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Questions tabled on Tuesday 7 November 2023

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Questions for Answer on Thursday 9 November

Questions for Written Answer

- Nick Fletcher (Don Valley): To ask the Attorney General, which organisations the Crown Prosecution Service (a) met and (b) consulted as part of developing its consultation on proposed revisions to its legal guidance on sexual offences involving deception as to gender.

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- 2 **Nick Fletcher** (Don Valley): To ask the Attorney General, which organisations the Crown Prosecution Service (a) met and (b) consulted when developing Annex D of its legal guidance on domestic abuse. (604)
- 3 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Attorney General, how many people were prosecuted for offences relating to posts made on Facebook in each year for which records exist. (29)
- 4 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Attorney General, how many people were prosecuted for offences relating to posts made on TikTok for in each year for which records exist. (30)
- 5 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Attorney General, how many people were prosecuted for offences relating to posts made on X in each year for which records exist. (31)
- Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet
 Office, what assessment has his Department made of the adequacy of changes
 in the level of communication (a) for deaf children in early years settings and
 (b) between family members who use British Sign Language as their primary
 language since the entry into force of the British Sign Language Act 2022. (326)

- 7 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has had recent discussions with Cabinet colleagues on his Department's consultation on Managing pavement parking, published on 31 August 2020. (34)
- 8 Alicia Kearns (Rutland and Melton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many National Security Council meetings at Ministerial level there have been since 1 September 2023. (533)
- 9 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the Civil Service cost of living payments to civil servants that retired in the financial year 2022-2023. (254)
- 10 Chloe Smith (Norwich North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has had recent discussions with the Chair of the Infected Blood Inquiry on the reasons for which the final report of the inquiry will not be published until 2024; what steps he is taking to implement a compensation framework for infected blood victims; and if he will make a statement.
- 11 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what her Department's definition of a critical supply chain is; and which supply chains meet that definition. (76)
- 12 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what powers are available to her to impose export controls in the interests of national security. (77)
- Liam Byrne (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what powers are available to which of His Majesty's ministers to restrict supply of components to critical national infrastructure from foreign firms. (78)
- Liam Byrne (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what powers are available to which Ministers to control imports on national security grounds; and if he will publish details of (a) when and (b) how those powers have been used in the last five years.

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- Liam Byrne (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent representations she has received on public procurement guidelines on the purchase of foreign technology from the public purse. (81)
- Liam Byrne (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps she is taking to (a) prevent, (b) prepare for and (c) respond to disruption of the supply chain of semiconductors. (83)
- 17 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she is taking steps to seek admission to the US-EU Trade and Technology Council. (84)

- Liam Byrne (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the value was of accumulated (a) grants (b) loans and (c) equity investments made to firms operating in each of the sensitive areas of the economy set out under the National Security and Investment Act 2021; and if she will publish this information in a tabular format.
- 19 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues to help increase the uptake of local authority net zero schemes by small businesses in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (561)
- 20 Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what estimate she has made of the number of pubs that have closed in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London in each of the last five years.
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- 21 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what recent assessment she has made of the impact of trends in the level of export costs to the EU for small businesses on the economy of (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (586)
- 22 **Dehenna Davison** (Bishop Auckland): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps her Department is taking to help support traditional high street retailers to expand into e-commerce. (476)
- 23 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether UK manufactured arms have been sold to Israel in the last (a) 10 years, (b) five years and (c) one year. (306)
- John McNally (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has received recent representations on the disintegrating of plastic within internal baffles of household water tanks. (263)
- John McNally (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to establish an independent body to (a) identify and (b) monitor public health threats from defective household (i) boilers, (ii) water tanks and (iii) other products.
- John McNally (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to create a centralised certification body for water tanks. (266)
- Mark Pritchard (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps she is taking to extend the eligibility of British cheese producers to export cheese to Canada under the reserve for the European Union within Canada's World Trade Organisation Tariff Rate Quota until 31 December 2025. (125)
- Jonathan Reynolds (Stalybridge and Hyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the answer of 19 April 2023 to Question 180116 on Audit: Reform, how many hours officials in her Department have

worked on legislative proposals on reform of audit and corporate governance since the publication of the Restoring trust in audit and corporate governance white paper, CP382.

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29 Bell Ribeiro-Addy (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what discussions (a) her Department and (b) UKEF have had with Total Energies on (i) lifting the force majeure and (ii) restarting work on the Mozambique LNG project.

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- 30 Bell Ribeiro-Addy (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make it her policy to undertake a (a) reassessment of and (b) civil society consultation on UKEF's support for Mozambique LNG before any work on the project restarts. (491)
- 31 Bell Ribeiro-Addy (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the report by Jean-Christophe Rufin entitled Report on the socioeconomic, humanitarian and human rights situation in the PalmaAfungi-Mocímboa area, published by Total Energy in May 2023, whether she has made an assessment of the extent to which the recommendations from that report (a) have been implemented and (b) will be implemented before any work resumes on the Mozambique LNG project. (492)
- 32 Bell Ribeiro-Addy (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what progress UKEF has made on (a) determining scope one and two and (b) estimating scope three emissions in its portfolio until 2050. (493)
- Derek Thomas (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, for what reason commercial laundries are excluded from retail, hospitality and leisure relief from business rates. (362)
- Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the value was of non-cash vouchers awarded to staff working for (a) her core Department, (b) the Department for International Trade and (c) the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy as performance-related bonuses in 2022-23.

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Simon Fell (Barrow and Furness): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, 35 Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the public service value of (a) broadcast TV and (b) radio service for those living in rural communities with minimal access to broadband. (479)

- Simon Fell (Barrow and Furness): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media 36 and Sport, if she will make an assessment of the needs of rural communities in her Department's review of the future of TV distribution; and whether Ofcom plans to conduct a similar review.
- Sir John Hayes (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had discussions with the BBC Director General on publishing the 2004 Balen Report. (41)

- Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to her Department's press release of 30 October 2023 entitled New plans to promote media freedom and protect journalists, whether her Department has plans to take steps to scrutinise (a) foreign (i) entities and (ii) individuals who may seek to gain control or significant influence over UK newspapers and (b) the potential impact of that on journalistic independence. (11)
- 39 Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has sought advice on the legal viability of issuing a Public Interest Intervention Notice in relation to a debt transaction that could transfer (a) control and (b) material influence over a UK newspaper to a foreign (i) entity and (ii) individual.
- 40 **Dame Margaret Hodge** (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department is taking steps to ensure transparency in debt financing transactions that may potentially grant a foreign entity or individual material influence over a newspaper. (13)
- 41 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to improve mobile coverage in rural areas.

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- 42 Craig Whittaker (Calder Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture,
 Media and Sport, whether she has considered making changes to the existing
 requirements for (a) full and (b) remote ancillary licences for society lotteries in
 the context of increases in the use of handheld electronic devices in recruiting
 subscribers.

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- 43 Craig Whittaker (Calder Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to page 70 of her Department's High Stakes: Gambling Reform for the Digital Age white paper published on April 2023, what progress her Department has made on undertaking a consultation into potential regulation for large prize draw competitions.
- Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many children with SEND are not in formal education in (a) Enfield North constituency,
 (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London as of 7 November 2023.
- 45 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to improve support for children with special educational needs in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (583)
- 46 Elliot Colburn (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help people undertake training in childcare for children with special educational needs over the age of five. (508)

- 47 Elliot Colburn (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of school aged childcare provision in England for Special Educational Needs children. (509)
- 48 Elliot Colburn (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent estimate her Department has made of the level of demand for staff who are qualified to provide childcare for children over the age of five with special educational needs. (510)
- 49 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, which organisations (a) have received funding from her Department to tackle bullying in schools and colleges since 2021 and (b) will receive such funding in the next 12 months. (474)
- George Eustice (Camborne and Redruth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Answer of 25 October 2023 to Question 203270 on Universities: Mental Health Services, how many and what proportion of Higher Education leaders received the letter on mental health services from the Minister for Skills, Apprenticeships and Higher Education on 5 June 2023.
- Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many Education Health and Care Plans include (a) courses and (b) other forms of training in British Sign Language for (i) children and (ii) family members. (325)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will consider the potential merits of introducing a minimum requirement to qualify for student loans of (a) grades EEE at A-level and (b) equivalent grades at (i) T-level and (ii)Level 3 Diploma. (539)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will consider the potential merits of increasing the apprenticeship levy transfer ceiling to 35%. (540)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will consider the potential merits of using the apprenticeship levy to fund training in skill shortages identified by the Migration Advisory Committee.

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- 55 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of including personal financial education as a subject in the National Curriculum. (405)
- 56 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools reported anti-Semitic incidents in each year since 2013.
- 57 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many further education colleges reported anti-Semitic incidents in each year since 2013. (39)

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- 58 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Answer of 12 September 2023 to Question 196441 on Children: Social Services, how the £259 million capital funding for residential children's homes will be allocated.
- 59 **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the report by Become entitled Gone Too Far, published in April 2023, if she will make an assessment of the implications for her Department's policies of the proportion of local authorities that do not have a published sufficiency plan for children's social care. (68)
- 60 **Simon Jupp** (East Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will make an estimate of the potential impact on (a) the apprenticeship budget and (b) apprenticeship starts of permitting levy-payers to spend (i) 25% and (ii) 50% of their apprenticeship levy accounts on non-apprenticeship training. (614)
- 61 **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of Skills Bootcamp training providers hit (a) the target of (i) 100% completion with guaranteed interviews and (ii) 75% of learners receiving positive outcomes and (b) both targets. (226)
- 62 Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the most (a) studied and (b) achieved qualifications were for people in employment in the latest period for which data is available. (227)
- 63 Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when she plans to publish results from Local Skills Improvement Plans Phase 2 bids. (228)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department's survey of the school estate for reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC) seeks to identify other potential construction risks; and how her Department prioritises the requirements posed by multiple construction risks in schools.
- 65 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of schools have not completed the Government survey on reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete. (430)
- Mark Pritchard (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will amend the national curriculum to include teaching on the dangers of (a) road collisions, (b) drink-driving and (c) driving under the influence of drugs. (124)
- 67 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Answer of 21 February 2023 to Question 140337 on Schools: Closures, how many additional state-funded schools have (a) temporarily or (b)

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of oil and gas licensing.

permanently closed (i) all or (ii) part of their school site because one or more buildings were deemed unsafe in the period since February 2023; and which schools have been affected.	(513)
Munira Wilson (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much was spent on supply teachers in each (a) region, (b) local authority and (c) parliamentary constituency in the 2021-22 academic year.	(514)
Munira Wilson (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much capital funding her Department allocated for new SEND schools in each of the last five years.	(515)
Munira Wilson (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much capital funding her Department spent on new SEND schools in each of the last five years.	(516)
Munira Wilson (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what (a) guidance and (b) other support her Department provides to teachers who qualified in other countries to begin teaching in the UK.	(520)
Munira Wilson (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether Department plans to issue updated guidance to schools on supporting pupils with medical conditions.	
Munira Wilson (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether Department is taking steps to ensure that every school pupil with a medical condition has an individual healthcare plan.	er (522)
Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department is taking steps to help ensure that people have access to (a) independent and (b) tailored advice when making decisions about retrofitting their homes to make them more energy efficient.	
Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department is taking to help increase the rate of adoption of heat pumps.	(414)
Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has had discussions with the Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs on the potential impact of new offshore oil and gas licences on the UK's ability to meet the 30x30 commitment under the Kunming-Montreal Agreement.	(416)

Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security

and Net Zero, what the Government's policy is on managing the marine impacts

- 78 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department is taking steps to raise public awareness of (a) the availability of and (b) support for energy efficiency retrofitting measures for homes. (424)
- 79 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department is taking with energy companies to support the installation of energy efficiency measures through ECO4 in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (563)
- 80 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department is taking to support community energy schemes in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (564)
- 81 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make an estimate of the number and proportion of care recipients who are in fuel poverty in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (575)
- 82 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make an assessment with the Chancellor of the Exchequer of the potential impact of trends in the level of inflation on the Government's net zero policies. (379)
- 83 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department plans to take to monitor the environmental impact of oil and gas exploration in the period after licensing rounds increase in frequency. (406)
- 84 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on the potential environmental impact of new offshore oil and gas licences on marine protected areas.

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- 85 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what her Department's policy is on managing the marine impacts of oil and gas licensing. (408)
- 86 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on the potential impact of new offshore oil and gas licences on the UK's ability to meet the 30x30 commitment under the Kunming-Montreal Agreement. (409)

- **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department has had recent discussions with energy companies on the impact of reduced network coverage for smart meters on the ability of people to install domestic electric vehicle chargers.
- **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of increasing the Warm Home Discount in line with the increases to the Ofgem price cap. (390)
- **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps is her Department is taking to support customers with rising levels of energy consumer debt. (391)
- **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department has taken to lessen the upfront cost of retrofitting for (a) lower- and (b) middle-income households. (392)
- **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department has taken to support people in the private rental sector to access retrofitting schemes. (393)
- **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps she is taking to encourage more people to take up the Energy Support Scheme during winter 2023-24. (630)
- **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps she is taking to reduce the number of people in debt to their energy supplier. (632)
- **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent estimate she has made of the cost to the public purse of insulating park homes under the phase two of the Home Update Grant. (637)
- **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department has issued guidance to park home residents on what steps to take when the cost of insulating their homes exceeds the £15,000 price cap under phase two of the Home Upgrade Grant. (638)
- **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she plans to increase the £15,000 price cap for park home properties under phase two of the Home Upgrade Grant. (639)
- **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will publish a best practice guide for park home insulation. (640)
- **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she has made an estimate of the average lifespan of a park home, in context of potential opportunities for carbon cost savings. (641)

- 99 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent discussions her Department has had with energy suppliers on ensuring that disabled households are supported with the cost of energy. (279)
- 100 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent discussions her Department has had with charities that support disabled people with energy costs. (280)
- 101 Cat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department is taking to increase public awareness of the Priority Services Register. (281)
- 102 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what the value was of non-cash vouchers awarded to staff working for her core Department as performance-related bonuses in 2022-23.
- 103 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Fifth Special Report of Session 2022-23 of the Environmental, Food and Rural Affairs Committee on Species Reintroduction: Government response to the Committee's Fifth Report, published on 27 October 2023, HC 1931, on what criteria her Department decides when it is appropriate to support the reintroduction of recently lost former native species. (446)
- 104 Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what information her Department holds on the level of illegal waste disposal in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London in the last 12 months. (565)
- 105 **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans she has to bring forward legislative proposals to make the abduction of cats a criminal offence. (156)
- 106 Tracey Crouch (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to end the use of cages on farm animals.

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- 107 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many sewage discharges there were by each water firm on days when no rain fell in 2022. (134)
- Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the cost to the public purse was of her Department's total spend on communications for (a) 2023, (b) 2022, (c) 2021, (d) 2020 and (e) 2019.

- **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many full-time staff worked in Defra Group Communications in each year since 2019. (136)
- **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Answer of 24 January 2023 to Question 123903 on Flood Control: Finance, how many properties have been protected by the Government's flood defence scheme since April 2021. (137)
- **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Answer of 24 January 2023 to Question 123903 on Flood Control: Finance, what assessment her Department has made with the Environment Agency of the potential impact of inflation on the delivery of flood defence infrastructure programmes; and if she will publish that assessment.
- **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when her Department last revised permit conditions for storm overflows. (140)
- 113 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the £5.2 billion funding to build new flood defences announced in her Department's Flood and coastal erosion risk management policy statement, published in July 2020, how much of that funding (a) has been allocated and (b) is available. (410)
- **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to her Department's £200 million innovative resilience programme, how much of that funding (a) has been awarded to projects and (b) is available. (411)
- 115 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to her Department's press release entitled Multi-billion pound investment as government unveils new long-term plan to tackle flooding, published on 14 July 2020, how much of the up to £170 million she planned to spend to accelerate work on shovel-ready flood defence schemes that would begin construction in 2020 or 2021 (a) has been spent and (b) remains to be spend as of November 2023.
- **John McNally** (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will bring forward legislative proposals to establish an independent body to (a) identify and (b) monitor public health threats from (i) plastic and (ii) microplastic contamination. (265)
- **John McNally** (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make it her policy to ban plastic materials in (a) boilers and (b) water tanks. (267)

118 Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will introduce legislation to require water companies to report annually on the number of animals killed as a result of raw sewage discharges.

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- 119 Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to tackle air pollution from log burners. (197)
- 120 Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to increase food waste reporting. (198)
- 121 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to page 116 of the Annual Report and Accounts of the Environment Agency for 2022-23 published on 26 October 2023, what the purpose of the contract that has been subject to an adjudication process was; with which contractor that contract was agreed; and what the status is of that contract as of 7 November 2023. (110)
- 122 Matt Vickers (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Summary of Responses to the Call for Evidence on Labelling for Animal Welfare, published by her Department in August 2022, whether she plans to take steps to bring forward legislative proposals to introduce labelling for animal welfare. (605)
- 123 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she is taking steps to improve the welfare of farmed fish at the time of slaughter. (348)
- 124 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she is taking tackle cat theft, in the context of the withdrawal of the Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill. (355)
- 125 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with animal charities on the theft of (a) pedigree and (b) other cats. (358)
- 126 Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to his Department's press release of 3 September 2022, entitled Rough sleepers helped to rebuild their lives with new strategy backed by £2bn government support, what proportion of that funding has (a) been allocated for tackling rough sleeping and homelessness and (b) not been allocated. (438)

127 Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues to provide financial support to refugees facing homelessness after leaving asylum accommodation. (439)

- 128 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the (a) cost and (b) availability of student accommodation. (440)
- 129 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of ending the Homes for Ukraine scheme on levels of homelessness. (443)
- 130 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of funding arrangements to support Ukrainian refugees after March 2024. (444)
- 131 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many Ukrainian refugees became homeless after their sponsorships through the Homes for Ukraine scheme ended. (445)
- 132 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many entries have been made on the database of rogue landlords and property agents under the Housing and Planning Act 2016 in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London since that database was established.
- 133 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to reduce backlogs of audit opinions for local government bodies. (384)
- 134 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, what recent steps he has taken to establish (a)
 devolution and (b) an elected mayor in North Yorkshire. (307)
- 135 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling
 Up, Housing and Communities, what progress his Department has made on
 establishing a Local Plan for the City of York.
 (308)
- 136 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what estimate he has made of the number of homeless people who have died in the last 12 months. (309)
- 137 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling
 Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has had discussions with (a) local
 communities and (b) homeless support organisations on steps to increase
 accommodation for people that are homeless.

 (310)
- 138 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the
 measures available to local authorities to help reduce the number of people that
 are street homeless. (311)

- 139 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to ensure that homeless people have access to (a) GP and (b) dental services. (312)
- 140 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of the cost of living crisis on home-owners whose shared ownership rent increases are not capped by the voluntary rent cap. (626)
- 141 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will bring forward proposals to make the voluntary rent cap scheme in shared ownership arrangements mandatory. (627)
- 142 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling
 Up, Housing and Communities, how many rough sleepers have refused
 accommodation offered in each of the last five years. (532)
- 143 Caroline Nokes (Romsey and Southampton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department is taking steps to help support local authorities to find accommodation for UK citizens who have fled Gaza.

 (189)
- 144 **Chloe Smith** (Norwich North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he is taking steps with (a) the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care and (b) other Cabinet colleagues to amend the National Planning Policy Framework to include regulations for a new infrastructure levy to ensure the provision of adequate (i) GP and (ii) dental provision in new housing developments.
- 145 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to support local councils to tackle illegal log burning. (196)
- 146 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the value was of non-cash vouchers awarded to staff working for his core Department as performance-related bonuses in 2022-23. (114)
- 147 **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of increasing Homeless Prevention Grant funding for local authorities before 2025 on the number of homelessness individuals. (20)
- 148 **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he plans to produce a cross-departmental strategy to reduce the number of households living in temporary accommodation. (21)
- 149 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to help protect the rights of older renters through the Renters (Reform) Bill. (606)

- 150 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to help support private sector tenants whose landlords object to their requests for home insulation.

 (349)
- 151 Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what recent steps she has taken to improve access to (a) ultrafast full fibre and (b) superfast fibre to the cabinet broadband in Lewisham East constituency.

 (473)
- 152 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to the Answer of 26 October 2023 to Question 204064 on Broadband: Rural Areas, whether her Department plans to provide support to people who are ineligible for the Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme because they are in plan to have superfast broadband installed but do not have a timescale for this process.
- 153 **Simon Fell** (Barrow and Furness): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the value of broadcast services for individuals living in areas with limited broadband connections. (481)
- 154 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on the impact of social media usage on the mental health of people under the age of 18. (28)
- 155 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she has considered the potential merits of increasing mobile network sharing in rural 4G partial Not-Spots to help increase emergency call coverage. (293)
- 156 Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if her Department will take steps to launch a stakeholder consultation on the Hiroshima Process International Guiding Principles for organisations developing advanced AI systems. (374)
- 157 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment her Department has made of the implications for its policies on artificial intelligence of the draft International Guiding Principles for organisations developing advanced AI systems. (376)
- 158 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what the value was of non-cash vouchers awarded to staff working for her core Department as performance-related bonuses in 2022-23. (116)

159 Matt Vickers (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to monitor the use of artificial intelligence (AI) by UK businesses; and whether she plans to take steps to monitor the potential impact of AI use by businesses on the number of jobs created in each of the next five years.

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160 Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department plans to publish the Passenger Demand Forecasting Handbook.

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161 Sir Paul Beresford (Mole Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had discussions with his officials on the potential merits of introducing bespoke phase out dates for powered light vehicles following the extension of phase out for vans and cars announced on 20 September 2023.

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162 Sir Paul Beresford (Mole Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of granting a longer transition period for (a) manufacturers and (b) consumers to adapt to the phase out of new non zero emission L-category vehicles.

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163 Sir Paul Beresford (Mole Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the Government's proposed phase out dates for new non zero emission mopeds and motorcycles on the level of (a) attractiveness for investment of the UK's L-category market and (b) consumer choice within that market.

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164 Sir Paul Beresford (Mole Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of proposals relating to reform of Compulsory Basic Training published by the Motorcycle Industry Association in its document entitled A Licence to Net Zero on (a) road safety, (b) quality of rider training and (c) the skill levels of riders.

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165 Sir Paul Beresford (Mole Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of proposals relating to reform of the licensing process for L-Category vehicles published by the Motorcycle Industry Association in its document entitled A Licence to Net Zero on (a) the cost of L-Category licensing for (i) the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA) and (ii) riders and (b) DVSA L-Category test capacity.

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- 166 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to increase public awareness of the January 2022 changes to The Highway Code. (415)
- 167 Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what data he holds on the average waiting time for a driving test in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London as of 27 October 2023. (566)

- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the adequacy of the accessibility of train stations to disabled people in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (567)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made a recent assessment of his Department's progress on increasing the number of electric vehicle charging points in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (576)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to help increase the safety of pedestrians in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (584)
- **Dehenna Davison** (Bishop Auckland): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to increase the availability of public transport in County Durham. (477)
- **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking with (a) Highways England and (b) Tees Valley Combined Authority to construct a north link road for Darlington. (483)
- **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking with (a) Network Rail and (b) other stakeholders to (i) improve the accessibility of the platform and (ii) reinstate the use of the train shed canopy at North Road railway station. (484)
- **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of making the blue badge scheme enforceable on off-street local authority land. (383)
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many full time equivalent staff in his Department were working on the response to the Managing pavement parking consultation on 1 November 2023.
- **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to publish the update to the Clean Maritime Plan. (100)
- **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps the Government is taking to reduce international shipping emissions independently of the International Maritime Organisation. (101)
- **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the £2 bus fare cap on passenger numbers in rural areas. (633)
- **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department is taking steps to help increase the number of passengers on bus routes where the fare is not capped at £2. (634)

- **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department is taking steps to encourage more bus operators to participate in the £2 bus fare cap. (635)
- 181 Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department made an assessment of the impact of the rurality of each council area on the level of funding provided for each bus service improvement plan.

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- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what information his Department holds on the number of FTE vacancies there are in (a) ticket offices and (b) other station staff grades at (i) Avanti West Coast, (ii) Chiltern, (iii) C2C, (iv) East Midlands, (v) Greater Anglia, (vi) Great Western Railway, (vii) Govia Thameslink Railway, (viii) LNER, (ix) Northern Trains, (x) Southeastern, (xi) South Western Railway, (xii) Transpennine Express and (xiii) West Midlands Trains.
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what information his Department holds on the proportion of time that ticket offices were not open during their regulated hours at (a) Avanti West Coast, (b) Chiltern, (c) C2C, (d) East Midlands, (e) Greater Anglia, (f) Great Western Railway, (g) Govia Thameslink Railway, (h) LNER, (i) Northern Trains, (j) Southeastern, (k) South Western Railway, (l) Transpennine Express and (m) West Midlands Trains in each of the last 12 months.
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the cost to the public purse has been of processes enacted by his Department following the issuing of mandates to train operating companies on station reform in 2023.
- **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an estimate of the potential impact on passenger revenue of staffing unstaffed stations. (167)
- **Gavin Newlands** (Paisley and Renfrewshire North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Answer of 4 March 2021 to Question 158968 on High Speed 2 Line: Euston Station, what the total cost of the purchase of land and property for the development of London Euston station in connection with High Speed Two, Phase 1 is as of 7 November 2023. (258)
- **Gavin Newlands** (Paisley and Renfrewshire North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Answer of 4 March 2021 to Question 158968 on High Speed 2 Line: Euston Station, how many and what proportion of land and property acquisitions by HS2 Ltd in connection with the development of London Euston station were secured by (a) legal agreement with the owners of that land and property and (b) compulsory purchase order. (259)

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- **Gavin Newlands** (Paisley and Renfrewshire North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an assessment of the impact of administration fees charged by providers of services operated under the Cycle to Work scheme on independent cycle shops. (260)
- **Gavin Newlands** (Paisley and Renfrewshire North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what date his Department informed (a) Network Rail Ltd, (b) First Trenitalia West Coast Rail Ltd, (c) Manchester Airport Holdings Ltd and (d) Birmingham Airport Ltd of its decision to cancel HS2 Phase (i) 2a and (ii) 2b routes.
- **Gavin Newlands** (Paisley and Renfrewshire North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had his Italian counterpart on First Trenitalia's operation and part-ownership of the West Coast Partnership rail franchise. (262)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made a comparative estimate of the average cost of railway travel for consumers in (a) England and (b) other European countries. (175)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department made of trends in the level of overcrowding on Thameslink trains between Mill Hill Broadway and St Pancras during peak times. (176)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the feasibility of improving disabled access to platforms at Hendon Broadway station. (177)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the average spare capacity was on Thameslink trains from Mill Hill Broadway to St Pancras during peak hours in the latest period for which figures are available. (178)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to increase accessibility for disabled passengers on the Thameslink line. (179)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to improve travel experiences for blind and partially sighted people on public transport; and if he will make a statement. (180)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of adequacy of safety for disabled passengers on Thameslink; and if he will make a statement. (181)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many Thameslink trains were cancelled due to problems involving line infrastructure in the most recent period for which figures are available. (182)

- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many Thameslink trains were cancelled due to adverse weather conditions in the most recent period for which figures are available. (183)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many Thameslink trains were cancelled due to driver illness in the most recent period for which figures are available. (184)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many Thameslink trains were cancelled due to drivers not being available in the most recent period for which figures are available. (185)
- 202 Mark Pritchard (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to prevent the use of modified car exhausts which generate excessive noise.

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- 203 Mark Pritchard (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will redirect funding that would have otherwise been used for the cancelled phase 2 of HS2 to electrification of the Shrewsbury to Wolverhampton line. (123)
- **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had recent discussions with airline operators on improving (a) connectivity and (b) the reliability of air travel. (219)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will hold discussions with the Department for Infrastructure in Northern Ireland on the adequacy of public transport in rural communities in Strangford constituency. (224)
- **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to support public transport in rural areas. (225)
- **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will take steps to help prevent the provision of fraudulent information to the DVLA when a vehicle's keeper changes. (361)
- **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the phase out dates for new non-zero emission (a) mopeds and (b) motorcycles. (364)
- **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that transport infrastructure is adequately prepared before the phase-out of new non-zero emission L-Category vehicles comes into effect. (365)
- **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the phase out dates for new non-zero emission L-Category vehicles on greenhouse gas emissions in each (a) region and (b) of the next ten years.

- **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the response by the Motorcycle Industry Association to the consultation entitled When to end the sale of new non-zero emission L-category vehicles, published in September 2022, whether he plans to undertake the readiness checks proposed by the Motorcycle Industry Association before the phasing out new non-zero emission L-Category vehicles. (367)
- **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will (a) commission a public awareness campaign on the potential merits of owning an L-Category vehicle and (b) introduce (i) grants, (ii) incentives and (iii) other demand-side policies for the L-Category vehicle sector in the period before the phase-out of new non-zero emission L-category vehicles. (368)
- **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the proposed phase out dates for new non-zero emission L-Category vehicles on regulatory alignment with (a) the EU and (b) other markets. (369)
- **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to provide an exemption for hybrid vehicles from having a fully operational range extender in MOT tests. (235)
- 215 Adam Afriyie (Windsor): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of AI on the functioning of the welfare system. (133)
- **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the level of housing benefit. (442)
- **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what communication channels are in place for deaf individuals to contact his department about Personal Independence Payments. (250)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of inflation on pensioners in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (568)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many claims for Disability Living Allowance for children were made in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London in each of the last three years for which data is available. (577)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many claims for Disability Living Allowance for children were (a) successful and (b) not successful in (i) Enfield North constituency, (ii) the London Borough of Enfield and (iii) London in each of the last three years for which data is available. (578)

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- Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many unsuccessful claims for Disability Living Allowance for children were (i) appealed and (ii) successful following an appeal in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London in each of the last three years for which data is available.
- 222 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to support people who have been made redundant to (a) access training and skills support and (b) find suitable alternative employment in (i) Enfield North constituency, (ii) the London Borough of Enfield and (iii) London.
- 223 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has issued guidance to Job Centre staff on the fact that a refugee does not need to have received their Biometric Residence Permit before making a claim for Universal Credit. (139)
- Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what funding his Department provided to the British Sign Language Advisory Board in the last 12 months.
- 225 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to communicate the work of the British Sign Language Advisory Board with the deaf community. (320)
- 226 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of his Department's (a) press conferences, (b) social media posts and (c) webpages have been accessible for British Sign Language users since 25 October 2022. (321)
- 227 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when he expects each Government Department to publish its five year plan setting out how it will meet its obligations under Section 2 of the British Sign Language Act 2022.
 (324)
- 228 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending child benefit to families with children aged under 19 enrolled on apprenticeships. (537)
- Sir George Howarth (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what data his Department holds on the number of care leavers aged between 17 and 21 who received Universal Credit in each of the last five years in (a) Knowsley and (b) England.
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many households in receipt of Universal Credit faced a (a) lowest,
 (b) low, (c) medium and (d) highest level sanction concurrently with deductions to their Standard Allowance of (i) up to five per cent, (ii) between six and 10

per cent, (iii) between 11 and 15 per cent, (iv) between 16 and 20 per cent, (v) between 21 and 25 per cent and (vi) more than 25 per cent in each of the last 12 months. (145)

231 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people on Universal Credit have been sanctioned while awaiting a work capability assessment; and of those, how many have been subsequently assessed as having (a) limited capability for work and (b) limited capability for work related activity in each of the last 12 months for which data is available; and if he will make it his policy not to subject people awaiting (i) a work capability assessment and (ii) the outcome of work capability assessment to conditionality.

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232 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people have been subject to (a) benefit deductions and (b) sanctions at the same time in each of the last 12 months.

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233 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the implications for his Department's policies of the Youth Employment Group's report entitled Young Person's Guarantee published 27 September 2023.

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234 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of his Department's employment data lab on the effectiveness of (a) jobcentres and (b) existing employment services. (205)

235 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of Jobcentre plus offering employment support to unemployed individuals that are not in receipt of out-of-work benefits. (206)

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236 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will publish the first quarterly Customer Satisfaction Measure survey of the Restart Scheme.

237 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to use the findings of the customer satisfaction measure survey of the Restart Scheme to improve the (a) experience and (b) outcomes of participants with a health condition. (209)

Pensions, how many specialist Disability Employment Advisers are employed in youth hubs to support participants with a health condition. (210)

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239 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how his Department estimates the cost of answering Parliamentary Questions.

238 Alison McGovern (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and

- 240 Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of accessibility of information on a deceased partner's pension for unmarried couples where the couple had (a) remained together and (b) recently separated prior to the death of the partner. (341)
- 241 Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of a bereaved unmarried couple's ability to access a deceased partner's workplace pension following a separation on grounds of domestic abuse. (342)
- **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will provide additional funding to help support pensioners with the cost of living in Northern Ireland. (223)
- Scott Benton (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that women accessing telemedicine for early medical abortions are not being (a) coerced and (b) otherwise pressured into that procedure. (525)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an urgent assessment of the adequacy of the operation of the telemedicine abortion policy. (526)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that telemedicine abortion providers are not able to supply abortion drugs to people over the legal limit for that procedure. (527)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the report by Parkinson's UK entitled Every minute counts, published in September 2023, what assessment he has made of the implications for his Department's policies of the proportion of patients with Parkinson's admitted to hospital who always receive their medication on time. (528)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what training is required for NHS medical staff working in abortion provision to help ensure that they (a) can identify potential pressure and coercion and (b) understand its impact on informed consent. (529)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that vulnerable women are protected from (a) coercion and (b) other pressure to have an abortion. (530)
- **Jack Brereton** (Stoke-on-Trent South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the (a) UK's vaccine vial production capability, (b) reliance of the UK on the import of medical grade vials and (c) security of UK supply chains in the event of a future pandemic. (401)

- **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the supply of Ozempic pens for patients with type 2 diabetes. (242)
- **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps to increase the availability of Ozempic pens for patients with type 2 diabetes. (243)
- **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the availability of prescription medication used to treat ADHD. (249)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of childhood obesity levels in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London; and what steps his Department is taking to tackle childhood obesity in each of those areas. (569)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support the (a) recruitment and (b) retention of mental health specialists in (i) Enfield North constituency, (ii) the London Borough of Enfield and (iii) London. (570)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate he has made of the number of people on waiting lists for GP appointments in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (571)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase levels of access to NHS dental services in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (572)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of access to (a) adult hearing loss services and (b) sight loss services in (i) Enfield North constituency, (ii) the London Borough of Enfield and (iii) London. (585)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase the leukaemia diagnosis rate in young people in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (587)
- 259 Elliot Colburn (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help tackle inequalities in access to PrEP. (511)

- 260 Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the UKHSA Advisory Board: finance report, updated on 17 July 2023, on what date he expects the 2024/25 budget settlement for Covid-19 to be confirmed.
 (502)
- Dehenna Davison (Bishop Auckland): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and
 Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to increase the availability of
 NHS dental appointments in County Durham.
- Nick Fletcher (Don Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the press release entitled Government to deliver 160 community diagnostic centres a year early, published on 31 October 2023, which community diagnostic centres in Yorkshire are (a) already operational and (b) due to open in the next twelve months.
- 263 **Nick Fletcher** (Don Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of hospital trusts run specialist in-patient smoking cessation services; and what recent estimate he has made of when all hospital trusts will provided these services. (602)
- 264 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many community diagnostic centres have been opened over the course of the current Parliament; and how many and what percentage of diagnostic centres have been opened (a) in existing health settings and (b) elsewhere in the community. (382)
- 265 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate he has made of the number of NHS patients who would be eligible to use Wegovy. (385)
- 266 **Mrs Helen Grant** (Maidstone and The Weald): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to improve patient access to GP appointments. (186)
- 267 Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people accessed talking therapies each year from 2010 and 2022.
 (556)
- 268 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the cost to the public purse was for Improving Access to Psychological Therapies in each financial year from 2010 to 2022. (557)
- 269 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of trainee GPs undertook a training placement in a mental health setting in the past ten years. (558)

- 270 Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people received NHS talking therapies in each integrated care system area in the most recent period for which data is available; and how many and what proportion of those therapies were conducted (a) online, (b) face-to-face and (c) by phone.
- 271 Sir John Hayes (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has had recent discussions with the General Medical Council on how many doctors have been struck off the medical register since 2010.
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support (a) firefighters and (b) retired firefighters diagnosed with cancer as a result of their work.
- **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has had recent discussions with the General Medical Council on how many doctors have been successfully sued since 2010. (40)
- **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the APPG on Brain Tumours Inquiry Report entitled Pathway to A Cure, whether his Department plans to work with the Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency to encourage the inclusion of brain tumour patients in early phase cancer trials. (394)
- **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has plans to expand the eligibility criteria for the Pfizer Covid-19 vaccine; and what guidance his Department has issued on the additional protection provided by additional doses and any related health implications. (395)
- **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry's publication entitled At the crossroads: how a new UK medicines deal can deliver for patients, the NHS and the economy, published on 1 March 2023, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of that publication's proposals to lower the tax rebate for the voluntary scheme for branded medicines pricing and access.
- **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 26 October 2023 to Question 203979 on IVF: Finance, if he will publish a timetable for the implementation of the commitment to end the exclusion of couples from National Health Service-funded IVF where one partner has a child. (625)
- **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps his Department has taken to reduce the time taken to diagnose people with bipolar disorder. (255)

279 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that implementation of the suicide prevention strategy will take into account the needs of people with bipolar.

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280 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the value for money of the Federated Data Platform.

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- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Federated Data Platform on (a) healthcare and (b) the ability of health authorities to identify trends to support the provision of healthcare. (300)
- 282 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, against what criteria the potential provider of the Federated Data Platform will be assessed to ensure it has the capabilities to deliver the project. (301)
- 283 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the Federated Data Platform will be able to be accessed for commercial purposes. (302)
- 284 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the presence of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in the NHS estate on his Department's New Hospital Programme; and whether he plans to reprioritise that Programme. (304)
- 285 **Alison McGovern** (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether it is his Department's policy that a patient's GP practice be informed if that patient visits different hospitals in the same NHS trust with similar illnesses or injuries. (207)
- 286 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential benefits to patient safety of a national alert system to (a) flag unsafe levels of workload and (b) allow GPs to access additional support. (433)
- 287 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the share of NHS funding for general practice to shift care into the community. (434)
- 288 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether steps he is taking to increase the GP workforce. (435)
- 289 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve infrastructure for general practices.

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290	Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of hospitals in England have not completed the Government survey of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete.	(437)
291	Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will review the decision to reject the use of the drug Abiraterone to tackle prostate cancer.	(377)
292	Taiwo Owatemi (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of night work on (a) the level of risk of diagnosis with diabetes, (b) the level of risk of diagnosis with cardiovascular disease and (c) other health outcomes.	(523)
293	Stephanie Peacock (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve diagnostic processes for foetal alcohol spectrum disorder.	(387)
294	Stephanie Peacock (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve awareness of foetal alcohol spectrum disorder.	(388)
295	Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care whether he plans to take steps to make (a) Cefiderocol and (b) Ceftazidimethose available on the NHS.	(220)
296	Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care whether his Department has a planned timescale for when romosozumab will be available in the NHS for the treatment of Osteoporosis.	(222)
297	Wes Streeting (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of diagnostic tests have been carried out by the NHS (a) in total, (b) six weeks and (c) ten weeks after a referral in the last 12 months.	/ (327)
298	Wes Streeting (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many mental health support teams are in operation in schools and colleges as of 7 November 2023.	(329)
299	Wes Streeting (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the number children who are able to access mental health support at their secondary school or college.	(330)

300 **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many students were accepted onto paramedic graduate courses

provided by Health Education England beginning in Autumn 2023.

- 301 Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his Department's policy is on remedies for women who (a) cannot receive and (b) have difficulty receiving NHS IVF treatment because they have reached the age threshold for such treatment during the time taken to get a referral to a fertility (i) specialist and (ii) clinic from their GP.
- 302 **Theresa Villiers** (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that Ferric Maltol is available on prescription to people in Chipping Barnet constituency. (104)
- 303 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether it is his Department's policy that people with cystic fibrosis will have access to (a) Orkambi, (b) Symkevi and (c) Kaftrio through the NHS.
- 304 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he has taken to improve access to mental health services for people aged between 18 and 25 years old in Hornsey and Wood Green constituency.

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- 305 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has issued recent guidance to local authorities on the level of social care they should provide before requesting the NHS to take responsibility for patient care. (512)
- Oaniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that funding for biomedical research into myalgic encephalomyelitis (ME) is adequate; and whether he plans to take steps to establish a centre of excellence on ME to (a) promote understanding of and (b) develop effective treatments for that illness.
- 307 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to page 20 of his Department's food strategy white paper, published on June 2022, what his planned timetable is for when the Food Standards Agency will review the novel foods regulatory framework. (238)
- 308 Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his Department's food strategy white paper, published on June 2022, what steps the Food Standards Agency is taking to help food producers conduct (a) safe and (b) limited tastings of novel food products. (239)
- Oaniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 12 December 2022 to Question 105459 on Food: Research, what progress the Food Standards Agency has made in developing dedicated guidance materials for alternative protein companies developing novel foods and processes; and when he plans to publish that guidance.

- 310 Harriett Baldwin (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help prevent
 evasion of Russian oil price cap sanctions. (217)
- **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of
 the human rights situation in Western Sahara; and what steps he is taking to help
 promote accountability for assaults against Sahrawi human rights defenders. (126)
- **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he is taking steps to support
 people whose livelihoods have been affected by climate change in Western
 Sahara. (127)
- **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made for the
 potential implications for his policies of allegations of (a) forced disappearances
 and (b) degrading treatment of female Sahrawi refugees in the Tindouf camps. (128)
- **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department plans to offer
 support to civil society organisations in Senegal for (a) election monitoring and (b)
 promoting democratic practices ahead of that country's elections in 2024. (129)
- **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for the Home Department on taking steps to support evacuees from Sudan who are approaching the end of their six-month compassionate dispensation visas.
- **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions
 with his US counterpart on the sanctioning of (a) Ali Karti and (b) Aviatrade LLC. (131)
- **Sir Robert Buckland** (South Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce tensions on the border between Rwanda and the Democratic Republic of Congo. (213)
- **Sir Robert Buckland** (South Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the proposed cession of the Chagos Islands on (a) British regional interests and (b) wider regional security. (214)
- **Sir Robert Buckland** (South Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether Chagossians (a) in the UK and (b) on the islands have been given a role in negotiations with Mauritius over the sovereignty of the Chagos Islands. (215)

- 320 **Sir Robert Buckland** (South Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what support the Government has provided to partners in (a) South and (b) Central Asia since Pakistan's decision to repatriate Afghan nationals. (216)
- 321 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has
 made of the potential merits of (a) calling for stronger provisions on (i) legal
 liability and (ii) redress for victims and (b) including references to a right to a safe,
 clean, healthy and sustainable environment in a UN binding treaty on business
 and human rights.

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- 322 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had
 with his Israeli counterpart on restoring the supply of (a) food, (b) water, (c) fuel
 and (d) medicines to Gaza. (419)
- 323 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking to help protect UN workers in Gaza. (420)
- 324 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking to
 help protect journalists in Gaza. (421)
- 325 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking to
 help protect (a) medical and (b) humanitarian workers in Gaza. (422)
- 326 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking to
 help secure the safe release of hostages in Gaza. (423)
- 327 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the Government's policy position
 was in preparation of the 9th Session of the negotiations for a UN Binding Treaty
 on Business and Human Rights. (425)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps with international donors to support work by local NGOs in Afghanistan on advancing the rights of women and girls.

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- 329 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of prison reform in Bahrain in the last five years.

- 330 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the Answer of 7 July 2023 to Question 191641 on Bahrain: Gulf Strategy Fund, what assessment his Department has made of the capacity of the (a) Bahraini civil societies and (b) Bahrain Journalist Association to (i) operate independently of and (ii) voice opposition to the Bahraini authorities.
- 331 **George Eustice** (Camborne and Redruth): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to establish the role of the Special Envoy for Freedom of Religion or Belief on a permanent basis.
- 332 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he has taken to support the Red Cross to gain access to the hostages taken by Hamas since 7 October 2023. (402)
- 333 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of humanitarian aid supplies to the Gaza strip; and what steps he is taking to support (a) Islamic Relief, (b) the Egyptian Red Crescent and (c) other aid agencies to deliver aid.
- 334 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the situation in the occupied West Bank territories; and whether he has had discussions with his regional counterparts on (a) supporting, (b) strengthening and (c) reforming the Palestinian Authority.
- Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what estimate he has made of when
 (a) the British Virgin Islands, (b) the Turks and Caicos Islands, (c) the Sovereign
 Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia, (d) the Pitcairn Islands, (e) St Helena, (f)
 Montserrat, (g) the Falkland Islands, (h) the Cayman Islands, (i) Bermuda and (j)
 Anguilla will implement a publicly accessible register of beneficial ownership.
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- 336 Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the Written
 Ministerial Statement of 14 December 2020 on Publicly accessible registers of
 company beneficial ownership in the UK Overseas Territories, HCWS643, whether
 he plans to review his decision not to lay the Order in Council prepared by
 the Secretary of State to comply with the requirement under section 51 of the
 Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018.
- Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what estimate he has made of when
 (a) the Bailiwick of Jersey, (b) the Bailiwick of Guernsey and (c) the Isle of Man will implement a publicly accessible register of beneficial ownership.

- 338 Carla Lockhart (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions

 with his Indian counterpart on the use of anti-conversion laws in that country. (612)
- 339 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had
 with the Disasters Emergency Committee on the potential of establishing an
 appeal for Gaza.

 (305)
- 340 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent estimate his Department has made of the number of British citizens there are in Gaza. (428)
- 341 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle (a) malaria outbreaks and (b) other health crises in (i) Sudan and (ii) South Sudan. (431)
- 342 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to support (a) the restoration of essential health services in the conflict zones of Sudan and (b) South Sudan to provide health services for refugees. (432)
- 343 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what progress has been made
 to further detail and quantify the role, motivations and aims of the Muslim
 Brotherhood, since the publication of the Sir Jenkins Review. (168)
- 344 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the delivery of public services in Afghanistan. (169)
- 345 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when he last met officials to discuss
 the (a) role of the Global Anti-Aggression Campaign and (b) potential wider
 implications of that campaign on the Government's efforts to tackle violent
 extremism and terrorism.

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- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what information his Department holds
 on the role of Ismail Haniyeh in supporting Hamas terrorist activity from Qatar. (97)
- 347 **Royston Smith** (Southampton, Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help support the Ukrainian government on matters of (a) governance and (b) rule of law.

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- 348 **Royston Smith** (Southampton, Itchen): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his Ukrainian counterpart on the principle of the rule of law in Ukraine in the context of postwar reconstruction. (315)
- 349 Andrew Western (Stretford and Urmston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to help ensure that Palestinian civilians can secure safe passage out of Gaza.

 (642)
- 350 Andrew Western (Stretford and Urmston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to help facilitate the opening of an international humanitarian corridor in Gaza. (643)
- 351 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to
 help promote talks between Azerbaijan and Armenia on the Nagorno-Karabakh
 conflict.
- 352 Liam Byrne (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in which month she plans that the Foreign Influence Registration Scheme will go live. (82)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent estimate her Department has made of the number of people who are eligible for resettlement under pathway three of the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme; what steps she is taking to contact outstanding individuals assessed as being eligible in principle; and if she will reopen the process for Expressions of Interest from other eligible individuals. (494)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to (a) identify and (b) extract Afghan citizens from Pakistan who are eligible for the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme. (495)
- 355 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to increase the visibility of police in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) the London Borough of Enfield and (c) London. (573)
- 356 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to tackle antisocial behaviour in Enfield North constituency. (574)
- 357 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to monitor waiting times for (a) UK and (b) non-UK passport holders to clear the UK Border at (i) Heathrow and (ii) Gatwick Airport.

- 358 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether there is a minimum staff presence ratio requirement for the operation of e-gates at UK border points. (276)
- 359 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department has taken to ensure that the number of operational e-gates at UK border points in airports adequately reflects the number of expected arrivals at different times of day. (277)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will consider the potential merits of raising the immigration health surcharge to £2,700 per person per year. (544)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of raising the minimum combined income threshold for a family visa for a spouse to £26,200. (545)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of raising the skilled worker visa salary threshold for barristers and judges to £38,000 per annum. (546)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of raising the skilled worker visa salary threshold for solicitors to £38,000 per annum. (547)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of raising the skilled worker visa salary threshold for chartered and certified accountants to £38,000 per annum. (548)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of raising the skilled worker visa salary threshold for business and related research professionals to £38,000 per annum. (549)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of raising the skilled worker visa salary threshold for architects to £38,000 per annum. (550)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of raising the skilled worker visa salary threshold for (a) town planning officers, (b) quantity surveyors, (c) chartered architectural technologists and (d) chartered surveyors to £38,000 per annum.
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of raising the skilled worker visa salary threshold for (a) laboratory technicians, (b) electrical and electronics technicians and (c) engineering technicians to £38,000 per annum. (552)

- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of raising the skilled worker visa salary threshold for estimators, valuers and assessors to £38,000 per annum. (553)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of raising the skilled worker visa salary threshold for (a) insurance underwriters and (b) finance and investment analysts and advisers to £38,000 per annum. (554)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of raising the skilled worker visa salary threshold for all professions to £38,000 per annum. (555)
- Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what proportion of 999 calls related to mental health (a) nationally and (b) in each police force area in each of the last two years. (559)
- 373 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on support for (a) current and (b) former firefighters diagnosed with cancer as a result of their work. (37)
- 374 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps with Cabinet colleagues to provide compensation for firefighters diagnosed with cancer as a result of their occupation.

 (38)
- 375 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Answer of 24 October 2023 to Question 202707on Police: Cycling, if she will hold discussions with police forces on establishing guidelines on the costs of security for large cycling tours. (42)
- 376 **Dame Margaret Hodge** (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her planned timetable is for implementing the forthcoming increase in the immigration health surcharge. (7)
- 377 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to publish the eligibility criteria for the second stage of the Afghan Citizen Resettlement Scheme Pathway 3. (144)
- 378 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Westminster Hall debate on Safe Asylum Routes: Afghan Refugees on 17th October 2023, whether she has made an estimate of the number of additional caseworkers required to ensure all Afghan people who have come to the UK through the Afghan Citizen's Resettlement Scheme 1 can be reunited with family members eligible for family reunion in the UK.

- 379 **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that workers employed by a seasonal workers scheme license holder do not face barriers to employment when action is taken against the holder of the sponsor licence. (253)
- 380 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what criteria she uses to distinguish which rough sleepers do so as a lifestyle choice. (531)
- 381 Caroline Nokes (Romsey and Southampton North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department is taking steps to help support British citizens fleeing the conflict in Gaza to obtain visas for family members to travel with them to the UK. (190)
- 382 Caroline Nokes (Romsey and Southampton North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she is taking steps to help ensure there are effective routes for refugee family reunion in the UK for Palestinian refugees seeking to join family members in the UK.
- 383 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many independent consultants her Department has appointed for the purposes of providing personal briefings for Ministers in the last three years. (171)
- 384 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish the names of people who have acted as independent consultants for the purposes of providing personal briefings for Ministers in her Department in the last three years. (172)
- 385 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recruitment process her Department follows for the appointment of independent consultants to provide personal briefings for Ministers. (173)
- 386 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many police officers per capita there were in (a) England and Wales, (b) London and (c) the London Borough of Barnet in each of the last five years for which figures are available. (174)
- 387 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer 20 September 2023 to Question 199155 on Asylum: Housing, what the agreed contractual margins are above which Asylum Accommodation Support Contracts contractors should pay all profits back to the Home Office.

- 388 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer 20 September 2023 to Question 199155 on Asylum: Housing, how much funding has been returned to her Department by Asylum Accommodation and Support Services contractors because their profits exceeded the agreed contractual margin in each year since 2019. (651)
- 389 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the amount Clearsprings Ready Homes Limited will repay to her Department for exceeding the agreed contractual profit margin for Asylum Accommodation and Support Services in the 2022-23 financial year. (652)
- 390 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help prevent children being (a) exploited, (b) recruited into criminal organisations and (c) involved in knife crime in the West Midlands. (524)
- 391 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when her Department plans to respond to the correspondence of 6 and 15 September 2023 from the hon. Member for Weston-super-Mare on behalf of a constituent and her children about their visa applications. (132)
- 392 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many family reunion cases have been expedited to decision makers in the last year; and what was the average time for decision making after being expedited. (458)
- 393 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an estimate of the number of Biometric Residence Permit cards that have been wrongly issued in the last 12 months. (460)
- 394 Mark Pritchard (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will introduce measures to help victims of domestic violence retrieve their possessions safely from their ex-partner's properties in circumstances when the police will not intervene. (121)
- 395 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many applicants are assigned to each caseworker for the ARAP Scheme. (593)
- 396 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to publish further guidance on family reunification for Afghan people resettled under the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme pathway 1. (594)
- 397 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to give Afghan people on pathway 1 of the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme (a) refugee and (b) humanitarian protection status for family reunion purposes. (595)
- 398 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the standard of proof for unsafe journeys for Afghan people. (596)

- 399 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has made an assessment of the potential impact of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 on access to the asylum system for Afghan people. (597)
- 400 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the contract notice for the provision of a competence assessment and moderation process for the Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner, published by her Department on 5 October 2023, when that Office plans to finalise the question papers for candidates to become (a) Level 1, (b) Level 2 and (c) Level 3 Immigration Advisers.
- 401 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department are taking to help women who have experienced adult sexual exploitation. (607)
- 402 **Christian Wakeford** (Bury South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many cases have been accepted under the Afghan citizens resettlement scheme. (619)
- 403 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has had recent discussions with the Metropolitan Police on creating a stop and search charter for London. (350)
- 404 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many stop and search incidents took place in Hornsey and Wood Green constituency between September 2022 and September 2023. (351)
- 405 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average time taken to implement (a) visa and (b) asylum appeals that were accepted at tribunal stage was in the last 12 months. (352)
- 406 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the most common causes of gaps in the time between (a) visa or asylum appeals being approved at tribunal and (b) those decisions being implemented. (353)
- 407 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to reduce the time taken to implement visa and asylum appeals that are overturned by the tribunal court. (354)
- 408 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking tackle illegal puppy and kitten farms, in the context of the withdrawal of the Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill. (356)
- 409 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking tackle dog theft, in the context of the withdrawal of the Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill. (357)

- 410 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish a timetable on the implementation of buffer zones around abortion clinics. (359)
- Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, whether advice from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development
 Affairs against travel to Russia would qualify as an insurmountable obstacle as set
 out in Ex.2 of the Immigration Rules Appendix FM: family members, published on
 25 February 2016.
- **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of support available to veterans with Gulf conflict related illnesses. (447)
- **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to take steps to invest in research into Gulf conflict related illnesses in order to support veterans with such illnesses. (448)
- **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many high rise buildings housing service personnel contain flammable cladding. (50)
- **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Royal Fleet Auxiliary vessels have not spent any days at sea in each year since 2010. (51)
- **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the projected out-of-service date is for (a) RFA Wave Ruler and (b) RFA Wave Knight. (52)
- **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much his Department has spent on the upkeep of (a) RFA Wave Ruler and (b) RFA Wave Knight in each year since 2019.
- **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many personnel (a) were recruited and (b) left the Royal Fleet Auxiliary service in each year since 2010. (54)
- **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has a recruitment strategy for the Royal Fleet Auxiliary. (55)
- **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which Minister is responsible for the Royal Fleet Auxiliary. (56)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to (a) the Answer of 11 September 2023 to Question 195698 on Nuclear Submarines: Decommissioning and (b) the NAO report entitled Investigation into submarine defueling and dismantling, published on 3 April 2019, for what reason the Submarine Dismantling Project's original target date for completing the dismantling work on Swiftsure differ in those documents. (57)

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422	John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of posthumously awarding a medal to UK personnel that supported Greek troops during the Greek Civil War.	(58)
423	John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether each of the capabilities funded by (a) Round 1 and (b) Round 2 of the International Fund for Ukraine have been delivered to the Ukrainian Armed Forces.	(59)
424	John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many contracts his Department has signed for (a) round one and (b) round two of the International Fund for Ukraine; and what the value is of each of these contracts.	(60)
425	John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much and what proportion of the International Fund for Ukraine's budget has been allocated.	(61)
426	John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department plans to launch a third round for funding for the International Fund for Ukraine.	(62)
427	John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what proportion of the contracts awarded through (a) round one and (b) round two of the International Fund for Ukraine have been awarded to UK based companies.	(63)
428	Alex Norris (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many BAME officers are above the rank of Major in the Army.	(399)
429	Alex Norris (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to improve BAME representation in ranks above Major in the Army.	(400)
430	Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many and what proportion of army recruits participating in the long course at the Army Foundation College left the army before completing the course in each of the last ten years.	(453)
431	Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Answer of 15 April 2021 to Question 179358 on Army: Young People, if he will introduce new terms of service for soldiers that enlist under the age of 18.	(454)
432	Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to tackle the dumping of vessels on his Department's land at Cornwall Beach in Plymouth.	(455)

433 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many properties owned by his Department in Plymouth are unoccupied as of 7 November 2023. (457)434 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to replace the SA-80 as the main weapon for guard duty on gangways on board Royal Navy warships. (461)435 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many armed forces personnel in each of the armed services failed drugs tests in each of the last five years. (462)436 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many times the Prime Minister requested to use military air transport in the last 12 months. (463)437 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, for how long HMS St Albans has been in refit; and what recent estimate he has made of how much longer HMS St Alban will remain in refit. (464)438 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the average age of a Challenger II tank is. (465)439 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the implementation of the Government's Space Strategy. (466)440 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people in (a) his Department (b) each individual service are working on the implementation of the review entitled Agency and Agility: Incentivising people in a new era - a review of UK Armed Forces, published 19 June 2023. (467)441 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the policy paper entitled Agency and Agility: Incentivising people in a new era - a review of UK Armed Forces incentivisation, published on 19 June 2023, whether he plans to publish an update on the implementation of that report's recommendations. (468)442 Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 109 of the policy paper entitled Agency and Agility: Incentivising people in a new era - a review of UK Armed Forces incentivisation, published on 19 June 2023, how many quick wins have been identified following that report. (469)

443 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the policy paper entitled Agency and Agility: Incentivising people in a new era - a review of UK Armed Forces incentivisation,

- published on 19 June 2023, what steps his Department is taking to implement recommendation 66 of that report on senior leaders' delivery of the review's recommendations.
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- 444 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the policy paper entitled Agency and Agility: Incentivising people in a new era a review of UK Armed Forces incentivisation, published on 19 June 2023, what steps Strategic Command is taking to implement that report's recommendations. (471)
- 445 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 110 of the policy paper entitled Agency and Agility: Incentivising people in a new era a review of UK Armed Forces incentivisation, published on 19 June 2023, what primary legislation changes his Department has identified. (472)
- 446 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Answer of 12 September to Question 197420, which contract covered the provision of rotary wing command air transport by Sloane Helicopters for the Prime Minister's visit to Clacton-on-Sea on 18 October 2023.
- 447 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Answer of 14 September 2023 to Question 197421 on Aviation: Prime Minister, which plane was used by the Prime Minister to fly from Northolt to (a) Leeds on 9 January, (b) Blackpool on 19 January, (c) Newquay on 9 February, (d) RAF Leeming on 10 February, (e) Anglesey on 23 March and (f) Aberdeen on (i) 31 July and (ii) 2 September 2023.
- 448 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Answer of 14 September 2023 to Question 197421 on Aviation: Prime Minister, which taskings were completed on G-ZAHS in addition to flying the Prime Minister from Northolt to Inverness on 13 January and to Manchester on 3 April 2023.
- 449 **Christian Wakeford** (Bury South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many refugee claims have been accepted under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy scheme since April 2023. (616)
- 450 **Christian Wakeford** (Bury South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many refugee claims have been rejected under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy scheme since April 2023. (617)
- 451 **Christian Wakeford** (Bury South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many refugee claims under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy are still awaiting a decision. (618)

- 452 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people were serving life sentences for second listed offences in prisons in England and Wales as of 7 November 2023; and how many of those were sentenced (a) prior to 4 April 2005 and (b) after 4 April 2005. (251)
- 453 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people were serving life sentences for second listed offences in prisons in England and Wales as of 7 November 2023; and how many of those individuals were sentenced (a) on or prior to 9 November 2000, (b) between 9 November 2000 and 4 April 2005 and (c) after 4 April 2005.
- 454 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Question 13 of oral evidence taken before the Justice Committee on 24 October 2023, HC 1929, Session 2022–23, what the (a) total number and (b) additional cost was of prison officers on detached duty in each of the last 52 weeks.
- 455 Alex Norris (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to reduce mobile phone use in prisons. (398)
- 456 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Answer of 6 December 2022 to Question 97592, how much of the £4,876,693 spent by his Department on performance bonus vouchers in 2021-22 was awarded to staff categorised in his Department's Workforce Management Information reports for that year as part of the headcount for his core ministerial department. (111)
- 457 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Answer of 16 October to Question 200250, how much of the £5,860,748 was spent on vouchers awarded to staff categorised in his Department's Workforce Management Information reports for 2022-23 as part of the headcount for his core ministerial department.
- 458 Andrew Western (Stretford and Urmston): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what guidance his Department issues to regional police forces on allowing legal representatives access to the booking-in desk in police custody suites. (644)
- 459 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Prime Minister, how many of his office's (a) press conferences, (b) social media posts and (c) webpages have been accessible to British Sign Language users since 25 October 2022. (322)
- 460 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Prime Minister, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of making Downing Street subject to the reporting requirements of Section 2 of the British Sign Language Act 2022 on a voluntary basis.

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- 461 Liam Byrne (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what (a) economic and (b) financial sanctions have been imposed on Chinese nationals in the last five years.

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- 462 Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many people who have paid voluntary National Insurance contributions for one or more years are waiting to have those contributions credited to their National Insurance record; what the average waiting time is between paying voluntary National Insurance contributions and having them credited to a National Insurance record; and when he expects individuals to be able to view such contributions online.

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- 463 Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate his Department has made of the number of closures of (a) bank branches and (b) free-to-use ATMs in (i) Enfield North constituency, (ii) the London Borough of Enfield and (iii) London in each of the last three years. (582)
- 464 **Dehenna Davison** (Bishop Auckland): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what business rates will be in each of the next five years. (478)
- 465 David Duguid (Banff and Buchan): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues to help attract investment in offshore wind manufacturing. (386)
- 466 Patrick Grady (Glasgow North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of removing VAT on period pants. (274)
- 467 Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of expanding the 100 per cent funding for small businesses taking on an apprentice younger than 19 to include medium-sized businesses. (538)
- 468 Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of raising the VAT registration threshold to £250,000. (542)
- 469 Jonathan Gullis (Stoke-on-Trent North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of ending the high income child benefit charge. (543)
- 470 Sir George Howarth (Knowsley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many companies used the Section 317 exemption of the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 in the latest period for which data is available. (64)
- 471 Sir George Howarth (Knowsley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of expanding the Section 317 exemption of the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 to include (a) local restaurants and (b) other businesses in close proximity to company premises. (65)
- 472 Sir George Howarth (Knowsley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department has issued recent guidance on the use of subsidised meal schemes by (a) home and (b) other remote workers. (69)

- 473 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to extend the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Business Rates
 Relief Scheme beyond the current deadline. (143)
- 474 Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to increase funding for suicide prevention in the 2023 Autumn Statement. (375)
- 475 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, whether he plans to take steps to promote research in Welsh universities in the context of the Welsh universities showcasing event held on 17 October 2023. (397)
- 476 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether it remains her policy to ban conversion therapy. (507)
- 477 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, when she plans to bring forward legislative proposals to tackle conversion practices affecting LGBT people. (482)
- 478 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what recent discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Transport on tackling the impact of pavement parking on disabled people. (32)

Questions for Answer on Friday 10 November

- 1N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Answer of 23 October 2023 to Question 203412 on Electricity: Standing Charges, whether costs are calculated according to the location of where energy is (a) produced and (b) landed. (503)
- 2N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate he has made of the number of people who use vapes (a) as an aide to stop smoking cigarettes and (b) who did not previously smoke by (i) age, (ii) gender, (iii) ethnicity, (iv) socio-economic status and (v) integrated care system (A) location and (B) sub-location.
- 3N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many deaths in care homes relating to covid-19 were registered in the Metropolitan Borough of Oldham in each month since January 2020.
- 4N Alex Davies-Jones (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what data her Department has used to train AI systems used in immigration decision-making; and if she will publish that data. (609)

- 5N Bell Ribeiro-Addy (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the terms of reference for the review of investigatory arrangements which follow police use of force and police driving related incidents 2023, published on 24 October 2023, what assessment she has made of (a) the adequacy of the length of time provided for responses and (b) the potential impact of that length of time on the number of submissions that will be received.
- 6N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what risk assessments were carried out on prisoners who were transferred to Category D prisons as part of the Restricted Open Estate Transfer Scheme launched in September 2023. (246)

Questions for Answer on Monday 13 November

- 1N Wayne David (Caerphilly): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent progress the Government has made on implementing the recommendations in the report by (a) Sir Robert Francis entitled Compensation and Redress for the Victims of Infected Blood: Recommendations for a Framework, published on 7 June 2022, and (b) the Infected Blood Inquiry entitled Second Interim Report, published on 5 April 2023; and if he will make a statement.
- 2N Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many (a) veterans and (b) family members of veterans have received the Nuclear Test Medal. (623)
- 3N Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many (a) veterans and (b) family members of veterans are eligible for the Nuclear Test Medal. (624)
- 4N Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the oral contribution of the Minister for Veterans' Affairs of 19 September 2023 on Resettlement of Afghans, Official Report, column 1253, how many people from Afghanistan have waited more than two years for their ARAP applications to be processed; for what reason processing those applications has taken that long; and how many people from Afghanistan were awaiting a decision on their application as of 19 October 2023. (459)
- 5N Chris Stephens (Glasgow South West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications of the Employment Appeal Tribunal ruling in the 2017 case of Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council v Willetts & Ors for the calculation of holiday pay entitlement for staff in his Department.

- 6N Chris Stephens (Glasgow South West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to reply to the letter of 22 August 2023 from the Public and Commercial Services Union on the ruling in Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council v Willetts & Ors.
- 7N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what proportion of cars produced in the UK were hybrid electric in (a) 2021 and (b) 2022. (89)
- 8N Alison Thewliss (Glasgow Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many private limited companies that formed in 2021 have filed accounts with HMRC as of 7 November 2023. (271)
- 9N **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the advertising of high-carbon products on (a) consumer choice and (b) the ability of the Government to fulfill its net zero ambitions. (278)
- 10N Lilian Greenwood (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of rising prices on the financial position of (a) arts organisations, (b) heritage organisations and (c) charities. (187)
- 11N Lilian Greenwood (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make an estimate of the proportion of (a) all children, (b) children educated in state schools and (c) children educated in private schools who have attended a live theatre performance by the end of (i) primary and (ii) secondary education. (188)
- 12N **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to help families with the cost of school bus fares in (a) Bournemouth East constituency and(b) the South West. (98)
- 13N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to publish apprenticeship start data by (a) industry and (b) sector for the (i) 2021-22 and (ii) 2022-23 academic year. (229)
- 14N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many apprenticeship starts there were in the construction sector in the (a) 2021-22 and (b) 2022-23 academic year. (230)
- 15N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department plans to publish a T-Level 2023-2024 action plan. (231)
- 16N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many students started T-Level courses in Hounslow Local Authority in the (a) 2021-2022 and (b) 2022-2023 academic year. (232)

17N Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools have asbestos on their estate; how many schools have an asbestos management plan in place; and what funding her Department has provided to the London Borough of Harrow for the (a) removal and (b) management of asbestos in each of the last 13 years.

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18N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department are taking to provide financial support for energy costs to people with (a) Motor Neurone Disease and (b) other conditions who run assistive medical equipment in their homes.

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19N Jonathan Edwards (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to her Department's consultation entitled Planning for new energy infrastructure: revisions to National Policy Statements, when she plans to publish the revised National Policy Statement EN-5.

(154)

20N Jonathan Edwards (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will commission a working group to consider advances in cable ploughing technology before publishing a new EN-5 Electricity Networks National Policy Statement. (155)

21N Mark Garnier (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent steps her Department has taken to increase the use of tidal stream renewable energy technologies; and whether she has had recent discussions with her international counterparts on the use of this technology. (193)

- 22N Mark Garnier (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of (a) maintaining a ringfence for tidal stream renewable energy technologies in allocation round six of the Contracts for Difference scheme and (b) setting a target of 1GW for tidal stream technologies by 2035. (194)
- 23N Mark Garnier (Wyre Forest): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she plans to amend the methodology used to set administrative strike prices for all renewable technologies in the Contracts for Difference allocation round six. (195)
- 24N **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of the powers of the Energy Ombudsman to implement its rulings in (a) full and (b) a timely manner. (291)
- 25N Kenny MacAskill (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring energy providers to charge uniform standing charges for domestic users in all regions. (504)

26N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring energy suppliers to credit domestic users where energy is (a) produced and (b) landed in their locality.

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27N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has had recent discussions with (a) energy companies and (b) the German Energy Agency on a subsea cable to transfer renewable energy from Scottish offshore windfarms to Germany.

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28N **Anne McLaughlin** (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether her Department plans to provide increased levels of financial support to consumers who have accumulated energy debt.

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- 29N **Anne McLaughlin** (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a temporary help to repay scheme that provides repayment matching and debt relief for energy arrears that cannot be afforded by consumers. (283)
- 30 **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many ECO 4 installations were undertaken in (a) the UK and (b) North Shropshire constituency in the last 12 months. (628)
- Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment she has made of trends in the number of ECO 4 installations undertaken in (a) the UK and (b) North Shropshire constituency in the last 12 months.
- Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether she is taking steps to encourage more people to take up the Warm Home Discount Scheme during winter 2023-24. (631)
- 33N **Mrs Heather Wheeler** (South Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment she has made of the implications for her polices of the planned installation of a (a) sub-sea electricity generation and (b) storage connection between the UK and Morocco by 2030. [R] (192)
- 34N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether it remains her policy to bring forward legislative proposals to make the abduction of (a) cats and (b) other pets a criminal offence. (599)
- 35N **Sir Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will (a) take steps with stakeholders to understand the (i) circumstances which led to Southern Water cutting off water supplies to households in the Waterside area of New Forest East constituency during the evening of Thursday 2 November 2023, (ii) reasons for which the water supply was not resumed until the morning of Sunday 5 November and (iii) reasons for the lack of advance warning to customers, (b) make an assessment of the adequacy of support given by Southern Water to vulnerable customers whose water had been

- cut off and (c) make it her policy to require water companies to increase their resilience levels to ensure they can deliver water to customers during periods of similarly heavy rainfall in the future.
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- 36N Alison Thewliss (Glasgow Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the cost to the public purse of (a) digital and (b) print advertising in Scotland by her Department was in each month of the last eight years. (270)
- 37N Sir Stephen Timms (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, for what reason the rules on local authority Right to Buy receipts limit their use to re-purchase homes previously sold to their tenants. (16)
- 38N Mr David Davis (Haltemprice and Howden): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the (a) adequacy of the work of the Counter Disinformation Unit and (b) impact of that work on freedom of speech. (43)
- 39N Peter Kyle (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to the Answer of 19 October 2023 to Question 202862 on Companies: Social Media, how many of the social media companies in question have provided written responses confirming the steps they are taking to tackle

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40N Peter Kyle (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to identify new uses for AI in the public sector. (334)

extremely violent and anti-Semitic content.

- 41N Peter Kyle (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, when she plans to publish a response to the consultation entitled A pro-innovation approach to AI regulation. (335)
- 42N Louise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the Equality Impact Assessments undertaken by his Department on the recently proposed closures of rail ticket offices in England. (313)
- 43N Drew Hendry (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to help improve the timeliness of airline compensation payments. (292)
- 44N Grahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will take steps to reintroduce the sale of Advance Purchase on Departure fares from Northern Trains ticket offices. (163)
- 45N Gavin Robinson (Belfast East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the answer of 17 April 2023 to Question 176600 on Motor Vehicle Tyres (Labelling) (Enforcement) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, what recent progress his Department has made on reviewing its stock of Retained EU Law.

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- 46N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will provide additional funding to the Motability Scheme over the next three years.

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- 47N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when he last met with former Allied Steel and Wire employees to discuss their pensions campaign. (496)
- 48N **Kevin Foster** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent progress he has made on repairing the Torquay temporary jobcentre; and what his planned timetable is for when the work will be completed. (287)
- 49N **Gill Furniss** (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many applications for pension credit were received in the financial years (a) 2020-21, (b) 2021-22 and (c) 2022-23. (372)
- 50N Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Answer of 12 July 2023 to Question 193037 on Universal Credit: Armed Forces, how many Universal Credit claimants have been identified as (a) serving and (b) having served in the armed forces by local authority area for the most recent assessment period. (622)
- 51N **Stephen M^cPartland** (Stevenage): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential financial impact of proposed changes to the Work Capability Assessment on disabled people. (212)
- 52N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an estimate of the number of working Universal Credit recipients who received an incorrect payment as a result of an incorrect employer's real time information submission to HM Revenue and Customs in the latest month for which data is available.
- 53N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many work coaches have left their roles in each month since November 2021. (18)
- 54N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the workload of work coaches in job centres that are (a) taking part and (b) not taking part in the Additional Jobcentre Support Pilot. (19)
- 55N **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of allowing private tenants who would otherwise qualify for the Warm Homes Discount but are ineligible because they pay for their energy costs through their landlord to receive the Warm Homes Discount as a direct payment into their bank account. (486)

- 56N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 29 March 2023 to Question 173068 on Mental Health Services: Artificial Intelligence, when he plans to publish the results of the app testing.

 (373)
- 57N **Mr Nicholas Brown** (Newcastle upon Tyne East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his Department's expected timescale is for receiving the final report of Sir Brian Langstaff on the contaminated blood inquiry. (75)
- 58N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many times unauthorized parties have gained access to (a) sensitive data and (b) confidential information on the Federated Data Platform in the past twelve months.
- 59N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of hospitals with accident and emergency units have supplies of Sotrovimab. (500)
- 60N Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the supply of anti-viral drug Sotrovimab for immunocompromised patients. (501)
- 61N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the number of (a) dentists, (b) GPs and (c) pharmacists per 100,000 people in each integrated care system area; and if he will publish those estimates by Index of Multiple Deprivation. (380)
- 62N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the letter of 7 March 2023 from the then Minister for Social Care to the Chief Executive of the British Liver Trust, whether it remains his policy that fibroscans will be in use at 100 community diagnostic centres by March 2025; how many fibroscans have been delivered to community diagnostic centres since March 2023; and whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of setting a new target.
- 63N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to inform patients about the (a) Federated Data Platform and (b) use of their data. (295)
- 64N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that the Federated Data Platform protects the confidentiality of patient details outside of (a) clinical and (b) research requirements.
- 65N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that the provider of the Federated Data Platform is prohibited from selling data. (297)

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66N	Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department plans to take to monitor the use of the Federated Data Platform.	(298)
67N	Navendu Mishra (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of NHS continence services.	(535)
68N	Navendu Mishra (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure equitable access to palliative and end of life care services.	(536)
69	Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues to help ensure tha Meals on Wheels services are adequately resourced to meet the (a) nutritional needs and (b) social well-being of (i) older and (ii) disabled people.	t (615)
70N	Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support the (a) recruitment and (b) retention of (i) GPs and (ii) dentists in Mid Bedfordshire constituency.	(645)
71N	Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many children aged four and under were admitted to hospital for a tooth extraction due to decay in Mid Bedfordshire constituency in each of the last 5 years.	(646)
72N	Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of children aged 11 and under were admitted to hospital for a tooth extraction due to decay in each of the last 5 years in Mid Bedfordshire constituency.	s (647)
73N	Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce the time taken to access dental services in Mid Bedfordshire constituency.	(648)
74N	Alistair Strathern (Mid Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate he has made of the number of people on waiting lists for GP appointments as of November 2023 in Mid Bedfordshire constituency.	(649)
75N	Derek Thomas (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps to ensure patients with Huntington's Disease have access to community mental health services when psychiatric symptoms are present.	(363

76N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to take steps to help women over 40 access IVF

treatment.

77N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether any Hong Kong national legally resident in Northern Ireland is the subject of an arrest warrant application from China.

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- 78N Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his
 counterparts in the Middle East on steps that can be taken to help end violence in
 Israel and Gaza. (589)
- 79N Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made
 of the level of humanitarian aid required in Gaza; and whether the Government
 plans to increase the UK's humanitarian aid contribution in response to the
 ongoing situation in Gaza. (590)
- 80N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what estimate his Department has made of the number of attacks on healthcare facilities in (a) the occupied West Bank and (b) East Jerusalem since 7 October 2023. (426)
- 81N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps his Department has taken to help protect medical infrastructure in Gaza. (427)
- 82N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what consular support his Department is providing to (a) hostages held in Gaza and (b) their families. (429)
- 83N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the humanitarian impact of the decision of Pakistan to return refugees to Afghanistan. (199)
- 84N Lisa Nandy (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help support UK nationals who have been evacuated from Gaza to Egypt since October 2023. (200)
- 85N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Egyptian counterpart on support for UK citizens evacuated from Gaza to Egypt. (201)
- 86N Lisa Nandy (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department has taken to help ensure the return to the UK of British citizens in Egypt who have been evacuated from Gaza. (202)
- 87N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support the people of Nepal following the recent earthquake in that country. (203)

- 88N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to his Department's publication of ministerial travel data for April to June 2023, how much of the published £12,852.44 cost of his trip to New Delhi from 28 February to 3 March was made up of his (a) share of the £157,888.17 cost of the flights for that trip, (b) accommodation and (c) meals and other expenses.
- 89N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to his Department's publication of ministerial travel data for April to June 2023, how much of the published £12,149.46 cost of his trip to Washington DC from 17 to 19 January was made up of his (a) share of the £178,761.86 cost of the flights for that trip, (b) accommodation and (c) meals and other expenses.
- 90N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to his Department's publication of ministerial travel data for April to June 2023, how much of the published £22,860.38 cost of his trip to the Caribbean and Latin America from 17 to 25 May was made up of his (a) share of the £422,747.50 cost of the flights for that trip, (b) accommodation and (c) meals and other expenses. (108)
- 91N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to his Department's publication of ministerial travel data for April to June 2023, how much of the published £38,555.99 cost of his trip to Japan, the Pacific Islands, New Zealand and Indonesia from 15 to 22 April was made up of his (a) share of the £561,531.04 cost of the flights for that trip, (b) accommodation and (c) meals and other expenses.
- 92N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential human rights impact of the return of Afghan refugees from Pakistan to Afghanistan. (343)
- 93N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has made representations to the Government of Pakistan following the announcement of the return of Afghan refugees to Afghanistan. (344)
- 94N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the implications for his policies of reports on the forced return of North Korean defectors from China. (345)
- 95N Mick Whitley (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the
 adequacy of steps his Department is taking to help reduce global (a) spread
 of lethal disease and (b) infant mortality among individuals who lack access to
 adequate toilet facilities. (485)

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- 96N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will review the remit of the Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner.
- 97N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to publish the Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration's report on the Afghan Resettlement Scheme. (499)
- 98N **Joanna Cherry** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of including time spent awaiting an asylum decision within the five year period applicants must be in the UK before they may apply for indefinite leave to remain. (257)
- 99N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will provide a timescale for the introduction of safe access zones near abortion clinics. (153)
- 100NPatrick Grady (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2023 to Question 202782, if
 she will make it her policy to ensure that there are no fees chargeable for any
 extension to the Ukrainian visa schemes. (273)
- 101NAnne McLaughlin (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department is taking steps to expedite applications for resettlement to the UK by Afghan nationals in Pakistan who are at risk of being removed to Afghanistan. (286)
- 102NNavendu Mishra (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of police officers at the rank of (a) sergeant and (b) inspector have left Greater Manchester Police in each of the last five years.
- 103NBell Ribeiro-Addy (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she took into account the findings of the Baroness Casey Review when formulating the terms of reference for her Department's review of investigations after police use of force. (487)
- 104NBell Ribeiro-Addy (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with which third party organisations her Department consulted on the scope of the terms of reference for its review of investigations after police use of force.

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- 105NLloyd Russell-Moyle (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when her Department became aware of legionnaire's disease on the Bibby Stockholm. (389)
- 106NAlison Thewliss (Glasgow Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure the safety of Afghan people who have been accepted for transfer to the UK who have remained in Pakistan after 1 November 2023. (268)

107NAlison Thewliss (Glasgow Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether all Afghan people who have been accepted for transfer to the UK will fly in on flights arranged by the Government.	(269)
108NAlison Thewliss (Glasgow Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many unaccompanied asylum seeking children that have gone missing from hotels are unaccounted for as of 7 November 2023.	(272)
109NMaria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to encourage more women to join the defence workforce.	(70)
110N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to promote (a) apprenticeships and (b) other training opportunities in the defence sector.	(71)
111N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to support the UK steel industry in defence procurement.	(72)
112N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if his Department will sign the UK Steel Charter.	(73
113N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the use of imported steel in defence procurement.	(74
114N John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many RAF flights carrying humanitarian aid destined for Gaza took off from UK bases since 7 October 2023; and how much aid in tonnes was on those flights.	(45)
115N John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether (a) RFA Argus and (b) RFA Lyne Bay are deployed in the eastern Mediterranean.	(46)
116N John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many surveillance flights have taken place as part of the UK deployment to the eastern Mediterranean to support (a) Israel and (b) wider regional security since October 2023.	(47)
117N John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many aircraft have been deployed to the eastern Mediterranean to support (a) Israel and (b) wider regional security.	(48)
118N John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what military assets are being used to transport humanitarian aid as part of the UK's response to the Israel - Gaza war.	(49

119N Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many veterans have received their Veteran ID card under the Veteran's Recognition Scheme as of 1 November 2023.	(620)
120NRachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many veterans have received their Veteran ID card in each local authority area under the Veterans' Recognition Scheme as of 1 November 2023.	(621)
121N Mr Kevan Jones (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he is taking steps to support UK shipyards to be competitive against foreign state-owned shipyards when bidding for work through the 30-year pipeline.	(93)
122N Mr Kevan Jones (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he plans to publish the Autonomous Collaborative Platforms strategy.	(94)
123N Mr Kevan Jones (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of acquiring ultra low-cost air vehicles for the Royal Air Force on levels of (a) capability and (b) force mass.	(95)
124N Mr Kevan Jones (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what is planned timetable is for the E-7 Wedgetail programme to enable the UK to contribute to NATO Airborne Early Warning and Control operations.	(96)
125N Anne McLaughlin (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Afghan people under which schemes his Department plans to transfer from Pakistan in the next 12 weeks.	(285)
126N Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Answers of 25 October 2023 to Questions 203700, 203701 and 203702 on Armed Forces: Housing, when he plans to provide detailed responses to those Questions.	(456)
127N Ruth Cadbury (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, which prisons have a prison cell that does not contain a toilet.	(244)
128NRuth Cadbury (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of prison cells do not contain a toilet.	(245)
129NRuth Cadbury (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, on how many days staff in the probation service were absent as a result of (a) stress and (b) work-induced stress in 2022.	(247)
130NRuth Cadbury (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, for what reason a pre transfer assessment was not carried out on each prisoner moved as part of the Restricted Open Estate Transfer Scheme launched in September 2023.	(248)

131N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference his Oral Statement of 16 October 2023 on Prison Capacity, Official Report, columns 58 to 69, what steps his Department is taking to support the rehabilitation of offenders.

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132NGrahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Question 9 of oral evidence taken before the Justice Committee on 24 October 2023, HC 1929, Session 2022–23, what the (a) leaving and (b) vacancy rates were of (i) prison officers and (ii) operational support staff, by prison, in the latest period for which information is available.

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133NGrahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Question 13 of oral evidence taken before the Justice Committee on 24 October 2023, HC 1929, Session 2022–23, which prisons are (a) sending and (b) receiving prison officers under detached duty; and how many prison officers are affected.

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- 134NGrahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Question 9 of oral evidence taken before the Justice Committee on 24 October 2023, HC 1929, Session 2022–23, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the adequacy of the levels of pay of (a) prison officers and (b) operational support staff on (i) leaving and (ii) vacancy rates. (160)
- 135N**Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Question 13 of oral evidence taken before the Justice Committee on 24 October 2023, HC 1929, Session 2022–23, on what date the policy of detached duty was introduced; and for how long it is planned to continue. (161)
- 136NLiz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Q30 of the oral evidence given by the Minister for Prisons and Probation to the Justice Committee on 24 October 2023, HC 1929, what estimate he has made of staffing underspends in the Probation Service. (339)
- 137NLiz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an estimate of the number and proportion of probation officers that have workloads that are too high in each region. (340)
- 138NEmily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much his Department spent on (a) council tax, (b) security and (c) other maintenance costs for the empty Wellington Mews properties at HMP Pentonville in financial years (i) 2019-20, (ii) 2020-21 and (iii) 2022-23. (105)
- 139N Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, if he will hold discussions with the Department for Infrastructure in Northern Ireland on taking steps to help support businesses affected by flooding in Newry, Mourne and Down District. (591)

- 140NClaire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, whether he plans to meet businesses affected by recent flooding in (a) Newry and (b) Downpatrick. (592)
- 141NIan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to provide ringfenced funding to (a) local authorities and (b) integrated care systems for suicide prevention services at the Autumn Statement. (598)
- 142N**Mr David Davis** (Haltemprice and Howden): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of a UK central bank digital currency on the right to privacy. (44)
- 143NGill Furniss (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department is taking steps to help ensure that the cost saving arising from the removal of VAT on period products is passed onto consumers.

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- 144N**Anne McLaughlin** (Glasgow North East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to introduce a temporary Help to Repay scheme for energy debts in the Autumn Statement 2023. (284)
- 145NDerek Thomas (St Ives): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the cost to the public purse of waiving VAT on (a) defibrillators and (b) associated apparatus. (360)
- 146N**Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the Welsh language helpline for PAYE employer enquiries. (86)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions

- Simon Jupp (East Devon): What steps his Department is taking to help improve workplace support for women experiencing the menopause. (900000)
- 2 **Stephen Metcalfe** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of AI on the functioning of the welfare system. (900001)
- 3 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): What recent assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of Local Housing Allowance. (900002)
- 4 **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): What steps his Department is taking to reduce the number of children experiencing destitution. (900003)
- 5 **Liz Twist** (Blaydon): What steps his Department is taking to reduce the number of children experiencing destitution. (900004)
- 6 Mr Alistair Carmichael (Orkney and Shetland): If he will undertake a review of the Personal Independence Payment assessment process for people with multiple sclerosis. (900005)

- **Nickie Aiken** (Cities of London and Westminster): What assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the Hospitality Sector-based Work Academy Programme in Cities of London and Westminster constituency. (900006)
- **Karl M^cCartney** (Lincoln): What steps his Department is taking to help ensure parents pay child maintenance. (900007)
- **Michael Shanks** (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): What assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of Work Capability Assessments for people with neurological conditions. [R] (900008)
- **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): What steps his Department is taking to reduce the number of children experiencing destitution. (900009)
- **Keir Mather** (Selby and Ainsty): What steps his Department is taking to reduce the number of children experiencing destitution. (900010)
- **Priti Patel** (Witham): What steps his Department is taking to support people in Essex into employment. (900011)
- **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): What steps his Department is taking to reduce youth unemployment. (900012)
- **Chris Stephens** (Glasgow South West): What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of benefit levels in the context of rises in the cost of living. (900013)
- Mary Glindon (North Tyneside): What recent steps his Department has taken to help disabled people to find and remain in employment. (900014)
- John McNally (Falkirk): What recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of Government support for pensioners in the context of rises in the cost of living. (900015)
- 17 Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): Whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of proposed reforms to Work Capability Assessments on the (a) financial and (b) mental wellbeing of people with Parkinson's disease. (900016)
- **Greg Smith** (Buckingham): What steps his Department is taking to support more parents into work. (900017)
- **Nick Fletcher** (Don Valley): What steps his Department is taking to expand the support available through Jobcentres. (900018)
- **Ben Everitt** (Milton Keynes North): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of AI on the functioning of the welfare system. (900019)
- **David Duguid** (Banff and Buchan): What steps his Department is taking to help increase the uptake of Pension Credit. (900020)
- **Rob Butler** (Aylesbury): What steps his Department is taking to help people with the cost of living. (900021)
- 23 Marion Fellows (Motherwell and Wishaw): What assessment he has made of the potential impact of proposals in the Work Capability Assessment: activities and descriptors consultation on the number of disabled people living in poverty. (900022)

24	Virginia Crosbie (Ynys Môn): What steps his Department is taki	ng to reduce youth
	unemployment.	(900023)

25 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): What steps his Department is taking to reduce the number of children experiencing destitution. (900024)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions

T1	Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities.	(900025)
T2	Virginia Crosbie (Ynys Môn):	(900026)
T3	Mr Philip Hollobone (Kettering):	(900027)
T4	Andrew Jones (Harrogate and Knaresborough):	(900028)
T5	Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham):	(900029)
T6	Anne McLaughlin (Glasgow North East):	(900030)
T7	Paul Maynard (Blackpool North and Cleveleys):	(900031)
T8	Robbie Moore (Keighley):	(900032)
Т9	Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale):	(900033)
T10 Anthony Browne (South Cambridgeshire):		(900034)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 14 November

- 1N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to increase support for autistic (a) children and (b) young adults in the education system. (338)
- 2N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether specialist contractors have been appointed to carry out invasive structural assessment of system-built blocks approved in September 2022; and if she will make a statement. (517)
- 3N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools will take part in the invasive structural assessment of system-built blocks approved in September 2022; and if she will make a statement. (518)

- 4N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate she has made of the number of schools that will have completed the system-built block assessment by the end of 2023. (519)
- 5N Barry Gardiner (Brent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether Civil Service employees from core departments retained continuity of employment for contractual purposes when they transferred from working for their previous department to work for the Marine Management Organisation in 2009.
- 6N Barry Gardiner (Brent North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, under which staff-transfer protocol employees of core civil service Departments were transferred to the Marine Management Organisation in 2009; and whether this protocol has been applied to other employee transfers. (15)
- 7N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what her Department's planned timescale is for bringing forward legislative measures from the Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill.
- 8N Afzal Khan (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when she expects the World Health Organization's Air Quality Guideline levels for (a) PM2.5 and (b) NO2 pollution to be met. (449)
- 9N Afzal Khan (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to improve indoor air quality in (a) low-income homes and (b) urban areas. (450)
- 10N Afzal Khan (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of the decision to move the ban on the sale of new diesel and petrol cars from 2030 to 2035 on air pollution (a) in major cities and (b) across England.
- 11N Afzal Khan (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the Joint Air Quality Unit; and whether the Government has plans to (a) review and (b) expand that Unit.
- 12N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of migrating households from the public switched telephone network to the Digital Voice service on (a) the elderly and (b) people with disabilities. (337)
- 13N **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many returnerships have been created as of 7 November 2023.

- 14N **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many sector-based work academy programme starts have taken place as of 7 November 2023. (25)
- 15N **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many midlife MOTs have been completed in 2023 to 7 November. (26)
- 16N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number and proportion of care workers earning the minimum wage. (328)
- 17N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the cost to the public purse was of outsourcing radiology scans to external teleradiology companies in each of the last five years. (332)
- 18N **Dr Philippa Whitford** (Central Ayrshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the findings of Asthma and Lung UK's report entitled Saving your breath, published in September 2023, if he will make it his policy to increase funding for respiratory research to £141 million per year by 2030.
- 19N Kerry McCarthy (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will raise the matter of settler
 violence in the South Hebron Hills with the Israeli Government. (99)
- 20N **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an estimate of the levels of (a) fraud and (b) error in the amount of tax relief provided as part of the Government's R&D tax relief schemes between 2022 and 2023.

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 15 November

- 1N Sarah Atherton (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many male service personnel (a) joined and (b) left the (i) army, (ii) navy, (iii) air force and (iv) marines since September 2022. (610)
- 2N Sarah Atherton (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many female service personnel (a) joined and (b) left the (i) army, (ii) navy, (iii) air force and (iv) marines since September 2022. (611)