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## Questions tabled on Wednesday 21 September 2022

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### Questions for Answer on Thursday 22 September

#### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the statement by the Prime Minister of 8 September 2022 on UK Energy Costs, Official Report, column 398, when he plans to provide further details on the financial support for energy bills which will be made available to businesses. [Transferred] (51694)
- 2 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that the support for energy bills will be provided on schedule, in the context of levels of work carried out during the period of national mourning. [Transferred] (51953)
- 3 **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when the Government will introduce the right to 12 weeks neonatal leave and pay for parents of babies under 28 days who spend more than 7 days in hospital. [Transferred] (52020)
- 4 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Government's decision to lift the ban on fracking on the UK's ability to meet its net zero targets. [Transferred] (51887)
- 5 **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps her Department is taking to support businesses which have lost trade with the EU since Brexit. [Transferred] (51707)

- 6 **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, how many British businesses her Department has supported with the creation of new trading relationships outside the EU since the UK left the EU. [Transferred] (51708)
- 7 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of local authorities restricting blue badge holders from parking in city centres on those drivers. [Transferred] (51806)
- 8 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to help support (a) heavily pregnant women and (b) new mothers on statutory maternity pay with increases in cost of living. [Transferred] (51647)
- 9 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make it her policy to increase the rate of statutory maternity pay in the context of recent trends in the cost of living. [Transferred] (51648)
- 10 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she plans to take to help tackle alcohol harm in LGBTQ+ communities. [Transferred] (51802)
- 11 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to ensure female prisoners are offered adequate mental health support. [Transferred] (51955)
- 12 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to help reduce the harms of drug addiction in Portsmouth South constituency. [Transferred] (51923)
- 13 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of amending her policy on No Recourse to Public Funds in the context of (a) rising food prices and (b) the ability of foodbanks to meet demand. [Transferred] (51597)
- 14 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to HMP Wandsworth restricting prisoner's postal services to Moonpig and Funky Pigeon, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of restrictions on postal services on prisoner's families finances during the cost of living crisis. [Transferred] (52039)
- 15 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to HMP Wandsworth restricting prisoner's postal services to Moonpig and Funky Pigeon, whether any other prisons in the UK are subject to similar restrictions. [Transferred] (52040)
- 16 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to HMP Wandsworth restricting prisoner's postal services to Moonpig and Funky Pigeon, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of expanding this policy this to include other affordable card companies. [Transferred] (52041)

- 17 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to introduce a freeze on (a) stamp duty holiday and (b) rents to help the cost of living. [Transferred] (52036)
- 18 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of whether (a) food packaging producers, (b) food manufacturers and (c) food and drink retailers have passed on the costs of the plastic packaging tax to consumers; and if he will make a statement. [Transferred] (51593)
- 19 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the impact of the five pence per litre reduction in fuel duty in March 2022 on (a) road haulage companies, (b) coach companies and (c) private consumers. [Transferred] (52050)

## Questions for Answer on Friday 23 September

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of extending voting rights to 16 and 17 year olds in England. (53497)
- 2 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether any former Ministers in his Department accepted Ministerial severance pay after resigning in July 2022. (53505)
- 3 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he will publish a full list of former Ministers who resigned in July 2022 who (a) accepted, (b) rejected or (c) donated to charity their Ministerial severance pay. (53506)
- 4 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the President of COP26, what his policy is on loss and damage finance for countries particularly vulnerable to climate change at COP27. (53500)
- 5 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential environmental impact of shale gas extraction on communities in (a) Weaver Vale constituency and (b) Cheshire. (53498)
- 6 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 25 July 2022 to Question 37516 on Solar Power, if he will take steps to increase the installation of domestic solar panels by enabling households with solar panels and battery storage to receive the rate of wholesale electricity as payment for excess electricity exported to the grid for the next three years. (53518)

- 7N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will provide support to domestic users of home heating oil; and if he will set out plans for providing that support before 9 November 2022. [Transferred] (52062)
- 8 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Ofgem consultation document entitled RII0-ED2 Draft Determinations, Overview Document, published on 29 June 2022, if he will hold discussions with Ofgem on its proposals for (a) quality of supply capital funding and (b) the Interruptions Incentive Scheme, in the context of the recommendations made for a net zero energy system in his Department's paper entitled Electricity networks strategic framework, published on 4 August 2022. (53558)
- 9 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing a cap on energy standing charges. (53457)
- 10N **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of providing additional financial support to (a) bakeries and (b) other businesses which use a large amount of energy. [Transferred] (51961)
- 11 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Answer given on 10 March 2021 to Question 161735, on Fossil Fuels, what recent assessment he has made of the compatibility of extracting and burning (a) the remaining estimated 3,906 million tonnes of UK coal resources, including prospects, and (b) the remaining estimated 10 to 20 billion barrels or more of recoverable oil equivalent resources in the UK continental shelf, with meeting targets in (i) the sixth carbon budget and (ii) the Glasgow Climate Pact. (53356)
- 12 **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of providing more funding to help SMEs improve their energy efficiency. (53407)
- 13N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an estimate of the number of properties that have undergone heat insulation works in the West Midlands in each year since 2010. [Transferred] (51421)
- 14N **Stephen M<sup>c</sup>Partland** (Stevenage): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make it his policy to cap the price of energy for GP surgeries. [Transferred] (51650)

- 15 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what estimate his Department has made of the amount of private investment that will be leveraged in by the Government's £100 million of new Research and Development funding for the commercial deployment of connected and self-driving technologies. (53394)
- 16 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 26 July 2022 to Question 38656, whether the Total Award by Innovate UK and Award to Academic Institutions will recover to similar sums spent in the years (a) 2017, (b) 2018, (c) 2019 and (d) 2020 during this current award year. (53396)
- 17N **Matthew Pennycook** (Greenwich and Woolwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether heat network consumers not able to access the existing Default Tariff Price Cap will have access to the discretionary fund to be established to provide financial support for those not eligible for the Energy Bill Support Scheme or the new Energy Price Guarantee announced on 8 September 2022. [Transferred] (51882)
- 18 **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential effect on consumers of raising the £7500 threshold on the Rent a Room scheme. (53459)
- 19 **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of the devolution of welfare powers to Wales to permit the Welsh Government to provide additional support for households amid the cost of living crisis. (53462)
- 20 **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the support needs of businesses after his proposed 6 months of Government support has expired. (53463)
- 21 **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the support required to help businesses to improve their energy efficiency. (53464)
- 22 **David Warburton** (Somerton and Frome): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans his Department has to support households in rural areas with the rising cost of domestic heating oil. (53471)
- 23 **Mrs Pauline Latham** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of provision of core funding to community arts organisations through (a) local authorities and (b) private charities. (53374)

- 24 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, for what reason her Department is yet to respond to the Telecommunications (Security) Act 2021 draft designated vendor direction consultation. (53484)
- 25 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, when her Department will publish its response to the Telecommunications (Security) Act 2021 draft designated vendor direction consultation. (53485)
- 26 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what estimate she has made of the potential effect of delays to the Government's response to the Telecommunications (Security) Act 2021 draft designated vendor direction consultation on businesses facing upcoming compliance deadlines. (53486)
- 27 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking with (a) Cabinet colleagues and (b) stakeholders on decreasing energy costs in schools. (53499)
- 28 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what additional funding his Department has made available through (a) education investment areas and (b) education opportunity areas to support young people in Blackpool. (53537)
- 29 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what capital resources his Department has made available since December 2019 to support schools and colleges in Blackpool. (53538)
- 30 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of the cost of living crisis on the number of children living in poverty who are not eligible for free school meals. (53478)
- 31 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether young people from Hong Kong on the extended British National (Overseas) visa will be able to immediately access apprenticeship schemes in the UK without having to wait for three years of residence. (53542)
- 32 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent steps the Government has taken to encourage young people to take up STEM qualifications. (53387)
- 33 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to encourage more women to take up STEM qualifications. (53388)
- 34 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps the Government is taking to help make school uniforms more affordable. (53389)



- 35 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps the Government is taking to recruit adequate numbers of computing teachers in schools. (53390)
- 36 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking with local authorities to help ensure that school facilities are available for use by local communities. (53391)
- 37 **Sir Oliver Heald** (North East Hertfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make it his police to ban (a) bottom-trawling and (b) other bottom-towed fishing gear in all offshore Marine Protected Areas; and if he will make a statement. (53256)
- 38 **Sir Oliver Heald** (North East Hertfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to upcoming fisheries negotiations with the EU, Norway and north eastern Atlantic coastal states, if the Government will make it its policy not to set catch limits for any stocks in excess of scientific advice. (53257)
- 39 **Sir Oliver Heald** (North East Hertfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will make it his policy to implement at least five no-take Highly Protected Marine Areas as defined by the Benyon Review. (53258)
- 40 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the environmental impact of single-use, disposable e-cigarettes. (53477)
- 41 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 20 April 2022 to Question HL7651, if he will provide further details of the call for evidence on gamebird welfare including (a) expected date of commencement, (b) expected duration and (c) whether it will be open to the public. (53450)
- 42 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 20 April 2022 to Question HL7651, if he will publish details of (a) how he expects the Animal Welfare Committee's work to feed into the consultation on the welfare of game birds and (b) the expected duration of that part of the process. (53451)
- 43 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, for what reason the 2010 Study to determine whether cage-based breeding can meet the needs of game birds, and if not, to identify best practice - AW1303 did not include an objective of assessing whether cage-based breeding could meet the welfare needs of game birds; and if he will make such an assessment. (53452)

- 44 **Selaine Saxby** (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that UK (a) garden centres and (b) tree and plant growers are able to trade effectively once the Border Control regime is implemented. (53569)
- 45 **Greg Smith** (Buckingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the welfare implications for dogs which (a) touch a livestock fence delivering 15,000 mJ of electricity and (b) are startled with an electronic collar delivering 5 mJ of electricity. (53520)
- 46 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester, Withington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when the Government will respond to the further consultation on the introduction of a deposit return scheme in England, Wales and Northern Ireland, which closed in June 2021. (53442)
- 47 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether her Department still intends to host a green trade and investment expo in autumn 2022. (53418)
- 48 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, pursuant to the debate on Dolphin and Whale Hunting: Faroe Islands on 11 July 2022, what diplomatic steps her Department has taken since July 2022 to encourage the Faroese Government to stop the practice of dolphin and whale hunting; and if she will make a statement. (53557)
- 49 **Ms Anum Qaisar** (Airdrie and Shotts): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether her Department has sought advice from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office on how a UK-Israel Free Trade Agreement could safeguard the UK's human rights commitments in the Occupied Palestinian Territories. (53570)
- 50 **Ms Anum Qaisar** (Airdrie and Shotts): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what advice her Department has received from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office on how a UK-Israel Free Trade Agreement could impact human rights in the Occupied Palestinian Territories. (53571)
- 51 **Ms Anum Qaisar** (Airdrie and Shotts): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether the intended contents of the UK-Israel Free Trade Agreement include provisions for transport technology. (53572)
- 52 **Ms Anum Qaisar** (Airdrie and Shotts): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether the intended contents of the UK-Israel Free Trade Agreement include provisions for human surveillance technology. (53573)
- 53 **Ms Anum Qaisar** (Airdrie and Shotts): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether the intended contents of the UK-Israel Free Trade Agreement include provisions for arms trade. (53574)



- 54 **Ms Anum Qaisar** (Airdrie and Shotts): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether provisions will be in place within any free trade deal between the UK and Israel on ensuring that preferential treatment does not cover trade with illegal settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territories. (53575)
- 55 **Ms Anum Qaisar** (Airdrie and Shotts): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether provisions will be in place within any free trade deal between the UK and Israel on ensuring explicit exclusion of preferential trading terms for (a) goods and services exports produced in or (b) investment in illegal Israeli settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territories. (53576)
- 56 **Ms Anum Qaisar** (Airdrie and Shotts): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether there will be provisions in place within any free trade deal between the UK and Israel on strengthening the rights of Palestinians working in Israel and the Occupied Territories. (53577)
- 57 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, for what reasons her Department is reintroducing the six per cent import duty for urine drainage bags following the covid-19 duty suspension. (53401)
- 58 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, if she will take steps to remove the duty on importing urine drainage bags by reclassifying them as medical or surgical instruments and apparatus. (53402)
- 59 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to help (a) prevent, and (b) provide support for annual rent increases for shared ownership leaseholders, in the context of the cost of living crisis. (53502)
- 60 **Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the Government's policy is on the calculation of new housing targets in local authorities which are predominately made up of Green Belt land. (53430)
- 61 **Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether the Government will take steps to prevent overdevelopment of Green Belt land in its future planning reforms. (53431)
- 62 **Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he will take steps to protect the Green Belt in the National Planning Policy Framework. (53432)
- 63 **Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps the Government will take to ensure local authorities can put in place Local Plans which ensure the protection of local green spaces. (53433)
- 64 **Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the Government's policy is on the ability for the Planning Inspectorate to override planning decisions made by local councils. (53434)

- 65 **Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps the Government is taking to address local housing projections which are based on out-of-date numbers. (53435)
- 66 **Oliver Dowden** (Hertsmere): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether the Government will take steps to ensure brownfield development is incentivised by planning policy instead of development on greenfield sites. (53436)
- 67 **Imran Hussain** (Bradford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when he will announce the successful bids for the second round of levelling up funding. (53421)
- 68 **Cherilyn Mackrory** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department is taking steps to ensure that change of use planning permission is required for properties changing from a residential to holiday let status. (53516)
- 69 **Cherilyn Mackrory** (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will provide a timeline for plans to allow local authorities to charge a council tax premium on second homes. (53517)
- 70N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent assessment he has made of the contribution of Business Improvement Districts to local regeneration. [Transferred] (51671)
- 71 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what support his Department will provide to young people from Hong Kong who will become eligible for the British National (Overseas) visa from November this year. (53541)
- 72 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will take steps with Cabinet colleagues to support the development of eco flat pack housing projects in the context of recent trends in demand for housing and rising energy costs. (53382)
- 73 **David Warburton** (Somerton and Frome): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to provide (a) homes, (b) jobs and (c) school placements for refugees from Ukraine. (53473)
- 74 **David Warburton** (Somerton and Frome): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to support the sponsors of refugees from Ukraine who are experiencing delays in finding their own homes. (53474)
- 75 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what additional funding his Department provided to (a) Blackpool Council and (b) Blackpool Transport to support the provision of (i) bus and (ii) tram services in Blackpool during the covid-19 outbreak. (53535)

- 76 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to help reduce the cost of tram services in England. (53536)
- 77 **Christopher Pincher** (Tamworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to improve facilities for HGV drivers on the M42, including around Tamworth. (53376)
- 78 **Christopher Pincher** (Tamworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what proportion of funding issued under the Active Travel programme has been allocated to improving (a) cycling and (b) walking facilities in Staffordshire. (53377)
- 79 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with (a) Aer Lingus and (b) Belfast City Airport on the potential removal of Aer Lingus services from Belfast City Airport to London Heathrow. (53400)
- 80 **Justin Tomlinson** (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the potential effect of the removal of vehicle or operator taxi signage on trends in the levels of unlicensed taxi operators active on UK streets. (53392)
- 81 **Sir Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department plans to introduce a limit to the amount that airports can charge for the use of drop-off facilities. (53302)
- 82 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what capital funding her Department has made available to facilitate the development of a new JobCentre Plus site in Blackpool. (53533)
- 83 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what additional funding her Department has made available to support people in Blackpool into work. (53534)
- 84 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the delays customers are experiencing to the Access to Work Scheme; and what further measures her Department are putting in place to address these delays. (53448)
- 85 **Stewart Hosie** (Dundee East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people were employed by her Department at each civil service grade in (a) Scotland and (b) the UK in the financial years (i) 2018-19, (ii) 2019-20 and (iii) 2020-21; and what the average salary at each civil service grade was for those employed (a) full-time and (b) part-time in each of those regions and each of those years. (53313)
- 86 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the research by Sense entitled Complex disabilities in the UK which found that 318,000 children have complex disabilities, if her Department will take steps to help ensure that those children are supported financially in the context of rises in the cost of living. (53423)

- 87 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she has taken to ensure the accuracy of phone-based assessments for Personal Independence Payments claimants. (53475)
- 88 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has made an assessment of the levels of accuracy between Personal Independence Payment assessments that are made (a) over the phone and (b) face to face. (53476)
- 89 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the letter sent on 15 July 2022 by the then Secretary of State for Work and Pensions to the Chair of the Work and Pensions Select Committee, if she will take steps to publish the evaluation of benefit sanctions referred to in that letter. (53458)
- 90 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when she will reply to my correspondence of 8 June and 22 August 2022 from the hon. Member for Weston-super-Mare on behalf of constituent Mr Gray. (53339)
- 91 **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the impact of the freeze on the state pensions of people living abroad on levels of poverty amongst those people. (53522)
- 92 **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of NHS Trusts have a six month termination clause in contracts for the supply of clinical waste services. (53297)
- 93 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what additional funding her Department has made available to Blackpool Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust to tackle care backlogs associated with the covid-19 outbreak. (53529)
- 94 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what additional funding her Department made available to Blackpool Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust during the course of the covid-19 outbreak. (53530)
- 95 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what additional funding her Department has made available to Blackpool Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust to help tackle health inequalities. (53531)
- 96 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what additional capital funding her Department has made available for the development of facilities at Blackpool Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust. (53532)
- 97 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what additional funding her Department has provided to Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for schemes designed to combat the spread of HIV. (53539)

- 98 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will make an estimate of the average pay of NHS staff working in (a) Newham and (b) Tower Hamlets. (53326)
- 99 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether it is her policy to allow NHS bodies to invoice a patient for hospital care not excluded from the Charging Regulations prior to evidencing that a patient does not have entitlement to free NHS care. (53327)
- 100 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what guidance has been provided to NHS bodies on the criteria needed to exempt patients from NHS debt where they have determined to not be ordinarily resident including (a) which criteria are used to determine if such a patient is destitute and (b) any other criteria. (53328)
- 101 **Sir Geoffrey Cox** (Torrige and West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will take urgent steps to improve the availability and quality of NHS dental treatment in Torrige and West Devon constituency. (53306)
- 102 **Sir Geoffrey Cox** (Torrige and West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the review of the contractual arrangements under which NHS dental treatment is carried out will be completed. (53307)
- 103 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to help young people and families access mental health support for eating disorders. (53501)
- 104 **Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what are the (a) timelines for decision making and (b) planned completion dates for the cases submitted to NHS England for a (i) Community Diagnostic Centre and (ii) Day Case Unit at Hinckley District Hospital. [R] (53521)
- 105 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the number of whole time equivalent dentists providing NHS dentistry in England by Parliamentary constituency. (53340)
- 106 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the average units of dental activity delivered by each NHS dentist in each Parliamentary constituency in each of the last five years. (53341)
- 107 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many NHS dental contracts have been handed back in each NHS region in of the last five financial years. (53342)

- 108 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the average time it has taken for dentists whose primary qualification is from outside the UK to receive an NHS performer number from the time of application in each NHS region in each of the last five financial years. (53343)
- 109 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether she will take steps to promote the recruitment of dentists from overseas by the NHS. (53344)
- 110 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what her policy is on allowing local NHS commissioners to use flexible commissioning to improve the training of dentists, including clinicians from outside the UK. (53345)
- 111 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to provide those clinically vulnerable people for whom covid-19 vaccines do not work with support with (a) the practical consequences of shielding and (b) maintaining mental health and wellbeing; and if she will make a statement. (53357)
- 112 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what data her Department used to support its recent decision not to currently offer the drug Evusheld to people for whom covid-19 vaccines do not work; who (a) was consulted and (b) took that decision; by what process that decision was made; and if she will make a statement. (53358)
- 113 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, where in the country the 100,000 doses of the monkeypox vaccine due to arrive in September 2022 will be distributed. (53360)
- 114 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department will take to coordinate the (a) distribution of and (b) appointments for the monkeypox vaccines arriving in the UK in September 2022. (53361)
- 115 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps patients can take to contact the Patient Safety Commissioner. (53540)
- 116 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of introducing a national prostate cancer screening programme similar to the breast cancer and cervical cancer screening programmes. (53507)



- 117 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to ensure patients with multiple allergies such as asthma and eczema have access to a multidisciplinary team who can consider the best care for the patient across their conditions; and whether he will make a statement. (53403)
- 118 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to ensure patients with allergies receive a referral to specialist care for the best possible evidence based treatment as recommended in the Allergy UK Patient charter for people who live with allergic disease; and if she will make a statement. (53404)
- 119 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the accessibility of NHS dentist appointments. (53293)
- 120 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to increase access to NHS dentists. (53294)
- 121 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people in England are registered with NHS dentists. (53295)
- 122 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the number of people in England who are registered at private dental surgeries. (53296)
- 123 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether her Department collects covid-19 test results from private covid-19 test providers which allow for self-reporting of results. (53496)
- 124 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government is taking to ensure that local authority care providers deliver the best possible levels of care for elderly people. (53380)
- 125 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government takes to ensure that adequate and compassionate care for elderly patients is (a) affordable and (b) of high quality. (53381)
- 126 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when she expects the Independent Investigation into East Kent Maternity Services by Dr Bill Kirkup to be published. (53465)
- 127 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an estimate of the proportion of total global international aid to East Africa for humanitarian relief provided by the UK (a) in 2017 and (b) to date in 2022. (53323)
- 128 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the report by Transparency International entitled Investing with Integrity, published in July

- 2022, if he will make an assessment of progress made by British International Investment in implementing the report's recommendations on (a) publishing publicly accessible anti-bribery and anti-corruption policies, (b) the use of offshore jurisdictions in investment structures and (c) the use of corporate vehicles incorporated in offshore jurisdictions which do not meet the higher of OECD or local standards on releasing identity and beneficial ownership information. (53325)
- 129 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to Report of the International Commission of Human Rights Experts on Ethiopia published on 19 September 2022, what steps he will take to support accountability for the abuses found to have been committed by Tigrayan forces in Koba and Chenna in late August and early September 2021. (53329)
- 130 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to Report of the International Commission of Human Rights Experts on Ethiopia published on 19 September 2022, what steps he will take to support accountability for abuses found to have been committed by the Ethiopian National Defence Force and its personnel in the Mekelle area between 28 November 2020 and 28 June 2021. (53330)
- 131 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to Report of the International Commission of Human Rights Experts on Ethiopia published on 19 September 2022, what steps she will take to support accountability for acts of rape and other sexual violence found by that report to have been committed by personnel of (a) Eritrean Defence Forces, (b) Tigrayan forces, (c) Ethiopian National Defence Force and (d) Fano militia. (53331)
- 132 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to Report of the International Commission of Human Rights Experts on Ethiopia published on 19 September 2022, and pursuant to the findings in relation to the drone attack on Dedebit internally displaced persons camp on 7 January 2022, what representations she will make to (a) the government of Ethiopia in relation to accountability for that act and (b) the government of Turkey in relation to its arms export control regime. (53332)
- 133 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the finding in report of the international commission of human rights experts on Ethiopia, published by the United Nations Human Rights Council on 19 September 2022, that the denial and obstruction of humanitarian access to Tigray Region by the Federal Government of Ethiopia and allied regional State governments was committed for the purpose of depriving the Tigrayan population of objects indispensable for its survival, including food and healthcare, if he will take steps to help support accountability in relation to this finding. (53333)

- 134 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the UK Government's Strategy for International Development published in May 2022, what programmes managed by his Department contribute to the objective to develop and scale solutions to address challenges in agriculture and the food system that cut across our development priorities through the Gilbert Initiative, BII and the UK's bilateral investments. (53334)
- 135 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to African Risk Capacity Risk Pool VIII 2021-22, for what reason no person has been insured under the African Risk Capacity agreement in (a) Somalia, (b) Kenya, (c) Djibouti; and what steps he is taking to ensure that African Risk Capacity insurance can provide appropriate coverage across the Horn of Africa region. (53335)
- 136 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to (a) increase funding to tackle and (b) organise diplomatic action on the prospect of famine in Somalia. (53408)
- 137 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to respond the UN's warning that famine could be declared in Somalia by October 2022. (53409)
- 138 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to secure the release of imprisoned British citizen Alaa Abd el-Fattah ahead of COP27 in Egypt. (53504)
- 139 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with the governments of (a) Eritrea and (b) Ethiopia on the attack on the Tigray region launched on 20 September 2022. (53346)
- 140 **Mrs Pauline Latham** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of UK funded aid projects to help relieve hunger in Uganda. (53370)
- 141 **Mrs Pauline Latham** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what (a) safeguards and (b) reporting mechanisms are in place to monitor the spending of UK Overseas Development Assistance in relation to tackling hunger in Northern Uganda. (53371)
- 142 **Mrs Pauline Latham** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the implementation of the Expanding Social Protection Programme Phase II project. (53372)

- 143 **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to increase the flow of UK funding to (a) Ethiopia and (b) other countries currently experiencing severe hunger crises; and if he will make a statement. (53264)
- 144 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the cessation of Iranian sponsorship of extremist Islamist groups is a UK demand in the ongoing negotiations in Vienna on the future of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action. (53405)
- 145 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when she last raised the issue of the sponsorship of extremist Islamist groups by Iran with her Iranian counterpart. (53406)
- 146 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the Platinum Jubilee Cookbook published on 28 April, how much public money was spent by his Department in relation to (i) creating, (ii) publishing, (iii) promoting, and (iv) purchasing copies of the book. (53316)
- 147 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans she has for the timescale for bringing into force of section 52 of the Offensive Weapons Act 2019 on the offence of threatening with an offensive weapon etc in a private place. (53322)
- 148 **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take legislative steps to create (a) English, (b) Irish, (c) Scottish and (d) Welsh citizen status. (53362)
- 149 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum seekers have been referred to the Home Office Safeguarding and Welfare Hub by Migrant Help in the last twelve months; and what support the Hub provides to asylum seekers who have raised concerns about their mental health. (53561)
- 150 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the role and responsibilities are of the Home Office Safeguarding and Welfare Hub; and what engagement it that body has with asylum seekers in hotel accommodation. (53562)
- 151 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what pathways are available for asylum seekers housed in hotels to access mental health support; and what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the services available for those hotel residents. (53563)
- 152 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many full time equivalent staff in her Department work on Afghanistan-related immigration cases. (53564)

- 153 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Answer given on 20 September 2022 to Question 46210, on Refugees: Afghanistan, how many full time equivalent staff in her Department are responsible for processing ACRS referrals. (53565)
- 154 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 20 September to Question 46210, what steps her Department must complete between UNHCR referral under Pathway 2 of the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme and the arrival of such refugees in the UK. (53566)
- 155 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 20 September 2022 to Question 46210, when she expects Afghan refugees to begin arriving in the UK under Pathway 2 of the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme. (53567)
- 156 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the number of unaccompanied minors living in contingency accommodation sites in Northern Ireland. (53559)
- 157 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if it will establish an independent complaints mechanism for asylum seekers in contingency accommodation. (53560)
- 158 **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Department of Justice Answer of 13 September 2022 to Question 47553 on Sexual Offences: Trials, and with reference to The Secretary of State Answer to the Question from the hon. Member for South Shields at Justice Questions on 24 May 2022, Official Report, column 154, how Operation Soteria will help ensure that the focus of investigation is on the accused rather than the victim. [Transferred] (51704)
- 159 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 14 July 2022 to Question 32512 on Derwent Immigration Removal Centre: Legal Profession and the Answer of 5 September 2022 to Question 40757 on Derwent Immigration Removal Centre: Legal Profession, how many in-person visits have been made by lawyers to women in Derwentside immigration removal centre (a) under the Detained Duty Advice Scheme and (b) in total since 8 July 2022. (53359)
- 160 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she publish (a) a timetable for the introduction of the British National (Overseas) visa extension to young people from Hong Kong and (b) eligibility criteria for that visa extension. (53544)
- 161 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make it her policy to allow the financial requirements of 18–25 year-old British National (Overseas) visa applicants to be sponsored by a third-party. (53545)

- 162 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the British National (Overseas) visa extension will apply to young people whose British National (Overseas) parents are now both deceased. (53546)
- 163 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether young people from Hong Kong who have overstayed their current visa leave out of fear of returning to Hong Kong due to their political activity will be able to switch into the British National (Overseas) visa from within the UK. (53547)
- 164 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether young people from Hong Kong who are currently in the UK on visitor leave will be able to transition into the British National (Overseas) visa if they are eligible when it extends to them in November 2022. (53548)
- 165 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the process is for eligible young people from Hong Kong currently in the UK asylum system to transfer to the British Nationals (Overseas) visa from November 2022 onward. (53549)
- 166 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the Government's visa support for young people from Hong Kong will extend to allowing those people to include years spent in the UK on a student visa toward the five year route to settlement for British National (Overseas) visa holders. (53550)
- 167 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of reports that adult dependent relatives of British Nationals (Overseas) have experienced visa processing delays of over a year; and if she will make a statement. (53551)
- 168 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the National Crime Agency's Combating Kleptocracy Cell on combating sanctions evasion and the hiding of Russian assets in the UK, Crown Dependencies and British Overseas Territories; and if she will make a statement. (53315)
- 169 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when UK Visas and Immigration will reply to the correspondence of 25 July and 23 August 2022 from the hon. Member for Weston-super-Mare on behalf of constituent Mr Arian Shahrami. (53338)
- 170 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has taken steps to implement changes in general policy arising from the decision published on 14 January 2022 on the case of R(on the application of SGW) v Secretary of State for the Home Department (Biometrics – family reunion policy). (53271)



- 171 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department plans to provide additional investment into the facilities at the Blackpool Reserve Centre. (53528)
- 172 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 15 September 2022 to Question 49062 on Air Force: Military Bases, how many times the use of RAF Brize Norton's runway has been temporarily suspended as a result of extreme heat since 2010. (53273)
- 173 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the impact on regional security of escalating military tensions between Armenia and Azerbaijan since the start of September 2022 and following the conclusion of the Nagorno Karabakh War. (53274)
- 174 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will publish the dates of his meetings with his Turkish counterpart on tensions between Armenia and Azerbaijan since 1 January 2022. (53275)
- 175 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will publish the dates of his meetings with his Azerbaijani counterpart on tensions between that country and Armenia since 1 January 2022. (53276)
- 176 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will publish the dates of his meetings with his Armenian counterpart on tensions between their country and Azerbaijani since 1 January 2022. (53277)
- 177 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps is he taking to support Ukrainian authorities with the exhumation and identification of victims of alleged mass killings by Russian forces in (a) Bucha and (b) Izyum. (53278)
- 178 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if it remains his policy to spend £250 million of his Department's funding on a national flagship. (53279)
- 179 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 13 September 2022 to Question 49069 on Armed Forces: Housing, where information on complaints received regarding Single Living Accommodation is stored. (53280)
- 180 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what were the projected savings forecast in 2016 for the Defence Estate Optimisation Portfolio for each year until completion. (53283)
- 181 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 13 September 2022 to Question 47358 on Military Bases: Sales, whether as part of the Defence Estate Optimisation Portfolio his Department sells land on the defence estate for its market value. (53284)

- 182 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will publish the dates for his last meetings with the Chief of the Defence Staff about the Royal Navy's balance between surface and subsurface fleets. (53286)
- 183 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will publish the dates for his last meetings with the First Sea Lord about the Royal Navy's balance between surface and subsurface fleets. (53287)
- 184 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the security of British F-35s due to reports in the US that raw materials used for a component in that jet were produced in China. (53288)
- 185 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has had discussions with his US counterpart on the potential impact of the Pentagon's suspension of F-35 deliveries on the UK's order of F-35 jets. (53289)
- 186 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he was first informed that F-35 jets contained materials produced in China. (53291)
- 187 **Stewart Hosie** (Dundee East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much was spent by his Department on research contracts in each region in the most recent financial year for which figures are available. (53314)
- 188 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the expected out-of-service date is for Hercules C-130J aircraft. (53303)
- 189 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many of the (a) roles and (b) missions previously performed by the Hercules C-130J have transitioned to the Airbus A400M as of 20 September 2022. (53304)
- 190 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how he has measured the (a) level of availability and (b) reliability of the Royal Air Force A400M fleet over the last 12 months. (53305)
- 191 **Alun Cairns** (Vale of Glamorgan): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of exempting key public sector workers from jury service. (53384)
- 192 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the implications for his Department's policies of backlogs at County Courts; and what steps his Department is taking to reduce delays in hearing cases. (53503)
- 193 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if his Department will publish a timeline for the implementation of the recommendations made in the Independent Review of Criminal Legal Aid. (53424)

- 194 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether the recent increase in fees to legal aid will be backdated to existing court cases to 30 September 2022. (53425)
- 195 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the backlog of cases in the Crown Court caused by the covid-19 outbreak. (53426)
- 196 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department has made an estimate of how long it will take to reduce the backlog of Crown Court cases caused by the covid-19 outbreak. (53427)
- 197 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to increase the number of criminal barristers in England and Wales. (53428)
- 198 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the average waiting times for bringing cases to the Crown Court. (53429)
- 199 **Stewart Hosie** (Dundee East): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, how many official representations abroad ministers in his Department made in (a) 2018-19, (b) 2019-20 and (c) 2021-2022; in which countries those representations took place; in what capacity those representations were undertaken; and what the cost to the public purse was of each of those representations. (53308)
- 200 **Stewart Hosie** (Dundee East): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, how many official trade representations abroad did ministers from his Department make in (a) 2018-19, (b) 2019-20 and (c) 2021-2022; and in which countries those representations took place. (53309)
- 201 **Stewart Hosie** (Dundee East): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what the running costs of the Office of the Secretary of State for Scotland and Advocate-General for Scotland were in each year 2015-2022; how much of the budget in each year was allocated to (a) staff costs, (b) maintenance, (c) travel costs and (d) other expenditure. (53310)
- 202 **Stewart Hosie** (Dundee East): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what estimate he has made of the (a) staffing levels and (b) running costs of his Department in (i) 2022-23 and (ii) 2023-24. (53311)
- 203 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many complaints under process by HMRC relate to Tax Credits Ltd. (53445)
- 204 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate he has made of the average amount of time it takes for HMRC to resolve complaints related to Tax Credits Ltd. (53446)

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- 205 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate he has made of the average amount of time it took for a complaint related to Tax Credits Ltd being submitted to HMRC to receive a resolution. (53447)
- 206 **Stewart Hosie** (Dundee East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the underspend in each financial year in the total budget of Departments was as a percentage of the total Government budget; and what the equivalent figures are for the Scottish DEL for each year for which figures are available since 2010. (53312)
- 207 **Mrs Pauline Latham** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will remove VAT on (a) suntan lotion and (b) other similar products in the context of the rising cost of living. (53373)
- 208 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether British National (Overseas) visa holders will be eligible for Government cost of living support in winter 2022. (53543)
- 209 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of HMRC's (a) average telephone response time targets and (b) operating phone hours; and what information his Department holds on average response times from first contact to query resolution for those contacting HMRC across all communication methods. (53397)
- 210 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when he will reply to the correspondence of 13 April and 13 May from the hon. Member for Weston-super-Mare on behalf of constituent David Blackhurst on Vehicle Exercise Duty. (53336)
- 211 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when the Probate Office plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Weston-super-Mare of (a) 11 July and (b) 12 August 2022 on behalf of his constituent, Anthony Westacott. (53337)
- 212 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps the Government is taking to ensure it can fund a freeze on the cost of energy if the level of future economic growth is lower than predicted levels. (53383)
- 213 **David Warburton** (Somerton and Frome): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he will include any provision in the forthcoming fiscal statement for support for households with the rising cost of domestic heating oil. (53472)
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## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 11 October

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what discussions he has had with his Cabinet colleagues on potential merits of enabling English, Welsh, Scottish and Irish citizens to record their nationality as such when registering to vote. (53363)
- 2N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how will the £400 provided by the Energy Bill Support Scheme announced on 21 September 2022 will be delivered to people who live in Park Homes. (53364)
- 3N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the £100 of support for households which do not use main gas to heat their homes announced by the Government on 21 September 2022, whether that payment is a one off payment to cover the duration of the Government's energy price guarantee. (53365)
- 4N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the £100 of support for households which do not use main gas to heat their homes announced by the Government on 21 September 2022, how that support will be delivered to eligible recipients. (53366)
- 5N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he will publish the interim strategy for 2022-23 delivered to the Government by the Director of Labour Market Enforcement in March 2022. (53415)
- 6N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the £66 million of R&D expenditure to support the commercial deployment of connected and self-driving technologies, whether that expenditure is additional to that provided in existing and future (a) UK Research and Innovation budgets and (b) national R&D spend levels and targets; and if he will provide a breakdown of how that expenditure will be allocated on a regional basis. (53393)
- 7N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an estimate of (a) the number of UK-based scientists who have been informed by the European Research Council that their grant can no longer be taken up in the UK, since 1 January 2022, (b) the number of such grantees who have decided to re-locate, and (c) the total value of European Research Council grants awarded to UK-based scientists since January 2022 that can no longer be taken up in the UK. (53395)

- 8N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what criteria his Department will use to assess which businesses qualify for energy costs support after six months due to their vulnerability. (53460)
- 9N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether green levies will be moved from energy bills to general taxation. (53461)
- 10N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps her Department has taken to help ensure that consumers have received refunds for cancelled flight bookings in summer 2022. (53526)
- 11N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of alternative funding models for the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme including introducing a long-term funding across financial years. (53255)
- 12N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he will publish specific energy bill support for households connected to communal heat networks; and whether that support will be equivalent to the two-year cap for other UK households. (53519)
- 13N **Mr David Davis** (Haltemprice and Howden): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if she will publish a list of the occasions when her Department's Counter Disinformation Cell has requested social media platforms remove posts from their platforms and what the grounds were for classifying the posted information as disinformation. (53272)
- 14N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the impact of US providers switching off their 3G networks on the communications service experienced UK citizens travelling to the US; and what obligations exist for UK providers to inform their customers of the impact of that decision in the US. (53399)
- 15N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what support the Government provides to schools to help them protect extremely clinically vulnerable (a) students and (b) staff from covid-19. (53553)
- 16N **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what financial support is available to students across the UK to provide assistance with the cost of living crisis. (53443)
- 17N **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he is taking steps to ban sky lanterns. (53568)



- 18N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the adequacy of the level of (a) executive pay and (b) shareholder dividends at private water companies. (53352)
- 19N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the number of sewage discharges into (a) rivers, (b) lakes and (c) the sea. (53347)
- 20N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the efficacy of the fines mechanism for reducing sewage discharge by water companies. (53348)
- 21N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of including glass in the Deposit Return Scheme. (53350)
- 22N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he will take to increase food (a) security, (b) resilience and (c) localised routes to market in the UK. (53494)
- 23N **Dr Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, for what reason the entirety of the New Forest has been included within the provisional boundary of the proposed Solent Freeport. (53254)
- 24N **Christopher Pincher** (Tamworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to ensure that levelling up funding, such as the Future High Street Fund, helps to ensure adequate provision of electric charging infrastructure for (a) cars and (b) mobility scooters in towns. (53378)
- 25N **Christopher Pincher** (Tamworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what progress has been made on establishing a taskforce on older people's housing. (53379)
- 26N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her permission is required for train operating companies to commence consultations over closures of ticket offices regulated by Schedule 17 of the Ticketing and Settlement Agreement. (53368)
- 27N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent notifications she has received that (a) Chiltern Railways, (b) Cross Country Trains, (c) Greater Anglia, (d) LNER, (e) East Midlands Railway, (f) c2c, (g) Great Western Railway, (h) GTR, (i) Northern Trains, (j) South Eastern, (k) South Western Railway, (l) TransPennine Express, (m) Avanti West Coast and (n) West Midlands Trains plan to submit applications to close ticket offices regulated by Schedule 17 of the Ticketing and Settlement Agreement. (53369)

- 28N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will publish a list of dividend payments approved by her Department for each (a) year and (b) franchise under (i) EMAs, (ii) ERMAs and (iii) National Rail Contracts since April 2020. (53555)
- 29N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will publish a list of all applications pending approval for dividend payments under (a) EMAs, (b) ERMA and (c) National Rail Contracts. (53556)
- 30N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment her Department has made of the evidence on the effectiveness of noise camera technology in reducing disruptive noise pollution; and what preventative measures the Government is taking to tackle that problem. (53527)
- 31N **Lilian Greenwood** (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 5 July 2022 to Question 28414 on Access to Work Programme, how many applications to their Department's Access to Work Scheme are outstanding as of 5 September 2022; and what steps their Department are taking to tackle those outstanding applications. (53375)
- 32N **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the number of applications for Housing Benefit in (a) Birmingham and (b) England in the last (i) 12 months, (ii) 3 years and (iii) 5 years. (53352)
- 33N **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the number of approvals for Housing Benefit in (a) Birmingham and (b) England in the last (i) 12 months, (ii) 3 years and (iii) 5 years. (53353)
- 34N **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the number of applications for Housing Benefit from tenants living in supported exempt accommodation in (a) Birmingham, (b) Blackpool, (c) Hull, (d) Bristol and (e) England in the last 12 months. (53354)
- 35N **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the number of approvals for Housing Benefit for tenants living in supported exempt accommodation in (a) Birmingham, (b) Blackpool, (c) Hull, (d) Bristol and (e) England in the last 12 months. (53355)
- 36N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 5 September 2022 to Question 40729 on Universal Credit: Work Capability Assessment, what were the aggregate outcomes of Work Capability Assessments for people claiming Universal Credit in each of the most recent 12 months for which data is available. (53261)

- 37 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to her Department's guidance, The NHS Choice Framework: what choices are available to me in the NHS?, updated 14 January 2020, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy of the implementation of her Department's policy on equality of access to a hospital of choice by Barts Health NHS Trust. (53324)
- 38N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the decision-making process was ahead of the decision not to procure Evusheld including what (a) discussions took place and (b) evidence was used to inform the decision; and for what reason the Government decided not to procure Evusheld. (53385)
- 39N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether a process has been established to evaluate future prophylactic treatments for covid-19. (53386)
- 40N **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what her timescale is for publication of the White Paper on Health Disparities in England. (53422)
- 41N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information her Department holds on (a) the number of applications for job vacancies in the UK health and social care sector which were made by individuals from countries listed on the World Health Organisation's Health Workforce Support and Safeguards List and (b) the number of such applicants who were subsequently granted visas by the UK government, in the most recent period for which these figures are available. (53413)
- 42N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which countries listed on the World Health Organisation's Health Workforce Support and Safeguards List currently have agreements with the UK to allow the recruitment of individuals from such countries to fill vacancies in the UK health and social care sectors; and which countries on that list the Government is currently seeking to negotiate such an agreement with. (53414)
- 43N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress she has made on improving access to specialist care, treatment and drugs for rare diseases as outlined in the Rare Disease Action Plan 2022. (53554)
- 44N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions her Department has had with representatives of Adult Social Care IT providers on the capability of technology to support increased assessments at (a) local authority and (b) level. (53437)
- 45N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the planned reforms to adult social care charging set out on 8 March 2022, what recent discussions she has had with providers in that sector about the adequacy of their IT systems to deliver those reforms. (53438)

- 46N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate she has made of the number of social workers needed to implement the Government's proposed changes to assessment in Adult Social Care in England. (53439)
- 47N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on the potential financial effect on local government of the Government's proposed charging reforms to Adult Social Care. (53440)
- 48N **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions she has had with Adult Social Care providers on the impact of rising energy prices on care sector stability. (53441)
- 49N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment her department has made of the potential merits of convening a dementia medicines taskforce as proposed by the charity Alzheimer's Research UK in March 2022; and if she will make it her policy to convene such a taskforce. (53523)
- 50N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government is taking to tackle (a) malaria, (b) leprosy and (c) other neglected tropical diseases around the globe. (53524)
- 51N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to improve diagnosis rates for breast cancer. (53525)
- 52N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the impact of hunger outbreaks on girls in (a) East Africa and (b) the Sahel. (53480)
- 53N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking with (a) Cabinet colleagues and (b) international counterparts to help ensure that hunger outbreaks do not (i) remove girls from schooling and (ii) increase exposure of girls to (A) child, early and forced marriage, (B) child labour and (C) sexual exploitation and abuse. (53481)
- 54N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to increase the flow of life-saving aid to all areas of (a) Ethiopia and (b) Somalia. (53482)
- 55N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking the help (a) reduce the risk of future drought in East Africa and (b) build resilience in those countries to mitigate future hunger. (53483)

- 56N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many Expressions of Interest in resettlement to the UK under pathway three of the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme were submitted to his Department by Afghan nationals prior to 15 August 2022; and what estimate he has made of the number and proportion of such Expressions of Interest which were submitted by individuals who meet the current eligibility criteria for resettlement under that pathway. (53416)
- 57N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what information his Department holds on the number and proportion of Expressions of Interest in resettlement to the UK under pathway three of the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme, received by his Department prior to 15 August 2022, which were submitted by Afghan nationals who were (a) British Council contractors; (b) GardaWorld contractors and (c) Chevening alumni. (53417)
- 58N **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure the approval of new businesses cases to provide humanitarian and food security support in Ethiopia; and if he will make a statement. (53263)
- 59N **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what channels he intends to use to disburse new (a) humanitarian, (b) food security and (c) livelihoods funding to Ethiopia; and if he will make a statement. (53265)
- 60N **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans he has to publish the Shawcross Report into Libyan-sponsored IRA terrorism in the UK; and if he will make a statement. (53266)
- 61N **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the humanitarian situation in Yemen. (53267)
- 62N **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the food security situation in East Africa. (53268)
- 63N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 21 September to Question 47401, for what reason it would cost more than £800 to provide answers as to (a) the purpose of the payments made by his Department to Finishing Touches of (i) £2,360 on 15 November 2021, and (ii) £1,973.30 on 22 March 2022, and (b) where in the UK that supplier is located. (53317)
- 64N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 21 September to Question 47402, for what reason it would cost more than £800 to

provide an answer as to the purpose of the payments made by his Department to the official Norwich City Football Club online store of (a) £1,318 on 21 October 2021, and (b) £523.50 on 21 March 2022. (53318)

65N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 21 September to Question 47401, if the payments made by his Department to Finishing Touches of (a) £2,360 on 15 November 2021, and (b) £1,973.30 on 22 March 2022, were subject to his Department's normal assurance checks on the use of government procurement cards. (53319)

66N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 21 September to Question 47402, if the payments made by his Department to the official Norwich City Football Club online store of (a) £1,318 on 21 October 2021, and (b) £523.50 on 21 March 2022, were subject to his Department's normal assurance checks on the use of government procurement cards. (53320)

67N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 21 September to Question 47433, if the payment of £3,513.33 made by his Department to Sei Soccer.Com on 9 March 2022 was (a) subject to his Department's normal assurance checks on the use of government procurement cards, and (b) found to be an appropriate use of public money. (53321)

68N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with the governments of Pacific nations since his appointment. (53466)

69N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make it his policy to increase the number of personnel from his Department deployed to the Indo-Pacific region. (53467)

70N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, which Heads of Government from the Asia/Pacific region attended the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II (53468)

71N **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what onward travel options her Department offers to migrants accommodated on Diego Garcia, British Indian Ocean Territory. (53410)

72N **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many migrants are situated on Diego Garcia, British Indian Ocean Territory. (53411)



- 73N **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what communication facilities are available to migrants accommodated on Diego Garcia, British Indian Ocean Territory. (53412)
- 74N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to a procedural change in responses to MPs on constituency casework, what proportion of cases responded to by her Department were responded to via (a) phone call, (b) individual written response or (c) multiple enquiries within one response. (53493)
- 75N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment has she made of the impact on constituents of the change in procedure to reply to multiple cases from an MP within a single response. (53492)
- 76N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential effect of grouping multiple casework responses to MPs on the level of detail and clarity provided to constituents awaiting a response from the Home Office. (53491)
- 77N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to allocate additional resources to the Home Office to address delays in correspondence with MPs. (53490)
- 78N **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the amount of time people holding Graduate visas can stay in the UK after successfully completing a course in the UK. (53508)
- 79N **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to engage with UK universities on the effectiveness of the Graduate visa in reducing skills shortages in affected sectors. (53509)
- 80N **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of removing application fees for the Graduate visa. (53510)
- 81N **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing Graduate visa applicants to pay their healthcare surcharge on an annual basis, rather than upfront. (53511)
- 82N **Stephen Flynn** (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of removing application fees and healthcare surcharges from the Graduate visa on the likelihood of additional graduates remaining in the UK for work after completing their studies. (53512)

- 83N **Sir Greg Knight** (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the current prevalence of metal cable theft from telecommunication networks including in rural areas; and what further steps she plans to take to deter such thefts. (53299)
- 84N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of reintroducing a List of Travellers scheme for school groups. (53349)
- 85N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the next Statement of Changes to the Immigration Rules will respond to the decision in R (AB &Ors) v SSHD [2022] EWHC 1524 (Admin); and if she will make a statement. (53259)
- 86N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the impact of the no recourse to public funds policy on British children whose parents have no recourse to public funds. (53260)
- 87N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the judgment of the High Court in R (AB and Another) v Secretary of State for the Home Department [2022] EWHC 1524, in particular paragraph 54 of that judgement, whether she plans to take steps to ensure that the position of a British child is examined and their best interests ascertained before the condition of no recourse to public funds is imposed on their parent's grant of limited leave to remain; and if she will make a statement. (53262)
- 88N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 13 September 2022 to Question 48229 on Ministry of Defence: Public Expenditure, if he will quantify the adverse changes in the USD rate that his Department has absorbed within the overall departmental position. (53281)
- 89N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much of his Department's budget has been allocated to help manage the cost of increased energy supplies for defence industry contractors. (53282)
- 90N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 14 September 2022 to Question 49064 on Hawk Aircraft, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that the disruption to the UK Fast Jet training is minimised over the next three years. (53285)
- 91N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department undertakes an audit of critical supply chains to source the location of components and materials for key defence programmes. (53290)

- 92N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the UK has offered additional support to the NATO KOFOR mission in Kosovo in the past six months to help ensure peace is maintained in the country.(53292)
- 93N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the support available to mothers going through custody proceedings. (53489)
- 94N **Sir Greg Knight** (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will review penalties imposed by the courts for people convicted of theft of telecommunications cabling and where that theft caused the loss of a telephone service to multiple households; if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of treating that type of theft as aggravated with more severe sentencing regime reflecting the (a) value of the metal stolen and (b) the inconvenience and disruption caused to a wider local community; and if he will make a statement. (53298)
- 95N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average length of time petitioners had to wait for a court appointment in divorce proceedings was for each month in (a) 2019 and (b) the last twelve months for which data is available. (53351)
- 96N **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions his Department has had with the (a) Bank of England and the(b) wider banking sector on support for businesses experiencing temporary cash flow problems due to energy costs. (53444)
- 97N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the fall in the value of Sterling on the ability of public investment in Research and Development to leverage private international investment. (53398)
- 98N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of an exemption from the energy plan subsidy for illuminated advertising signs used by businesses. (53495)

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## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 12 October

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Christina Rees** (Neath): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he plans to publish a response to the call for evidence on Designing a Framework for Transparency of Carbon Content in Energy Products including any assessment on Renewable Energy Guarantees of Origin. (53469)

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- 2N **Christina Rees** (Neath): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether any assessment of Renewable Energy Guarantees of Origin will be made in future reviews into Net Zero. (53470)
- 3N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much her Department has spent on Pension Credit awareness campaigns in each since 1 January 2019. (53269)
- 4N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many times was the online pension credit toolkit was accessed in each year since 1 January 2019. (53270)
- 5N **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, for what reason eligible pensioners who have experienced delays in receiving their State Pension invitation do not have the option to apply for their pension via an online form or via a form that can be downloaded and printed from the Government website. (53488)
- 6N **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the implications of situations where HM Passport Office has lost supporting documents for first-time adult British passport applications, withdrawn these applications and asked the applicant to bear the costs of resubmitting a new application and applying for new supporting documents; and if she will make a statement. (53479)
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## Questions for Answer on Thursday 13 October

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Peter Kyle** (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant of the Answer on 31 March 2022 to Question 14830 on Fuel Oil, if he will publish the methodology for calculating the £100 targeted support payment the Government is providing to heating oil users in Northern Ireland as part of the energy support package announced on 21 September 2022. (53449)
- 2N **Ian Murray** (Edinburgh South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what progress the Government has made on the consultation launched September 2021 on strengthening the enforcement of safety laws for recreational and personal watercraft. (53367)
- 3N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many officials in his Department worked in the Export Control Joint Unit in each year between 2018 and 2022 inclusive. (53420)

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- 4N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many officials in his Department worked in the Export Control Joint Unit in each year between 2018 and 2022 inclusive. (53419)
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## Questions for Answer on Monday 17 October

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department is taking steps to ensure off-grid homes are protected by the energy price cap. (53578)
- 2N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many of his Department's personnel were based in (a) Hampshire, (b) Wiltshire, (c) Oxfordshire and (d) Scotland in the 2021-2022 financial year. (53514)
- 3N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will publish the locations of the UK air defence network's seven fixed radar sites and the yearly running cost of each site. (53515)
- 4N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to Answer of 13 September to Question 48229, what the (a) total change in costs related to exchange rate fluctuation was and (b) the additional budget allocated to budget holders to ensure that the affordability of each equipment programme was not affected cost. (53513)
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## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 18 October

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Sir Bill Wiggan** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will make an assessment of whether airport drop-off and parking fees represent value for money for airport users. (53300)
- 2N **Sir Bill Wiggan** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate she has made of the potential merits of introducing a cap on drop-off charges at UK airports. (53301)
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## Questions for Answer on Monday 24 October

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what targeted support he is providing to charities to help with the rising cost of energy. (53453)
- 2N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what additional support he is providing for (a) young and (b) vulnerable people who live in (i) hostels and (ii) supported accommodation with energy costs within their personal service charge. (53454)
- 3N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether the Government's energy rebate scheme that is provided to domestic consumers will also be made available to (a) YMCA and (b) other housing charities which have a centralised contract for energy in their hostels. (53455)
- 4N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of ensuring that charitable providers of (a) community and (b) health services are included in any Government-backed support for Local Authority provision. (53456)
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## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 25 October

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Jamie Stone** (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment the potential impact on British Army personnel of possible exposure to dangerous levels of contaminated water at Camp Lejeune in North Carolina between 1953 and 1987. (53487)