had both prosecuted and defended and was still a door tenant at 18 Red Lion Chambers.

b) Oral evidence


[Adjourned till Tuesday 3 February at 10.00 am.]
Tuesday 3 February 2015

Morning sitting

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Jeremy Corbyn  Mr Elfyn Llwyd
John Howell  John McDonnell

1. Joint enterprise: follow-up

Draft Special Report (Joint enterprise: follow-up: Government Response to the Committee’s Fourth Report of Session 2014-15) proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

Resolved, That the Report be the Second Special Report of the Committee to the House.

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

2. Petition

The Committee considered the petition from Susan Fleeting concerning inquests into deaths of military personnel, presented by Mr Michael McCann MP.

3. Prisons: planning and policies

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Prisons: planning and policies inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Ministry of Justice.

4. Criminal Cases Review Commission

a) Written evidence

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Criminal Cases Review Commission inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales; Professor Michael Zander QC.

b) Oral evidence

Paul May and Bob Woffinden gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till this day at 4.00 pm.]
Tuesday 3 February 2015

Afternoon sitting

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Jeremy Corbyn  Andy McDonald
John Howell  John McDonnell
Mr Elfyn Llwyd

1. Criminal Cases Review Commission

The Committee considered this matter.

Richard Foster, Chair, and Karen Kneller, Chief Executive, Criminal Cases Review Commission, gave oral evidence.

Rt Hon Mike Penning MP, Minister of State for Policing, Criminal Justice and Victims, and Stephen Muers, Director for Sentencing and Rehabilitation, Ministry of Justice, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 10 February at 9.15 am.

Tuesday 10 February 2015

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Mr Elfyn Llwyd  Andy McDonald

1. Future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee take oral evidence from Nick Hardwick, HM Chief Inspector of Prisons.

Resolved, That the Committee take oral evidence from Mike Fuller, HM Chief Inspector of the Crown Prosecution Service.

2. Petition

The Committee considered the Government observations on the petition from a resident of the United Kingdom concerning negligence claims, presented by John Hemming MP.
3. **Criminal Cases Review Commission**

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the *Criminal Cases Review Commission* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Friends of Susan May; George Skelly.

4. **Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012**

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the *Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Ministry of Justice.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 24 February at 9.15 am.]

**Tuesday 24 February 2015**

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Jeremy Corbyn  
Andy McDonald

John Howell  
John McDonnell

1. **Petitions**

The Committee considered the following petitions: from a father in Birmingham concerning unproven allegations and the Disclosure and Barring Service, presented by John Hemming MP; from Jonathan Roger Steinberg concerning UK petitions to the European Court of Human Rights, presented by John Hemming MP.

2. **Criminal Cases Review Commission**

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the *Criminal Cases Review Commission* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Professor Michael Zander; Lord Chief Justice.

3. **Prisons: planning and policies**

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the *Prisons: planning and policies* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Helen Boothman; Prison Reform Trust; Ministry of Justice
4. **Supplementary Estimates for 2014-15**

The Committee considered this matter.

*Ordered*, That the following supplementary estimates memoranda be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Serious Fraud Office; Crown Prosecution Service; Ministry of Justice; Ministry of Justice Judicial Pension Scheme; National Archives; Supreme Court.

5. **Robbery Offences Guideline: Consultation**

Draft Report (*Robbery Offences Guideline: Consultation*) 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 1066.*

6. **Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012**

Andy McDonald declared an interest as a former legal aid practitioner.

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 4 March at 9.15 am.

**Wednesday 4 March 2015**

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Mr Christopher Chope  
Jeremy Corbyn  
Nick de Bois  
John Howell

Mr Elfyn Llwyd  
Andy McDonald  
John McDonnell

1. **Criminal Cases Review Commission**

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence relating to the *Criminal Cases Review Commission* inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Ministry of Justice; Glyn Maddocks; Criminal Cases Review Commission.

2. **Joint enterprise: follow-up**

*Ordered*, That the written evidence relating to the *Joint enterprise: follow-up* inquiry submitted by Ms Toni Louise Murphy be reported to the House for publication on the internet.
3. **Health and safety offences, corporate manslaughter and food safety and hygiene offences guidelines: consultation**

Draft Report (Health and safety offences, corporate manslaughter and food safety and hygiene offences guidelines: consultation) 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 Seventh Report of the Committee, HC 1099.

4. **Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012**

Mr Elfyn Llwyd drew the Committee’s attention to his declaration of 2 September 2014 that because of his prospective pecuniary interest he would not take part in the inquiry; and declared that he would not participate in consideration of the Chair’s Draft Report.

Andy McDonald declared an interest as a former legal aid practitioner.

Mr Christopher Chope declared an interest as a non-practising barrister.

Draft Report (Impact of changes to civil legal aid under Part 1 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012) 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 Eighth Report of the Committee, HC 311.

5. **Prisons: planning and policies**

Draft Report (Prisons: planning and policies) 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 Ninth Report of the Committee, HC 309.

6. **The work of HM Chief Inspector of the Crown Prosecution Service**

Mr Elfyn Llwyd declared an interest as a lawyer who had prosecuted in the past and who intended to prosecute in the future.

Andy McDonald declared an interest as a former legal aid practitioner.

Michael Fuller, HM Chief Inspector of the Crown Prosecution Service, gave oral evidence.

7. **The work of HM Chief Inspector of Prisons**

Nick Hardwick, HM Chief Inspector of Prisons, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 11 March at 9.15 am.]
Wednesday 11 March 2015

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Jeremy Corbyn
John Howell
Andy McDonald
John McDonnell

1. Ministry of Justice Mid-Year Report 2014-15

Ordered, That the correspondence relating to the Ministry of Justice Mid-Year Report 2014-15 received from Dame Ursula Brennan, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Justice be reported to the House for publication on the internet.

2. Criminal Cases Review Commission

Ordered, That the following written evidence relating to the Criminal Cases Review Commission inquiry be reported to the House for publication on the internet: Glyn Maddocks; Lord Judge.

3. The work of the Committee in the 2010–2015 Parliament

Draft Report (The work of the Committee in the 2010–2015 Parliament) 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 Tenth Report of the Committee, HC 1123.

4. Appointment of HM Chief Inspector of the Crown Prosecution Service

Andy McDonald declared an interest as a former criminal legal aid practitioner.


Ordered, That the public withdraw.

Draft Report (Appointment of HM Chief Inspector of the Crown Prosecution Service) 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 Eleventh Report of the Committee, HC 1117.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 17 March at 9.15 am.]
Tuesday 17 March 2015

Members present:

Sir Alan Beith, in the Chair

Jeremy Corbyn
John Howell
Mr Elfyn Llwyd

Andy McDonald
John McDonnell

1. Petition

The Committee considered the Government observations on the petition from Mr William Barrie Daden and Mrs Pauline May Daden concerning redress and closure of a probate claim, presented by Dr Liam Fox MP.

2. Criminal Cases Review Commission

Draft Report (Criminal Cases Review Commission) 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 Twelfth Report of the Committee, HC 850.

3. Women offenders: follow-up

Draft Report (Women offenders: follow-up) 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 Thirteenth Report of the Committee, HC 314.

4. Appointment of HM Chief Inspector of Prisons: matters of concern

Draft Report (Appointment of HM Chief Inspector of Prisons: matters of concern) 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 Fourteenth Report of the Committee, HC 1136.

5. Manorial Rights

Draft Special Report (Manorial Rights: Government Response to the Committee’s Fifth Report of Session 2014–15) proposed by the Chair, brought up, read the first and second time, and agreed to.

Resolved, That the Report be the Third Special Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chair make the Report to the House.
6. **Youth justice**

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence relating to *Youth justice* be reported to the House for publication on the internet: correspondence from Andrew Selous MP; correspondence from Lord McNally.

7. **Supplementary Estimates for 2014–15**

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence relating to *Supplementary Estimates for 2014–15* be reported to the House for publication on the internet: correspondence from the Ministry of Justice; corrigendum to the Ministry of Justice Estimates Memorandum; correspondence from the Serious Fraud Office.

8. **Committee working methods**

*Ordered*, That, subject to the discretion of the Chair, submissions to the Committee may be reported to the House for publication.¹

[The Committee adjourned.

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¹ Evidence reported to the House for publication on 25 March 2015 (Order of the Committee, 17 March 2015): correspondence from the Ministry of Justice relating to the appointment of HM Chief Inspectors of Prisons and Probation; correspondence from the Ministry of Justice relating to the Mid-Year Report 2014.