

The Rwanda bill

I did not support the Rwanda bill in the Commons . It is a flawed draft in need of substantial revision.

I did not vote against it because I agree with the aim of the policy to stop illegal migration into the UK. The Opposition parties who voted against the measure want more legal migration.

I have made various suggestions to Ministers over how they could reduce illegal migration more rapidly. I want them to make cutting legal migration their priority to make a bigger impact on the pressures affecting housing and our public services.