Monday 6 June 2016

Present:

Lord Carter of Coles
Baroness Smith of Basildon
Baroness Stowell of Beeston (Co-Chairman)
Lord Wallace of Tankerness
Chris Bryant
Neil Gray
Chris Grayling (Co-Chairman)
Ian Paisley
Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg
Mark Tami

Also present: James Bulley, Specialist Adviser

Apologies were received from Lord Deighton and Lord Laming.

Baroness Stowell of Beeston in the Chair.

1. **Restoration and Renewal of the Palace of Westminster**

   The Committee considered this matter.

   [Adjourned till Monday 13 June at 4.00pm]
Monday 13 June 2016

Present:

Lord Laming
Baroness Smith of Basildon
Baroness Stowell of Beeston (Co-Chairman)
Lord Wallace of Tankerness

Chris Bryant
Neil Gray
Chris Grayling (Co-Chairman)
Ian Paisley
Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg
Mark Tami

Apologies were received from Lord Carter of Coles and Lord Deighton.

Chris Grayling in the Chair.

1. Restoration and Renewal of the Palace of Westminster

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 28 June at 4.00pm

Tuesday 28 June 2016

Present:

Lord Carter of Coles
Lord Deighton
Baroness Smith of Basildon
Baroness Stowell of Beeston (Co-Chairman)
Lord Wallace of Tankerness

Chris Bryant
Neil Gray
Chris Grayling (Co-Chairman)
Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg
Mark Tami

Also present: James Bulley, Specialist Adviser

Apologies were received from Lord Laming and Ian Paisley.

Baroness Stowell of Beeston in the Chair.

1. Restoration and Renewal of the Palace of Westminster

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Monday 4 July at 4.00pm
Monday 4 July 2016

Present:

Lord Carter of Coles    Chris Bryant
Lord Deighton           Neil Gray
Lord Laming             Chris Grayling (Co-Chairman)
Baroness Smith of Basildon Ian Paisley
Baroness Stowell of Beeston (Co-Chairman) Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg
Lord Wallace of Tankerness Mark Tami

Also present: James Bulley, Specialist Adviser

Chris Grayling in the Chair.

1. Private briefing on the governance of the Restoration and Renewal Programme

The Committee held an informal briefing with:
- Ian Ailles, Director General, House of Commons
- David Beamish, Clerk of the Parliaments, House of Lords
- Richard Ware, Programme Director

[Adjourned till Monday 11 July at 4.00pm]

Monday 11 July 2016

Present:

Lord Deighton           Chris Bryant
Lord Laming             Neil Gray
Baroness Smith of Basildon Chris Grayling (Co-Chairman)
Baroness Stowell of Beeston (Co-Chairman) Ian Paisley
Lord Wallace of Tankerness Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg
Mark Tami

Apologies were received from Lord Carter of Coles.

Baroness Stowell of Beeston in the Chair.

1. Restoration and Renewal of the Palace of Westminster

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Thursday 14 July at 9.00am]
Thursday 14 July 2016

Present:

Lord Carter of Coles  Chris Bryant
Lord Laming  Neil Gray
Baroness Stowell of Beeston (Co-Chairman)  Chris Grayling (Co-Chairman)
Lord Wallace of Tankerness  Ian Paisley
Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg  Mark Tami

Also present: James Bulley, Specialist Adviser

Apologies were received from Lord Deighton and Baroness Smith of Basildon.

Chris Grayling in the Chair.

1. Restoration and Renewal of the Palace of Westminster

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Monday 18 July at 3.30pm

Monday 18 July 2016

Present:

Lord Carter of Coles  Chris Bryant
Lord Laming  Neil Gray
Baroness Smith of Basildon  Chris Grayling (Co-Chairman)
Baroness Stowell of Beeston (Co-Chairman)  Ian Paisley
Lord Wallace of Tankerness  Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg
Mark Tami

Apologies were received from Lord Deighton.

Baroness Stowell of Beeston in the Chair.

1. Restoration and Renewal of the Palace of Westminster

The Committee considered this matter.

[Adjourned till Monday 5 September at 4.00pm
Monday 5 September 2016

Present:

Lord Carter of Coles       Chris Bryant
Lord Deighton              Neil Gray
Lord Laming                Chris Grayling (Co-Chairman)
Baroness Smith of Basildon Ian Paisley
Baroness Stowell of Beeston (Co-Chairman) Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg
Lord Wallace of Tankerness Mark Tami

Also present: James Bulley, Specialist Adviser

Baroness Stowell of Beeston in the Chair.

1. Restoration and Renewal of the Palace of Westminster

Draft Report (Restoration and Renewal of the Palace of Westminster), proposed by the Chairmen, brought up and read.

Question proposed, That the draft Report be read a second time, paragraph by paragraph.

Amendment proposed, to leave out from “That” to the end and add “the Joint Committee declines to consider a draft Report until it has given full consideration to the possibility of constructing a permanent new Parliamentary building, while finding an alternative future use for the Palace of Westminster; notes that this option was included in the Pre-Feasibility Study and Preliminary Strategic Business Case published in October 2012 but was rejected by the House of Commons Commission and the House of Lords House Committee at that stage; and resolves to apply the same rigorous scrutiny to the possible construction of a new Parliamentary building as it has applied to the other options for delivering the Restoration and Renewal Programme, before making a recommendation about the best option for carrying out the works.” — (Neil Gray.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

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Ian Paisley
Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg
Baroness Smith of Basildon
Baroness Stowell of Beeston
Mark Tami
Lord Wallace of Tankerness
Amendment accordingly disagree to.

Ordered, That the draft Report be read a second time, paragraph by paragraph.

Paragraphs 1 to 318 read and agreed to.

Summary agreed to.

Appendices to the Report agreed to.

Resolved, That the Report be the Report of the Committee to both Houses.

Ordered, That Baroness Stowell of Beeston make the Report to the House of Lords and Chris Grayling make the Report to the House of Commons.

Written evidence was ordered to be reported.

Ordered, That embargoed copies of the Report be made available, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order No. 134 of the House of Commons.

[The Committee adjourned sine die]