

How MPs voted on the Lords Amendments to the EU Withdrawal Bill



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SharAcross Tuesday 12th June and Wednesday 13th June, MPs voted on the Lords Amendments to the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill (see our briefing [here](#) for further details of what they were debating).

Below is a run down of the results of the 20 divisions:

TUESDAY 12TH JUNE

Amendment 110

Purpose: to give a parliamentary committee power to sift certain regulations introduced under the legislation to recommend whether they require further scrutiny peers.

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 324 votes to 302 (majority 22)

Rebels: Labour MPs **Frank Field** and **Graham Stringer** voted with the Government; no Conservative rebels

Amendment 128

Purpose: to create a more robust procedure for giving consent in respect of sifting secondary legislation

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 325 votes to 304 (majority 21)

Rebels: Labour MPs **Frank Field**, **Kate Hoey** and **Graham Stringer** voted with the Government; no Conservative rebels

Amendment 37

Purpose: to remove 29th March 2019 from the face of the Bill as Exit Day and make it subject to being appointed by secondary legislation

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 326 votes to 301 (majority 25)

Rebels: Labour MPs **Ronnie Campbell**, **Frank Field**, **Kate Hoey**, **John Mann** and **Graham Stringer** voted with the Government; Conservative MP **Ken Clarke** voted against the Government

Amendment 39

Purpose: related to Amendment 37 above and the removal of 29th March 2019 from the face of the Bill as Exit Day

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 324 votes to 302 (majority 22)

Rebels: Labour MPs **Frank Field**, **Kate Hoey** and **Graham Stringer** voted with the Government; Conservative MP **Ken Clarke** voted against the Government

Amendment 125

Purpose: to only allow an Exit Day to be appointed after approval from both Houses of Parliament

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 328 votes to 297 (majority 31)

Rebels: Labour MPs **Ronnie Campbell**, **Frank Field**, **Kate Hoey**, **John Mann**, **Dennis Skinner** and **Graham Stringer** voted with the Government; Conservative MP **Ken Clarke** voted against the Government

Amendment 19

Purpose: to force the government to re-negotiate its withdrawal agreement with the EU in the event of Parliament rejecting a Brexit deal, effectively enabling Parliament to delay, frustrate and ultimately reverse Brexit in a constitutionally unprecedented move

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 324 votes to 298 (majority 26)

Rebels: Labour MPs **Ronnie Campbell**, **Frank Field**, **Kate Hoey**, **John Mann** and **Graham Stringer** voted with the Government; Conservative MPs **Ken Clarke** and **Anna Soubry** voted against the Government

Amendment 52

Purpose: to remove ministers' ability to specify when individuals may bring challenges against the validity of retained EU law post-Brexit

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 326 votes to 301 (majority 25)

Rebels: Labour MPs **Frank Field**, **Kate Hoey** and **Graham Stringer** voted with the Government; no Conservative rebels

Amendment 10

Purpose: to raise the bar for using so-called "Henry VIII powers" from whenever "the Minister considers appropriate" to when it "is necessary"

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 320 votes to 305 (majority 15)

Rebels: Labour MP **Graham Stringer** voted with the Government; Conservative MP **Ken Clarke** voted against the Government

Amendment 43

Purpose: also to raise the bar for using so-called "Henry VIII powers" from whenever "the Minister considers appropriate" to when it "is necessary"

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 322 votes to 306 (majority 16)

Rebels: Labour MPs **Frank Field**, **Kate Hoey** and **Graham Stringer** voted with the Government; Conservative MPs **Ken Clarke** and **Anna Soubry** voted against the Government

Amendment 45

Purpose: yet again to raise the bar for using so-called "Henry VIII powers" from whenever "the Minister considers appropriate" to when it "is necessary"

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 317 votes to 306 (majority 11)

Rebels: No labour rebels; Conservative MPs **Ken Clarke** and **Anna Soubry** voted against the Government

Amendment 20

Purpose: to only allow ministers to make regulations regarding the implementation of the Withdrawal Agreement if Parliament has approved a mandate for negotiations about the UK's future relationship with the EU

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 321 votes to 305 (majority 16)

Rebels: Labour MPs **Frank Field** and **Graham Stringer** voted with the Government; Conservative MPs **Ken Clarke** and **Anna Soubry** voted against the Government

Amendments 15 to 17, 26 to 31, 46, 48 to 50, 54 to 101, 108, 109, 111, 114, 120, 129, 135, 141, 149, 151, 153, 155, 162, 165, 169, and 173 to 196

Purpose: to give ministers in the Government at Westminster the power to place restrictions – temporarily – on the ability of the devolved administrations to legislate in certain policy areas where powers are returning from the EU

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 321 votes to 40 (majority 281)

Rebels: Labour MP **Kate Hoey** voted with the Government while her colleague **Dennis Skinner** voted against the Government (the official Labour line being to abstain)

WEDNESDAY 13TH JUNE

Labour Amendment to Amendment 51

Purpose: to make it a negotiating objective for the UK to have full access to the single

market, with shared institutions and regulations, common standards and no new impediments to trade

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 322 votes to 240 (majority 82)

Rebels: None

Amendment 51

Purpose: to make it a negotiating objective for the UK to remain in the European Economic Area (EU Single Market)

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 327 votes to 126 (majority 201)

Rebels: 15 Labour MPs – **Sir Kevin Barron, Ronnie Campbell, Rosie Cooper, Frank Field, Jim Fitzpatrick, Caroline Flint, Mike Hill, Kate Hoey, Kevan Jones, John Mann, Dennis Skinner, Laura Smith, Gareth Snell, John Spellar and Graham Stringer** – defied the whip to abstain and voted with the Government. Tory MPs **Ken Clarke, Dominic Grieve and Anna Soubry** voted against the Government. And the following 75 Labour MPs (inclusive of one teller) defied the whip to abstain and voted for the amendment: **Rushanara Ali, Tonia Antoniazzi, Hilary Benn, Luciana Berger, Ben Bradshaw, Chris Bryant, Karen Buck, Richard Burden, Ruth Cadbury, Ann Coffey, Neil Coyle, Mary Creagh, Stella Creasy, Geraint Davies, Stephen Doughty, Rosie Duffield, Maria Eagle, Julie Elliott, Dame Louise Ellman, Paul Farrelly, Mike Gapes, Roger Godsiff, Kate Green, John Grogan, Helen Hayes, Meg Hillier, Dame Margaret Hodge, George Howarth, Rupa Huq, Darren Jones, Helen Jones, Susan Elan Jones, Liz Kendall, Ged Killen, Stephen Kinnock, Peter Kyle, David Lammy, Chris Leslie, Seema Malhotra, Kerry McCarthy, Siobhain McDonagh, Pat McFadden, Conor McGinn, Alison McGovern, Catherine McKinnell, Anna McMorrin, Madeleine Moon, Ian Murray, Albert Owen, Jess Phillips, Bridget Phillipson, Ellie Reeves, Rachel Reeves, Emma Reynolds, Joan Ryan, Virendra Sharma, Barry Sheerman, Gavin Shukar, Tulip Siddiq, Andy Slaughter, Angela Smith, Owen Smith, Alex Sobel, Jo Stevens, Wes Streeting, Gareth Thomas, Stephen Timms, Anna Turley, Chuka Umunna, Catherine West, Matt Western, Martin Whitfield, Paul Williams, Phil Wilson and Daniel Zeichner.** NB: Laura Smith resigned as a Shadow Cabinet Office Minister to defy the whip, while Tonia Antoniazzi, Rosie Duffield, Ged Killen, Anna McMorrin and Ellie Reeves resigned as PPSs in order to defy the whip.

Amendment 1

Purpose: to force the Government to negotiate a continued customs union with the EU

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 325 votes to 298 (majority 27)

Rebels: Labour MPs **Ronnie Campbell, Frank Field, Kate Hoey and Graham Stringer** voted with the Government. Tory MPs **Ken Clarke and Anna Soubry** voted against the Government.

Amendment 2

Purpose: also to force the Government to negotiate a continued customs union with the EU

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 326 votes to 296 (majority 30)

Rebels: Labour MPs **Ronnie Campbell, Frank Field, Kate Hoey, Dennis Skinner and Graham Stringer** voted with the Government. Tory MPs **Ken Clarke and Anna Soubry** voted against the Government.

Amendment 5

Purpose: to preserve the EU's Charter of Fundamental Rights in UK law after Brexit

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 321 votes to 301 (majority 20)

Rebels: Tory MP **Ken Clarke** voted against the Government

Amendment 53

Purpose: to retain the right of action in domestic law post-Brexit if there is a failure to comply with the general principles of EU law

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 320 votes to 297 (majority 23)

Rebels: Tory MP **Ken Clarke** voted against the Government

Amendment 4

Purpose: to require the Government to submit to an enhanced scrutiny procedure if amending or repealing EU law relating to issues such as health and safety or equality entitlements.

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 318 votes to 301 (majority 17)

Rebels: Tory MPs **Ken Clarke**, **Dominic Grieve** and **Anna Soubry** voted against the Government.

Amendment 3

Purpose: to oblige the government to maintain EU environmental principles and standards post-Brexit

Result: Rejected by the Commons by 320 votes to 296 (majority 24)

Rebels: None

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