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Questions for Answer on Monday 7 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Jamie Stone** (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what support the Government plans to provide to branches of the British Legion facing financial difficulties as a result of increases in energy costs. (131285)
[Transferred]
- 2 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the President of COP26, what recent discussions he has had with relevant stakeholders on the role of the food system in global emissions. (133986)
- 3 **Sir David Evennett** (Bexleyheath and Crayford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to support small business growth in (a) Bexley Borough, (b) Greater London and (c) England. (133943)
- 4 **Sir David Evennett** (Bexleyheath and Crayford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to improve social mobility. (133944)
- 5 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of charging empty high street properties additional business rates in the event that they do not allow local start-up businesses from utilising their space at a reduced cost. (134056)
- 6 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department will be taking to introduce an electrification first approach to homes that are off the gas grid. (134002)
- 7 **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what the difference has been in the amount of expected income to the Exchequer from the National Lottery and actual income so received in the most recent two rounds of the National Lottery for which such information is available. (134113)

- 8 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to help promote the take up of careers in teaching (a) humanities and (b) arts subjects. (134086)
- 9 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether the Government is taking steps to support local authorities to improve collection and storage of children's services data. (134075)
- 10 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much his Department spent in total on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 as of 28 February 2022; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133918)
- 11N **Alex Norris** (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking with the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy on ensuring that local skills improvement plans contribute to the UK's net zero targets. [Transferred] (133258)
- 12N **Alex Norris** (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to help ensure that all SMEs are able to offer t-Level placements across the UK. [Transferred] (133259)
- 13 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to encourage self-sufficiency in food production. (134087)
- 14 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much his Department spent in total on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 as of 28 February 2022; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133919)
- 15 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of trends in the levels of plant-based food consumption in the UK; and what assessment he has made of the way in which plant-based food consumption can support his Department's Outcome Delivery Plan. (133987)
- 16 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of plant-based foods as an alternative to meat-based products in the context of the forthcoming Food Strategy White Paper. (133988)
- 17 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, how much her Department spent in total on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 as of 28 February 2022; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133920)
- 18 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether she plans to appoint a UK Trade Envoy to Zimbabwe. [Transferred] (133292)
- 19 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what discussions her Department has had with the (a) Farmers Union of Wales and (b) National Union of Farmers in Wales about the contents of the UK trade deal with New Zealand. (134083)

- 20 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much his Department has spent on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 up to and including 28 February; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133921)
- 21 **Gordon Henderson** (Sittingbourne and Sheppey): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to help prevent the practice of people avoiding enforcement action by submitting repeated retrospective planning applications for the same development in the event that previous retrospective applications for that development have been refused. (133993)
- 22 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of Levelling Up funding on stimulating economic activity in Shrewsbury town centre. (133971)
- 23 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent assessment he has made of trends in the level of vacant units on high streets in England. [Transferred] (133229)
- 24 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of charging holiday lets an enhanced rate of council tax. (134057)
- 25 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will enable local authorities to levy a tax on people staying on vacation in short term holiday lets, B&Bs, guest houses or hotels. (134058)
- 26 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to ensure that local authorities have the resources they need to rebuild their high streets. (134059)
- 27 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will ensure that the Government undertakes a comprehensive review of local government finances and their requirements to deliver safe services for their areas ahead of the next Comprehensive Spending Review. (134060)
- 28 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking with the Department for Transport to ensure that transport planning is integrated in wider city planning to help tackle the climate crisis. (134061)
- 29N **Conor McGinn** (St Helens North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department is taking steps to establish a UK approved body to facilitate type testing for glass products to help manufacturers meet the deadline for transition to the UKCA marking. [Transferred] (132299)
- 30 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much levelling up funding has been allocated to each region in the UK, per capita. (134005)
- 31 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 17 January 2022 to Question 99347, on Community Ownership Fund, when he plans to publish an updated timetable for applications to the Community Ownership Fund. (134037)

- 32 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much his Department spent on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 up to and including 28 February; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133922)
- 33N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of the availability, by (a) green and (b) blue hydrogen, of hydrogen fuel sites capable of providing for hydrogen buses. [Transferred] (133309)
- 34N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what his Department's strategy is for rolling out hydrogen fuel infrastructure sites capable of sustaining hydrogen fuelled buses. [Transferred] (133310)
- 35 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what data his Department holds on the number of driving licence applications currently awaiting processing from applicants in (a) Cynon Valley constituency and (b) Rhondda Cynon Taff local authority. (134100)
- 36 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to reduce the delays in processing driving licence applications at the DVLA. (134101)
- 37 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to increase the number of telephone call handlers at the DVLA to reduce telephone enquiry waiting times. (134102)
- 38 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what data his Department holds on the average telephone contact waiting time for driving licence application enquiries at the DVLA in the last six months. (134103)
- 39 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what data his Department holds on the number of full time equivalent staff employed to (a) process driving licence applications and (b) deal with driving licence application enquiries, including those employed in call centres, by or on behalf of the DVLA in each year since 2010. (134104)
- 40 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to reduce unemployment rates across the West Midlands. (134085)
- 41 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much her Department spent on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 up to and including 28 February; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133923)
- 42N **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential effect of a rise in inflation on levels of child poverty in (a) Bristol North West constituency and (b) the UK. [Transferred] (133254)
- 43 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made on the impact of not uprating benefits in line with inflation on the incomes of households in receipt of universal credit following reductions to that benefit in 2021. [Transferred] (133168)

- 44N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made on the impact of not uprating benefits in line with inflation on levels of child poverty in Newcastle upon Tyne Central. [Transferred] (133169)
- 45 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the level of overpayment of housing benefit in each year since 2019. [Transferred] (133186)
- 46 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what alternatives are available to universal credit claimants who do not have the currently requested identity documents to make and verify their claims. (134105)
- 47 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether people claiming legacy benefits face limitations on time they may spend volunteering, whilst they meet the conditions for receiving their payments. (134106)
- 48 **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 23 February 2022 to Question 125137 on Coronavirus: Screening, what number of validated PCR tests is in use in the NHS. [R] (133999)
- 49 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department spent on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 up to and including 28 February; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133924)
- 50 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government is taking to improve ambulance response times in the Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group area. (134032)
- 51 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has asked the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation to provide advice on the use of the Novavax covid-19 vaccine in the UK vaccination programme. (134034)
- 52 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when his Department expects to receiving supply of the Novavax covid-19 vaccine. (134035)
- 53 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he has taken to ensure that all DNR notices put in place during the pandemic in Darlington have now been removed. (134088)
- 54 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to raise awareness of the early signs and symptoms of cholangiocarcinoma. (134091)
- 55 **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much of his Department's budget is planned to be allocated to funding covid-19 community testing and surveillance studies. (133951)

- 56 **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 3 March 2022 to Question 131118, on what date further advice will be given to people who are clinically vulnerable, clinically extremely vulnerable and immunocompromised eligible for free covid-19 lateral flow tests beyond 1 April 2022. (133954)
- 57 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what effect the Hospitals Transformation Programme will have on the treatment of trauma patients. (133963)
- 58 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many hours and minutes a week on average there are no ambulances available to respond to 999 calls in Shropshire. (133964)
- 59 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment has been made of the potential merits of a county ambulance service for Shropshire that is not part of the regional ambulance service. (133965)
- 60 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of changes in ambulance response times from 2005 to 2021 following Shropshire becoming part of the regional ambulance service in 2005. (133966)
- 61 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the vacancy rate in the NHS is for (a) doctors, (b) nurses, (c) midwives, (d) other clinicians, (e) healthcare assistants, (f) other patient facing staff and (g) all staff; and what plans he has to fill those vacancies; and if he will make a statement. (133975)
- 62 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to make the new single test for detecting risk of four cancers in women available on the NHS. (134004)
- 63 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to support unpaid carers with rises in energy costs. (134043)
- 64 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the impact of the rise in energy prices on care providers. (134044)
- 65 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate his Department has made of the number of care providers that are experiencing covid-19 outbreaks as of 3 March 2022. (134045)
- 66 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that covid-19 isolation requirements for residents of care homes are in line with national guidelines. (134046)
- 67 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the timetable is for the (a) publication and (b) delivery of the Government's new national dementia strategy. (134047)
- 68 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what budget his Department has allocated for the delivery of the Government's new national dementia strategy. (134048)

- 69 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent progress his Department has made on its work on the Government's new national dementia strategy; and if he will make a statement. (134049)
- 70 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to Skills for Care's report, The state of the adult social care sector and workforce in England 2021, what steps he is taking to ensure that care workers are paid a fair rate following the finding in that report that workers at the Care Quality Commission's lowest scoring care establishments had a lower average rate of pay than those with the highest scores. (134050)
- 71 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of carers received paid support from local authorities in each year between 2010 and 2020. (134051)
- 72 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of social care assessment beds available to people on discharge from hospital. (134052)
- 73 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate he has made of the number of people waiting for social care. (134053)
- 74 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to determine fair and sustainable costs of care, in the event that there is significant cost variation among local authorities conducting a cost of care exercise. (134054)
- 75 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps she is taking with her European counterparts to impose sanctions on Russian oil and gas. (134081)
- 76 **Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the political situation in Tunisia. (134000)
- 77 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much her Department spent on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 up to and including 28 February; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133925)
- 78 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps she is taking support the Governments of (a) Poland, (b) Slovakia, (c) Hungary, (d) Romania and (e) Moldova to assist with accommodating refugees from Ukraine following the Russian invasion of that country. (133969)
- 79 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether her Department has the capability to issue emergency travel documents for travel to the UK to eligible persons in Ukraine via electronic means; and if she will make a statement. (133977)
- 80 **Sir Geoffrey Cox** (Torridge and West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her Department's policy is on ensuring that those who assisted UK efforts in Afghanistan are referred to the Afghan Citizens Resettlement

- Scheme; and what assessment she has made of the potential merits of expanding the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy to include applicants who were not directly employed by UK armed forces. (133955)
- 81 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much her Department spent on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 up to and including 28 February; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133927)
- 82 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of introducing a path to permanent UK residency for Hong Kong citizens who have studied at and graduated from UK universities. (134033)
- 83 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of introducing an expedited process for family members of EU/EEA Nationals awaiting decisions on applications to the EU Settlement Scheme to match the announced introduction of an expedited decision-making process for family members of UK nationals. (134116)
- 84 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 28 February 2022 to Question 125081, on Afghanistan: Refugees, and with reference to the announcement of the opening of the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme on 6 January 2022; how many Afghan nationals have been resettled from each of the three referral pathways of that scheme with figures for the number resettled in the UK from (a) within the UK, (b) third party countries and (c) within Afghanistan. (133976)
- 85 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her Department's target processing time for the Ukraine Family Scheme visa will be. (133978)
- 86 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether undocumented Ukrainian nationals will be able to make an online application to the Ukraine Family Scheme. (133979)
- 87 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by what date her Department plans to (a) publish details of the Local Sponsorship Scheme for Ukraine and (b) open that scheme for applications. (133980)
- 88 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many staff in her Department have been surged to visa application centres in the (a) Ukraine region and (b) neighbouring countries to support visa processing. (133981)
- 89 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether UK visa applications agreed for Ukrainian nationals in principle but which could not be collected from the British Embassy in Kyiv before the Russian invasion can be collected from a UK Embassy in another country; whether she is holding discussions with relevant transport operators to ensure that people with positive visa decisions who have not been able to get passports stamped due to violence in Ukraine will be given permission to board (a) flights and (b) other modes of transport to travel to the UK to take up their visas; and if she will make a statement. (133982)

- 90 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what consideration she is giving to changing visa requirements for travel to the UK to enable Russian nationals who are critical of President Putin and who have family ties to UK nationals to come to the UK for their safety; and if she will make a statement. (133983)
- 91 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to issue electronic documentation to enable people with the right to come to the UK from Ukraine to travel to the UK; and if she will make a statement. (133984)
- 92 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps to encourage (a) landlords and owners of (i) holiday let and (ii) second home owners to make their properties available to incoming refugees. [Transferred] (133219)
- 93 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many businesses have failed to comply with civil injunctions issued by the High Court for noncompliance with Part 6 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 in each year since 2015; and what fines were issued in each instance. (133960)
- 94 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Leader of the House, how much his Department spent on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 up to and including 28 February; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133931)
- 95 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much his Department spent on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 up to and including 28 February; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133928)
- 96 **Sir Peter Bottomley** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, to review the conduct of Richard Davidoff in his role as a court appointed managing agent. (133912)
- 97 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much his Department spent on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 up to and including 28 February; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133929)
- 98 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, why easy read materials for his Department's consultation on Human Rights Act Reform were only released 12 days before the consultation was scheduled to end. (134089)
- 99 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that easy read materials are released for consultations in a timely manner. (134090)
- 100 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what extradition procedures are in place with Spain to enable the return of suspects to the UK to face trial. (134001)
- 101 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to ensure that rape victims are not subjected to cross-examination on their rape case in court hearings on unrelated matters; and what recourse would be available to rape victims in such circumstances. (134066)

- 102 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, how much his Department spent on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 up to and including 28 February; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133930)
- 103 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much his Department spent on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 up to and including 28 February; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133926)
- 104 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the impact of business rates on the wellbeing of high streets. [Transferred] (133227)
- 105 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to reform business rates. [Transferred] (133228)
- 106 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to review the VAT regime for electricity, in order to support electric vehicle uptake. (134063)
- 107 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of regulatory checks on buy now pay later apps including Clearpay and Klarna. [Transferred] (133183)
- 108 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will allocate additional funding in Barnett consequentials to help ensure that prisons throughout the UK meet their obligations under UN guidelines. (134008)
- 109 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 28 February 2022 to Question 125543, on Mortgages, what estimate he has made of the total number of lifetime mortgage customers who could benefit from switching to plans on lower interest rates but have not yet done so. (134093)
- 110 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking to specifically support the recovery of public houses, within the hospitality sector, from the impact of the covid-19 outbreak. (134098)
- 111 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he will take to review the impact of measures undertaken to support the recovery of public houses, within the hospitality sector, from the impact of the covid-19 outbreak. (134099)
- 112 **Christina Rees** (Neath): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, on what date the Government will release funding for the Global Centre for Rail Excellence in Wales. (134068)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 8 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Attorney General, how much her Department spent in total on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 as of 28 February 2022; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133914)

- 2N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Attorney General, how many offences have been recorded under the Modern Slavery Act 2015 in each year since 2015; and how many of those offences led to a (a) prosecution and (b) conviction. (133958)
- 3N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Attorney General, what assessment she has made of (a) the current capacity available and (b) the additional resources required for the Crown Prosecution Service to prosecute the new offences that will be established in the Economic Crime (Transparency and Enforcement) Bill. (133961)
- 4N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Attorney General, which of the Crown Prosecution Service's dedicated divisions for (a) international justice and organised crime, (b) special crime and counter terrorism and (c) specialist fraud will be responsible for prosecuting the new offences that will be established in the Economic Crime (Transparency and Enforcement) Bill. (133962)
- 5N **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, which Government Department is administering medical and humanitarian aid to Ukraine; and if he will provide information on how a company in Congleton constituency can make direct and urgent contact with the relevant Department on that matter. (133985)
- 6N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much his Department spent in total on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 as of 28 February 2022; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133915)
- 7N **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the report titled Auctions for allocation of offshore wind contracts for difference in the UK, published in February 2019, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the finding by Oxford Institute for Energy Studies that auction strike prices are unlikely to be indicative of underlying costs for renewable generators. [R] (133994)
- 8N **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment has he made of the relative seismicity of geothermal energy extraction and shale gas extraction through fracking. [R] (133995)
- 9N **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the effects of increasing wind penetration in the electricity system on the capacity factor of gas-fired power stations. [R] (133996)
- 10N **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessments he has made of the effects of a reduced capacity factor on the levelised cost of gas-fired power stations. [R] (133997)
- 11N **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the effects of increasing wind penetration in the electricity system on market prices. [R] (133998)
- 12N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much his Department spent in total on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 as of 28 February 2022; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133916)

- 13N **Mr Richard Holden** (North West Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer to Question 129263 on Energy: Prices, for what reason there is not a moratorium on fracking for oil. (134107)
- 14N **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department plans to take to ensure that households on pay as you go meter tariffs will receive the £200 energy bill discount. (134071)
- 15N **Conor McGinn** (St Helens North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to help (a) the UK glass industry and (b) other energy-intensive industries meet the challenges of rising wholesale energy costs. (134055)
- 16N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, how much her Department spent in total on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 as of 28 February 2022; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133917)
- 17N **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, on how many occasions she or her predecessor, or Ministers or senior civil servants of her Department, met with Camelot representatives in the last 12 months. (134111)
- 18N **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what the difference has been in the amount of projected funds raised for good causes by the National Lottery and actual funds so raised in the most recent bid period for which such information is available. (134112)
- 19N **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what protections have been put in place by the National Lottery operator to prevent under-18 year olds from playing National Lottery games online, since the new minimum age restrictions for the playing of such games online came into force in April 2021. (134114)
- 20N **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what the contribution was to good causes from each pound spent on National Lottery games in (a) 2010 and (b) 2021; and what total amount in contributions to good causes was so raised in each of those years. (134115)
- 21N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he plans to take steps to ensure there is sufficient availability of English for Speakers of Other Languages teaching provision to support people who arrive in the UK as refugees and asylum seekers from Ukraine. (133991)
- 22N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will issue guidance to (a) nurseries and other childcare contexts, (b) schools, (c) colleges, and (d) universities, on welcoming and supporting children and young people who are refugees and asylum seekers from Ukraine. (133992)
- 23N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to his Department's statistics on children's social work workforce, published on 24 February 2022, what steps he plans to take in response to those statistics that demonstrate an increase in the shortage of children's social workers. (134092)

- 24N **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 1 March 2022 to Question 129231, on Land Drainage, when the first meeting of the advisory group was held; and whether a date has been set for the next meeting of that group. (134074)
- 25N **Joanna Cherry** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what assessment he has made of the impact of (a) trade rules implemented following the UK's departure from the EU and (b) rules on sending charitable donations of goods to EU countries on the number of shipments of humanitarian aid from the UK to EU countries, such as Greece and Poland. (134030)
- 26N **Joanna Cherry** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what immediate steps the Government is taking to provide urgent technical expertise to UK charities seeking to send shipments of humanitarian aid to EU countries to ensure they are not affected by customs restrictions imposed following the UK's departure from the EU. (134031)
- 27N **Colum Eastwood** (Foyle): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, for what reason Russian Federation cargo has not been sanctioned following the implementation of sanctions on Russian Federation vessels as a result of the invasion of Ukraine. (134110)
- 28N **Ian Blackford** (Ross, Skye and Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when the Civil Aviation Authorities Siren notification concerning the NOTAM issued on 25 February 2022 at 21:00 GMT was communicated to all UK airports. (134025)
- 29N **Ian Blackford** (Ross, Skye and Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when the Civil Aviation Authorities Siren notification concerning the NOTAM issued on 25 February 2022 at 21:00 GMT was communicated to Highlands and Islands Airport. (134026)
- 30N **Ian Blackford** (Ross, Skye and Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if his Department will investigate whether the NATS Centre at Prestwick gave authorisation for a private jet to travel from Highlands and Islands Airport to Moscow on 26 February 2022; and if he will make an assessment of the compatibility of that authorisation with the NOTAM issued on the 25 February 2022 at 21:00 GMT. (134027)
- 31N **Ian Blackford** (Ross, Skye and Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many flights in the UK have been given air traffic control authorisation to travel to a destination in the Russian Federation since the issuing of the NOTAM on the 25 February 2022 at 21:00 GMT. (134028)
- 32N **Ian Blackford** (Ross, Skye and Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether a private or chartered aircraft registered in a third country other than the Russian Federation is prevented from travelling to the Russian Federation under the terms of the NOTAM issued on the 25 February 2022 at 21:00 GMT. (134029)
- 33N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 21 February 2022 to Question 121721, on Shipping: Training, what the total number of months of ratings training that companies completed in (a) 2019-20, (b) 2020-21 and (c) 2021-22 was. (133989)
- 34N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 21 February 2022 to Question 121721, on Shipping: Training, how many qualifying groups or companies trained Ratings in order to meet the Minimum Training Obligation in (a) 2019-20, (b) 2020-21 and (c) 2021-22. (133990)

- 35N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many safeguarding leaders her Department has appointed. (134018)
- 36N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of work coaches have received mental health training. (134019)
- 37N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many of her Department's customer facing staff have received mental health training. (134020)
- 38N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 23 February 2022 to Question 125365 on Maternity Allowance, and with reference to the Benefit expenditure and caseload tables published by her Department, what assessment she has made of reasons for the absence of a decline in the Statutory Maternity Pay caseload over the period in which the number of grants of Maternity Allowance to employed women has fallen by 45 per cent. (134067)
- 39 **Adam Afriyie** (Windsor): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the implications of his policies of the findings of the Research Report entitled Estimating the Harms of Nicotine-Containing Products Using the MCDA , by Professor David Nutt and others, published in European Addiction Research, ref 20:218-225, that using snus causes only 5 percent of the harm of smoking cigarettes. (133973)
- 40 **Adam Afriyie** (Windsor): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make a comparative assessment of prevalence of oral cancer amongst (a) South Asian women and (b) the adult population; and if his department will make an assessment of the potential merits of creating a product standard for chewed tobacco products as recommended in the 2006 study entitled Levels of toxins in oral tobacco products in the UK published in the journal Tobacco Control, volume 15, issue 1. (133974)
- 41N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has plans to update the Clinical Practice Guidance for the Assessment of Young Women aged 20-24 with Abnormal Vaginal Bleeding from 2010. [R] (134078)
- 42N **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure continuity in NHS midwifery care. (134080)
- 43N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department spent on free lateral flow tests in January 2022. (133949)
- 44N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department spent on free covid-19 testing in January 2022, broken down by test type. (133950)
- 45N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish the (a) name and (b) proportion of the £50 million funding for research into long-covid of each study that will be supported by that funding. (133953)

- 46N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of legacy arrangements for dental services arising from contracts passing from primary care trusts to NHS England. (134013)
- 47N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of patients access to dental services in (a) the Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council area, (b) the South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority area and (c) England. [R] (134014)
- 48N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has plans to review the Primary Care National Contract for Dentistry to increase its flexibility for (a) the commissioner (b) the provider. (134015)
- 49N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the impact of existing dentistry procurement rules on dental practices' ability to change commissioning arrangements. (134016)
- 50N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to provide additional financial support to tackle pressures in dentistry in areas with high levels of population growth. (134017)
- 51N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate his Department has made of the monthly cost of covid-19 lateral flow device testing for a person visiting a care home resident on a daily basis once mass free testing has ended. (134038)
- 52N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of ending the provision of free covid-19 lateral flow device tests for residential care home visitors. (134039)
- 53N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the cost of removing free covid-19 lateral flow device tests for care providers and their staff. (134040)
- 54N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the cost of removing free covid-19 lateral flow device tests on unpaid carers. (134041)
- 55N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the impact of removing the requirement for self-isolation for people with a positive covid-19 diagnosis on the health of people with long-term conditions at a high risk from covid-19. (134042)
- 56N **Olivia Blake** (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps her Department plans to take support transgender and non-binary Ukrainian overcome barriers preventing them from leaving Ukraine safely. (134118)
- 57N **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the impact of the continued invasion of Ukraine on food security in low and middle income countries. (134079)

- 58N **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to provide UK citizens with expert volunteer humanitarian assistance in (a) Ukraine, (b) Poland, (c) Slovakia, (d) Romania and (e) Hungary. (133945)
- 59N **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people have changed the sex marker on their UK passport in each year since 2005. (134072)
- 60N **Olivia Blake** (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she plans to take to support transgender and non-binary Ukrainian refugees to find refuge in the UK. (134117)
- 61N **Olivia Blake** (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she (a) plans to take to support transgender and non-binary Ukrainian refugees overcome barriers preventing them from leaving Ukraine safety and (b) is taking to support transgender and non-binary Ukrainians to seek refuge in the UK. (134119)
- 62N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the oral Statement of 1 March 2022, Official Report, column 915, what charges people coming to the United Kingdom from Ukraine on a visitor visa are required to pay to transfer to a (a) family visa or (b) skilled worker visa. (133938)
- 63N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the oral Statement of 1 March 2022, Official Report, column 915, whether family members normally resident in Ukraine are eligible to apply to the Ukraine Family Scheme if their relative in the UK is a (a) non British National, including Ukrainian citizens, with Indefinite Leave to Remain, (b) non British National on a work or study visa and (c) non British National on a visitor visa. (133939)
- 64N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the oral Statement of 1 March 2022, Official Report, column 915, what happens to people coming to the United Kingdom from Ukraine if their visitor visa has expired and who do not qualify for a family visa or a skilled worker visa. (133940)
- 65N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the oral Statement of 1 March 2022, Official Report, column 915, whether the Government plans to provide financial support for partner organisations which sponsor people fleeing Ukraine through the humanitarian sponsorship pathway. (133941)
- 66N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the oral Statement of 1 March 2022, Official Report, column 915, whether the (a) aunts and uncles and (b) unaccompanied nieces and nephews of people living in the UK are eligible to come to the UK from Ukraine via a family migration visa. (133942)
- 67N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she received the letter from hon. Members from Greater Manchester headed Supporting Refugees and Asylum Seekers in Greater Manchester, sent on 12 November 2021; and when she plans to reply to that letter. (133952)

- 68N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of civil injunctions on compliance with Part 6 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 in each year since 2015. (133956)
- 69N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of making noncompliance with Part 6 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 a criminal offence. (133957)
- 70N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many civil injunctions have been (a) sought and (b) issued against businesses through the High Court for noncompliance with Part 6 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 in each year since 2015. (133959)
- 71N **Anne McLaughlin** (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will extend the deadline for his Department's consultation, Human Rights Act Reform: A Modern Bill of Rights, in response to the delay in publishing a full easy read version of that document. (134036)
- 72N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what plans his Department has in place to reduce the number of hours inmates are locked in their cells following the easing of covid-19 restrictions. (134021)
- 73N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to increase the retention rate of experienced prison officers. (134022)
- 74N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many places will be created by building of additional housing blocks at HMPs (a) Bullingdon, (b) Channings Wood, (c) Elmley, (d) Highpoint, (e) Hindley, (f) Wayland, (g) Guys Marsh and (h) Stocken; and if he will publish a timetable for completion of those blocks. (134023)
- 75N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department holds data on the average waiting time before callers speak to call handlers at the probate service in each of the last five years. (134024)
- 76N **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 25 February 2022 to Question 121681, on Coronavirus: Disease Control, what recent discussions he has had with the Crown Prosecution Service on their investigation into fines which were wrongly handed down to people for alleged breaches of covid-19 restrictions; and if he will make a statement. (133934)
- 77N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Prime Minister, how much his Department spent in total on social media advertising in (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021 and (d) 2022 as of 28 February 2022; and on which platforms that money was spent. (133913)
- 78N **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the impact of (a) the repayable £200 discount and (b) other measures introduced to support energy consumers on disabled people. (134012)
- 79N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will remove VAT on purchases of defibrillators by individuals irrespective of where they are purchased in the UK. (133946)

- 80N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will postpone restrictions on the use of red diesel from April 2022 in the context of recent and forthcoming increases in the cost of living. (133947)
- 81N **James Murray** (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer to the Question 129258 on Health and Social Care Levy, if he will publish all internal analysis carried out by (a) his Department and (b) HMRC which supports the statement in the Tax Information and Impact Note for the Health and Social Care Levy that there may be an impact on family formation, stability or breakdown as individuals, who are currently just about managing financially, will see their disposable income reduce. (134094)
- 82N **James Murray** (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimates he has made of the costs to business of (a) the introduction of the Health and Social Care Levy from April 2023 and (b) the transitional increase to the main and additional rates of National Insurance contributions in 2022-23 arising from (i) familiarisation with the changes, (ii) updating software or systems, and (iii) updating employee payroll records. (134095)
- 83N **James Murray** (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate he has made of the cost to payroll software providers of (a) the introduction of the Health and Social Care Levy from April 2023 and (b) the transitional increase to the main and additional rates of National Insurance contributions in 2022-23 arising from the (i) familiarisation with the changes and (ii) updating software or systems. (134096)
- 84N **James Murray** (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate he has made of the cost to HMRC of (a) the introduction of the Health and Social Care Levy from April 2023 and (b) the transitional increase to the main and additional rates of National Insurance contributions in 2022-23 arising from (i) changes to HMRC's IT systems and (ii) extra staff to support customers and ensure compliance with the new system. (134097)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 9 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if the Extra Costs Taskforce established in the National Disability Strategy will recommend measures to address the disproportional impact of increased fuel and food prices on disabled consumers. (134010)
- 2N **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the (a) balance of and (b) level of input from (i) Open Society Foundation and (ii) other NGOs on BBC World's coverage of (A) Poland and (B) Hungary. (133972)
- 3N **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 29 April 2021 to Question 175773, if she will publish the list of 39 UK products among the 77 provided to the Japanese authorities on 30 April 2021 that are not currently going through Japan's procedures for the designation of geographical indications; and what estimate she has made of when those 39 products will start going through those procedures. (133932)

- 4N **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, pursuant to the answer of 29 April 2021 to Question 175773, who was responsible for deciding which 38 UK products among the 77 provided to the Japanese authorities on 30 April 2021 should go through Japan's procedures for the designation of geographical indications during the first tranche; and how those decisions were made. (133933)
- 5N **Mr Richard Holden** (North West Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps local authorities can take to efficiently remove dangerous trees that are subject to Tree Protection Orders. (134109)
- 6N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to figures from the Electoral Commission released on 2 March 2022 recording the Conservative Party received £80,000 from Lubov Chernukhin in the last quarter, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of donations to political parties. (134084)
- 7N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the Government has produced an impact assessment on the setting of UK limits for particulate matter and nitrogen dioxide levels above those in WHO guidance. (134069)
- 8N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent estimate he has made of the number of local authorities that have areas with levels of particulate matter and nitrogen dioxide that are above (a) UK limits and (b) WHO guidance. (134070)
- 9N **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether the Extra Costs Taskforce will report as scheduled by summer 2022. (134009)
- 10N **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the public update by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman of 18 February 2022 regarding its investigation into the way her Department communicated changes to women's State Pension age, whether her Department has submitted the evidence requested by the Ombudsman. (134073)
- 11N **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether her Department has received any representations from the Open Society Foundation on the governments of (a) Poland and (b) Hungary. (133967)
- 12N **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the British embassies in Warsaw and Budapest have made representations to the governments of Poland and Hungary regarding information provided by the Open Society Foundation. (133968)
- 13N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average time for scheduling of an asylum substantive interview was over the past five years. [R] (134076)
- 14N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to make decisions on asylum claims that are older than three years. [R] (134077)

- 15N **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what review is being undertaken of the development of a new Main Battle Tank to replace Challenger 2 in response to the deployment of Russian armour in Ukraine. (133970)
- 16N **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has carried out an equality impact assessment of the measures he has introduced to support energy consumers. (134011)
- 17N **Mr Richard Holden** (North West Durham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate he has made of the amount of income tax relief that would fall on the 18 to 21 age group in the event that the auto-enrolment of pensions was extended to that age group. (134108)

Oral Questions to the Prime Minister

- 1 **Mrs Pauline Latham** (Mid Derbyshire): If he will list his official engagements for Wednesday 9 March. (905967)
- 2 **Nicola Richards** (West Bromwich East): (905968)
- 3 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): (905969)
- 4 **Jack Brereton** (Stoke-on-Trent South): (905970)
- 5 **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): (905971)
- 6 **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): (905972)
- 7 **David Johnston** (Wantage): (905973)
- 8 **Julian Smith** (Skipton and Ripon): (905974)
- 9 **John Stevenson** (Carlisle): (905975)
- 10 **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): (905976)
- 11 **Mr Richard Holden** (North West Durham): (905977)
- 12 **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll and Bute): (905978)
- 13 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): (905979)
- 14 **David Warburton** (Somerton and Frome): (905980)
- 15 **Paul Holmes** (Eastleigh): (905981)
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 10 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the number of electric vehicle charging points available for public use in Birmingham. (133935)
- 2N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to improve access to electric vehicle charging points for public use in Birmingham. (133936)
- 3N **Sir Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many classic vehicles have had their V5 documents rescinded by the DVLA; and whether his Department has plans to take steps in response to that matter. (133948)
- 4N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of continuing to provide free covid-19 lateral flow testing for (a) clinically extremely vulnerable people, (b) their immediate relatives and (c) household members beyond April 2022. (134062)
- 5N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people aged (a) 14 to 16 and (b) 16 to 18 hold gun licences. (134082)
- 6N **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate he has made of the number of rape victims who have not had their (a) right to anonymity and (b) rights under the Code of Practice for Victims of Crime, including enhanced rights for intimidated witnesses, upheld; for what reason those rights have not been upheld; and what steps he is taking to ensure that those rights are upheld and reinstated after they have been breached. (134064)
- 7N **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate he has made of the number of rape victims who do not report crimes because of (a) poor handling and (b) breaches of anonymity in previous cases; and what steps he is taking to improve that situation for victims. (134065)
- 8N **Mr David Davis** (Haltemprice and Howden): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether there is a statutory basis for HMRC's policy to promote among employers the use of statements on payslips supporting the National Insurance contributions rise in April 2022. (133937)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

- 1 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): Whether his Department plans to monitor levels of toxic air pollution around schools. (905982)
- 2 **Damien Moore** (Southport): What steps his Department is taking to support biodiversity and rewilding in local urban communities. (905983)
- 3 **Richard Fuller** (North East Bedfordshire): What progress his Department has made on introducing Extended Producer Responsibility. (905984)

- 4 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): If he will hold discussions with the Secretary of State for International Trade on the potential effect on farmers and crofters in the Highlands and Islands of the UK-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement. [R] (905985)
- 5 **Stephen Metcalfe** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): What steps he is taking to tackle waste crime. (905986)
- 6 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): What recent assessment his Department has made of the impact of food price rises on household budgets. (905987)
- 7 **Peter Aldous** (Waveney): What steps he is taking to support coastal communities. (905988)
- 8 **Jane Hunt** (Loughborough): What steps he is taking to support livestock farmers. (905989)
- 9 **David Johnston** (Wantage): What steps he is taking to support livestock farmers. (905990)
- 10 **Marco Longhi** (Dudley North): What steps he is taking to tackle waste crime. (905991)
- 11 **Kate Osborne** (Jarrow): What recent assessment his Department has made of the impact of food price rises on household budgets. (905992)
- 12 **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): What assessment his Department has made of the impact on pollinators of the recent emergency authorisation of the use of neonicotinoid pesticides. (905993)
- 13 **Anna Firth** (Southend West): What steps he is taking to support coastal communities. (905994)
- 14 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): What steps he is taking to improve water quality. (905995)
- 15 **Nick Gibb** (Bognor Regis and Littlehampton): What recent discussions he has had with representatives of Southern Water on sewage discharges in West Sussex. (905996)
- 16 **Caroline Ansell** (Eastbourne): What steps he is taking to support coastal communities. (905997)
- 17 **Huw Merriman** (Bexhill and Battle): What steps he is taking to support coastal communities. (905998)
- 18 **Aaron Bell** (Newcastle-under-Lyme): What recent assessment he has made of the effect on the local community of the odorous emissions from the site operation of Walley's Quarry in Newcastle-under-Lyme. (905999)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

- T1 **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (906000)
- T2 **Andy Carter** (Warrington South): (906001)
- T3 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): (906002)
- T4 **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): (906003)
- T5 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): (906004)

- T6 **Tom Randall** (Gedling): (906005)
- T7 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): [R] (906006)
- T8 **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): (906007)

Oral Questions to the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, the hon. Member for Broxbourne, representing the House of Commons Commission, the hon. Member for Alyn and Deeside representing the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body, the Chairman of the Public Accounts Commission and the hon. Member for City of Chester, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission

- 1 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the hon. Member for City of Chester, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, what recent assessment the Commission has made of the due diligence requirements for donations to political parties from individuals and companies with links to the Russian Government. (905955)
- 2 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the hon. Member for Broxbourne, representing the House of Commons Commission, what plans there are for more artworks featuring historic female figures to be placed on the parliamentary estate. (905956)
- 3 **Caroline Ansell** (Eastbourne): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what role the Church of England has in supporting the global summit to promote freedom of religion or belief, to be hosted by the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office in July 2022. (905957)
- 4 **Felicity Buchan** (Kensington): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church of England is taking to support the people of Ukraine. (905958)
- 5 **Dr Lisa Cameron** (East Kilbride, Strathaven and Lesmahagow): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what support the Church of England is providing to family hubs. (905959)
- 6 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church of England is taking to ensure that the Warroch Hill property in Perthshire contributes to the local environment. (905960)
- 7 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church of England is taking to provide affordable and sustainable housing on its estate. (905961)
- 8 **Mr Peter Bone** (Wellingborough): To ask the hon. Member for City of Chester, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, if the Committee will make an assessment of the impartiality of the Electoral Commission. (905962)
- 9 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what joint projects have resulted from the Columba Declaration between the Church of England and Church of Scotland. (905963)

- 10 **Greg Smith** (Buckingham): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what plans the Church of England has to mark the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty The Queen. (905964)
- 11 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the hon. Member for Alyn and Deeside, representing the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body, what recent assessment the Sponsor Body has made of the impact of the restoration and renewal project on (a) roads and (b) air quality in London. (905965)
- 12 **Chris Loder** (West Dorset): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church of England is taking to strengthen its rural parish ministry. [R] (905966)