

## ELECTION FOR CHAIRS OF SELECT COMMITTEES: RESULT

Nominations for chairs of the 27 elected select committees and the chair of the backbench business committee closed on Friday 7 July and elections were held by secret ballot on Wednesday 12 July 2017.

No ballot was necessary for 17 committees for which a single nomination had been received, as follows:

| <i>Committee:</i>                                       | <i>Elected:</i>       |
|---|-----------------------|
| <b>Culture, Media and Sport</b>                         | Damian Collins        |
| <b>Environmental Audit</b>                              | Mary Creagh           |
| <b>Exiting the European Union</b>                       | Hilary Benn           |
| <b>Health</b>   | Dr Sarah Wollaston    |
| <b>Home Affairs</b>                                     | Yvette Cooper         |
| <b>International Development</b>                        | Stephen Twigg         |
| <b>International Trade</b>                              | Angus Brendan MacNeil |
| <b>Justice</b>  | Robert Neill          |
| <b>Petitions</b>  | Helen Jones           |
| <b>Procedure</b>  | Mr Charles Walker     |
| <b>Public Accounts</b>                                  | Meg Hillier           |
| <b>Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs</b> | Mr Bernard Jenkin     |
| <b>Scottish Affairs</b>                                 | Pete Wishart          |
| <b>Standards</b>  | Sir Kevin Barron      |
| <b>Welsh Affairs</b>                                    | David T.C. Davies     |
| <b>Women and Equalities</b>                             | Mrs Maria Miller      |
| <b>Work and Pensions</b>                                | Frank Field           |

In the contested elections, a total of 587 ballot papers were submitted, the ballots being counted under the Alternative Vote system. The following candidates were elected:

| <i>Committee:</i>                               | <i>Elected:</i>    |
|---|--------------------|
| <b>Backbench Business</b>                       | Ian Mearns         |
| <b>Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy</b> | Rachel Reeves      |
| <b>Communities and Local Government</b>         | Clive Betts        |
| <b>Defence</b>                                  | Dr Julian Lewis    |
| <b>Education</b>                                | Robert Halfon      |
| <b>Environment, Food and Rural Affairs</b>      | Neil Parish        |
| <b>Foreign Affairs</b>                          | Tom Tugendhat      |
| <b>Northern Ireland Affairs</b>                 | Dr Andrew Murrison |
| <b>Science and Technology</b>                   | Norman Lamb        |
| <b>Transport</b>                                | Lilian Greenwood   |
| <b>Treasury</b>                                 | Nicky Morgan       |

The full breakdown of voting in each contest, indicating the votes attributable to each candidate after each redistribution of the votes of eliminated candidates, is set out in the tables below.

| <b>1. BACKBENCH BUSINESS</b> |                       |         |  | <b>Total 1<sup>st</sup> round<br/>valid votes:<br/>568</b> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|--|--|
|                              | 1 <sup>st</sup> round |         |  |  |
| Ian Mearns                   | 305                   | ELECTED |  |  |
| Angela Smith                 | 263                   |         |  |  |
| <i>Not redistributed</i>     | —                     |         |  |  |

| <b>2. BUSINESS, ENERGY AND INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY</b> |                       |                       |                       | <b>Total 1<sup>st</sup> round<br/>valid votes: 573</b> |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|
|  | 1 <sup>st</sup> round | 2 <sup>nd</sup> round | 3 <sup>rd</sup> round |  |
| Liam Byrne   | 149                   | 165                   |                       |  |
| Ian C. Lucas                                       | 50                    | -                     |                       |  |
| Albert Owen  | 97                    | 109                   |                       |  |
| Rachel Reeves                                      | 277                   | 291                   | ELECTED               |  |
| <i>Not redistributed</i>                           | —                     | 8                     |                       |  |

| <b>3. COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT</b> |                       |         |  | <b>Total 1<sup>st</sup> round<br/>valid votes: 564</b> |
|--|-----------------------|---------|--|--|
|  | 1 <sup>st</sup> round |         |  |  |
| Mr Clive Betts                             | 335                   | ELECTED |  |  |
| Mr David Lammy                             | 229                   |         |  |  |
| <i>Not redistributed</i>                   | —                     |         |  |  |

| <b>4. DEFENCE</b>        |                       |         |  | <b>Total 1<sup>st</sup> round<br/>valid votes: 570</b> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------|--|--|
|                          | 1 <sup>st</sup> round |         |  |  |
| Dr Julian Lewis          | 305                   | ELECTED |  |  |
| Johnny Mercer            | 265                   |         |  |  |
| <i>Not redistributed</i> | —                     |         |  |  |

| <b>5. EDUCATION</b>      |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       | <b>Total 1<sup>st</sup> round valid votes: 571</b> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|
|                          | 1 <sup>st</sup> round | 2 <sup>nd</sup> round | 3 <sup>rd</sup> round | 4 <sup>th</sup> round | 5 <sup>th</sup> round |  |
| Nick Boles               | 129                   | 137                   | 153                   | 178                   | 213                   |  |
| Rehman Chishti           | 33                    |                       |                       |                       |                       |  |
| Robert Halfon            | 136                   | 141                   | 152                   | 185                   | 261                   | ELECTED  |
| Tim Loughton             | 101                   | 104                   | 116                   |                       |                       |  |
| Stephen Metcalfe         | 63                    | 67                    |                       |                       |                       |  |
| Dr Dan Poulter           | 109                   | 112                   | 127                   | 155                   |                       |  |
| <i>Not redistributed</i> | -                     | 10                    | 23                    | 53                    | 97                    |  |

| <b>6. ENVIROMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS</b> |                       |                       |  | <b>Total 1<sup>st</sup> round valid votes: 568</b> |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
|  | 1 <sup>st</sup> round | 2 <sup>nd</sup> round |  |  |
| Zac Goldsmith                                | 107                   |                       |  |  |
| Neil Parish                                  | 324                   | ELECTED               |  |  |
| Bill Wiggin                                  | 137                   |                       |  |  |
| <i>Not redistributed</i>                     | —                     |                       |  |  |

| <b>7. FOREIGN AFFAIRS</b> |                       |                       |  | <b>Total 1<sup>st</sup> round valid votes: 572</b> |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
|                           | 1 <sup>st</sup> round | 2 <sup>nd</sup> round |  |  |
| Mr John Baron             | 71                    |                       |  |  |
| Crispin Blunt             | 184                   |                       |  |  |
| Tom Tugendhat             | 317                   | ELECTED               |  |  |
| <i>Not redistributed</i>  | —                     |                       |  |  |

| <b>8. NORTHERN IRELAND AFFAIRS</b> |                       |         |  | <b>Total 1<sup>st</sup> round valid votes: 530</b> |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|--|--|
|                                    | 1 <sup>st</sup> round |         |  |  |
| Nigel Mills                        | 200                   |         |  |  |
| Dr Andrew Murrison                 | 330                   | ELECTED |  |  |
| <i>Not redistributed</i>           | —                     |         |  |  |

| <b>9. SCIENCE &amp; TECHNOLOGY</b> |                       |         |  | <b>Total 1<sup>st</sup> round valid votes: 565</b> |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|--|--|
|                                    | 1 <sup>st</sup> round |         |  |  |
| Norman Lamb                        | 343                   | ELECTED |  |  |
| Jo Swinson                         | 222                   |         |  |  |
| <i>Not redistributed</i>           | —                     |         |  |  |

| <b>10. TRANSPORT</b>     |                       |                       |                       |                       | <b>Total 1<sup>st</sup> round valid votes: 575</b> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|
|                          | 1 <sup>st</sup> round | 2 <sup>nd</sup> round | 3 <sup>rd</sup> round | 4 <sup>th</sup> round |  |
| Geraint Davies           | 134                   | 144                   | 162                   |                       |  |
| Clive Efford             | 60                    | -                     | -                     | -                     |  |
| Lilian Greenwood         | 145                   | 164                   | 193                   | 233                   | ELECTED  |
| Bridget Phillipson       | 162                   | 171                   | 186                   | 225                   |  |
| Mr Gavin Shuker          | 74                    | 83                    |                       |                       |  |
| <i>Not redistributed</i> |                       | 13                    | 34                    | 117                   |  |

| <b>11. TREASURY</b>      |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       | <b>Total 1<sup>st</sup> round valid votes: 570</b> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|
|                          | 1 <sup>st</sup> round | 2 <sup>nd</sup> round | 3 <sup>rd</sup> round | 4 <sup>th</sup> round | 5 <sup>th</sup> round |  |
| Mr Richard Bacon         | 65                    | 71                    | 75                    |                       |                       |  |
| Charlie Elphicke         | 74                    | 82                    | 98                    | 114                   |                       |  |
| Stephen Hammond          | 32                    |                       |                       |                       |                       |  |
| Nicky Morgan             | 200                   | 207                   | 227                   | 254                   | 290                   | ELECTED  |
| John Penrose             | 63                    | 68                    |                       |                       |                       |  |
| Mr Jacob Rees-Mogg       | 136                   | 141                   | 160                   | 179                   | 226                   |  |
| <i>Not redistributed</i> |                       | 1                     | 10                    | 23                    | 54                    |  |