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Questions tabled on Friday 18 October 2024

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Questions for Answer on Monday 21 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Sorcha Eastwood** (Lagan Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the press release entitled Record-breaking International Investment Summit secures £63 billion and nearly 38,000 jobs for the UK, published on 14 October 2024, whether she has made an assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the proportion of (a) that investment that will be disbursed in and (b) those jobs that will be created in Northern Ireland. [Transferred] (9563)
- 2 **Damien Egan** (Bristol North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what diplomatic steps his Department is taking to secure an (a) ambitious and (b) legally binding target to cut plastic production at the UN Global Plastics Treaty. [Transferred] (9584)
- 3 **Tim Roca** (Macclesfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she plans to take steps to ensure that Cheshire East Council has the power to hold bus companies to account. [Transferred] (9895)
- 4 **Dr Beccy Cooper** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of improving access to healthy food on the number of people who cannot work due to long-term illness. [Transferred] (9630)
- 5 **Steve Darling** (Torbay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of providing auditory verbal therapy to deaf young children on (a) their employment prospects and (b) other outcomes. [Transferred] (9635)

- 6 **Uma Kumaran** (Stratford and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to expand access to mental health services in primary schools. [Transferred] (9856)
- 7 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information her Department holds on the number of fires that have been caused by the batteries of (a) e-scooters and (b) e-bikes in the last 12 months. [Transferred] (9791)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 22 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps he is taking to increase the (a) availability and (b) affordability of Post Office services in rural areas. (9946)
- 2 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 10 October to Question 6252 on Forced Labour, whether he has made an assessment of the effectiveness of potential steps he can take to help prevent goods from entering the UK market where there is evidence of forced labour in particular supply chains. (9924)
- 3 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether his Department is taking steps to increase green investment in the hospitality industry.(10019)
- 4 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what further steps he plans to take to support the hospitality sector in the Colne Valley constituency. (10020)
- 5 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing mandatory labelling on (a) furniture and (b) other products that have been tested on animals. (9980)
- 6 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps his Department is taking to encourage companies to invest in Basildon. (10030)
- 7 **Abtisam Mohamed** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact that a UPOV91 seed law may have small farmers in India. (9990)
- 8 **Mr Calvin Bailey** (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the resources available to the BBC World Service. (9974)

- 9 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answers of 17 September 2024 to Questions 4627, 4628, 4629, 4630 and 4631, what funding Sport England has provided to the Football Association in the same five year period referenced. (9916)
- 10 **Helen Grant** (Maidstone and Malling): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much funding has been allocated to (a) football, (b) rugby union, (c) rugby league, (d) cricket, (e) basketball and (f) netball facilities through the Multi-Sport Grassroots Facilities Programme since 2021. (9917)
- 11 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of introducing Mental Health Support teams in every school. (10017)
- 12 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will implement a national standard measure of children's wellbeing. (10018)
- 13 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to include a review of the current arrangements for religious education in the planned review of the national curriculum. (9920)
- 14 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she plans to hold discussions with the (a) National Association of Teachers of RE, (b) RE Council and (c) National Association of Standing Advisory Councils on RE on the Curriculum and Assessment Review. (9921)
- 15 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the proposal of the Religious Education Council's National Content Standard for Religious Education; and whether she plans to include the National Content Standard for Religious Education in the planned review of the National Curriculum. (9922)
- 16 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking to increase energy efficiency in (a) hospitals, (b) schools and (c) other public sector buildings. (9944)
- 17 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department has taken to help increase public understanding of the (a) costs and (b) benefits of reducing carbon emissions; and what steps he is taking to increase public awareness of practical steps they can take to reduce emissions. (10025)
- 18 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department holds information on the potential impact of electromagnetic fields from high-voltage electricity pylons on public health. (9931)

- 19 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to improve the energy efficiency of homes in South Holland and the Deepings constituency. (9899)
- 20 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department has made direct payments to the British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme under the guarantee arrangements before the surplus sharing arrangements ended. (9915)
- 21 **Steve Yemm** (Mansfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help lower the cost of electric vehicle charging. (10009)
- 22 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answers of 15 October 2024 to Questions 7849 and 8458 on Cats: Animal Breeding, whether his Department plans to include cat breeding in his Department's post-implementation review of the Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations 2018. (9947)
- 23 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will have discussions with major (a) supermarkets and (b) food retailers on reducing food waste. (9900)
- 24 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will arrange a meeting between the hon. Member for Great Yarmouth and the Minister of State for Food Security and Rural Affairs. (9995)
- 25 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate his Department has made of the impact of drought conditions on (a) the economy and (b) food supplies in each year since 2010. (9982)
- 26 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate his Department has made of the potential impact of rain conditions on (a) food supplies and (b) the economy in each year since 2010. (9983)
- 27 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions his Department has had with stakeholders on catchment-based water systems planning. (9988)
- 28 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that the water industry provides funding for catchment-based solutions for natural flood management. (9989)

- 29 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether she has made an assessment of the (a) costs and (b) benefits of smart motorways. (9991)
- 30 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment her Department has made of the relative merits of fixed fleet caps against dynamic fleet caps for micro mobility schemes in the UK. (9981)
- 31 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps her Department is taking to reduce the number of bus fires. (9986)
- 32 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of banning low level letter boxes on levels of sick leave in postal workers. (9939)
- 33 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of adopting European Standard EN 13724 on letter boxes. (9940)
- 34 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential relationship between the height of letter boxes and back injuries for post men and women. (9941)
- 35 **Richard Foord** (Honiton and Sidmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will take steps to ensure that people with incomes (a) that fluctuate and (b) from multiple sources are accurately assessed for Universal Credit; and if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing (i) savings and (ii) earnings thresholds for Universal Credit. (9970)
- 36 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 14 October to Question 6949 on Social Security Benefits: Foreign Nationals, if she will make it her policy to collect data on the nationality of those claiming benefits. (9992)
- 37 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions she has had with HSBC on pension clawback policy; and if she will make representations to HSBC on reviewing that policy. (10011)
- 38 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 18 July 2024 to Question 728 on Working Conditions: Temperature, when her Department plans to bring forward proposals for consultation on workplace temperatures. (9984)
- 39 **Mike Amesbury** (Runcorn and Helsby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing mental health support to people who have administered first aid on a casualty in the street. (9938)

- 40 **Stuart Anderson** (South Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he expects the publication of the National Screening Committee's review for prostate cancer. (9945)
- 41 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate his Department has made of the cost of the Hillingdon Hospital scheme. (10021)
- 42 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding the Hillingdon Hospital scheme received up until the 2023-24 financial year. (10022)
- 43 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much had been (a) allocated and (b) confirmed by the Treasury for (i) the Hillingdon Hospital scheme and (ii) the New Hospital Programme overall by 2 July 2024. (10023)
- 44 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish the (a) business case status and (b) RIBA stage of the Hillingdon Hospital scheme as part of the New Hospital Programme. (10024)
- 45 **Danny Beales** (Uxbridge and South Ruislip): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure people living with (a) arthritis and (b) musculoskeletal conditions are considered in the NHS 10-year plan. (10026)
- 46 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 4 October 2024 to Question UIN 7300 on Visual Impairment: Rehabilitation, what evidence informed his Department's decision not to regulate vision rehabilitation specialists. (10013)
- 47 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government is taking to improve breast cancer screening in Colne Valley constituency. (10016)
- 48 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many applications were made to the Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme in each of the last three years; and how many and what proportion of those applications were unsuccessful. (9994)
- 49 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what measures he plans to take to help improve access to NHS dentistry in Great Yarmouth constituency. (9998)
- 50 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he has taken to improve awareness of the hereditary risk of pancreatic cancer. (9985)

- 51 **Mark Swards** (Leeds South West and Morley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase the availability of (a) GP appointments and (b) other primary care services. (10002)
- 52 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department (a) is taking and (b) plans to take steps to support increased capacity for adult ADHD assessments in (i) Leeds and (ii) England. (9935)
- 53 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department (a) is taking steps and (b) plans to take steps to support the adult ADHD service in Leeds to reopen their referrals. (9936)
- 54 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds Central and Headingley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of the temporary suspension of non-urgent adult referrals by the adult ADHD service in Leeds on people with ADHD in that area. (9937)
- 55 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions his Department has had with residents of St Helena on the housing of illegal migrants from the Chagos Islands archipelago. (9908)
- 56 **Mike Tapp** (Dover and Deal): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps his Department has taken to help disrupt Iran's support for (a) Hamas, (b) Hezbollah and (c) the Houthis. (10012)
- 57 **Tracy Gilbert** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what support her Department is providing to help victims of sexual exploitation in Edinburgh North and Leith constituency exit prostitution. (10003)
- 58 **Tracy Gilbert** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to reduce demand for trafficking for sexual exploitation in Edinburgh North and Leith constituency. (10004)
- 59 **Tracy Gilbert** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the level of commercial sexual exploitation in Edinburgh North and Leith constituency. (10005)
- 60 **Tracy Gilbert** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to prevent organised crime groups advertising victims of (a) trafficking and (b) other sexual exploitation offences on websites advertising prostitution in Edinburgh North and Leith constituency. (10006)
- 61 **Tracy Gilbert** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help tackle pornography harms. (10007)

- 62 **Tracy Gilbert** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to prevent children being exposed to pornography. (10008)
- 63 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people have been granted visas to work in the United Kingdom in the last three years without passing criminal record checks. (9901)
- 64 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many spousal visas were rejected in each of the last five years by nationality. (9993)
- 65 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate her Department has made of the number of irregular migrants in the UK. (9996)
- 66 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to ensure that foreign nationals do not stay in the UK beyond their visa expiry date. (9999)
- 67 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what consultation her Department has conducted with the resident community on St Helena on the housing of illegal migrants from the Chagos Islands archipelago. (9909)
- 68 **Phil Brickell** (Bolton West): To ask the hon. Member for Blaenau Gwent and Rhymney, representing the House of Commons Commission, if the Commission will require All Party Parliamentary Groups to publish a list of all their members. [R] (9977)
- 69 **Mr Calvin Bailey** (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Joint Concept Note 2/18 entitled Information Advantage, published by his Department in November 2018, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of the level of resources available to the BBC World Service on the UK's (a) strategic information capability, (b) capacity to counter adversaries' use of information as a weapon and (c) capacity to use digital technology to achieve influence. (9973)
- 70 **Rupert Lowe** (Great Yarmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he plans to take to support homeless military veterans in Great Yarmouth constituency. (9997)
- 71 **Antonia Bance** (Tipton and Wednesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 14 October 2024 to Question 6735 on Temporary Accommodation: Costs, what assessment her Department has made of the potential savings to local government in respect of temporary accommodation costs of (a) the end of section 21 evictions and (b) the wider provisions in the Renters' Rights Bill. (9972)

- 72 **Ben Coleman** (Chelsea and Fulham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether she is taking steps to (a) simplify the process and (b) reduce the costs of extending the lease period for existing leaseholders. (10027)
- 73 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether her Department is taking steps to establish a (a) green and (b) decent homes programme. (10014)
- 74 **Paul Davies** (Colne Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to help tackle delays due to financial infeasibility in an increasing number of (a) social and (b) council house building projects. (10015)
- 75 **Paul Holmes** (Hamble Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate she has made of the number of additional homes that will be provided by the MADE Partnership. (9954)
- 76 **Paul Holmes** (Hamble Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what public procurement process was followed by Homes England when establishing the MADE Partnership. (9955)
- 77 **Paul Holmes** (Hamble Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether other lenders and housebuilders will be able to access equity investment from Homes England in similar arrangements to the MADE partnership. (9956)
- 78 **Paul Holmes** (Hamble Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate she has made of the revenue raised by the Residential Property Developer Tax. (9957)
- 79 **Paul Holmes** (Hamble Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate she has made of the proportion of revenue spent which has been generated by the Residential Property Developer Tax. (9958)
- 80 **Paul Holmes** (Hamble Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate she has made of the amount that has been reimbursed to the Building Safety Fund from signatories to the Developer Remediation Contract. (9959)
- 81 **Paul Holmes** (Hamble Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how much has been paid by (a) Kingspan and (b) all cladding manufacturers towards remediation of eligible buildings under the Developer Remediation Contract where their products have been used on eligible buildings. (9960)
- 82 **Alex Mayer** (Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if her Department will make an estimate of the number of households that are located on estate roads that have not been adopted by their local authority as of 17 October 2024. (9987)

- 83 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps she plans to take to help support the high streets in South Basildon and East Thurrock constituency. (10028)
- 84 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps her Department is taking to encourage companies to invest in Thurrock. (10031)
- 85 **Neil O'Brien** (Harborough, Oadby and Wigston): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will increase the fines available through section 38 of the London Local Authorities Act 1990. (9942)
- 86 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland and Fakenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of convicted postmasters has her Department contacted to inform them that their conviction has been quashed under the Post Office (Horizon System) Offences Act 2024. (9943)
- 87 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make it her policy to not raise alcohol duty. (9926)
- 88 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to protect pubs. (9927)
- 89 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to ensure the financial viability of community third spaces. (9928)
- 90 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of introducing an alcohol duty (a) exemption and (b) reduction for drinks that have a 15% or weaker alcohol by volume on community third places. (9929)
- 91 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will make an assessment of the implications for her policies on alcohol duty of the potential impact of having access to a (a) pub and (b) other community third space on mental health. (9930)
- 92 **Sarah Edwards** (Tamworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department plans to support the road haulage industry to meet government net zero targets through the National Wealth Fund. (9971)
- 93 **James MacCleary** (Lewes): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps she is taking to support people who let short-term furnished holiday properties. (10010)
- 94 **James McMurdock** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will support (a) pubs and (b) breweries in South Basildon and East Thurrock constituency through alcohol duty. (10029)

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- 95 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if she will ask the Office for Budget Responsibility to review its (a) price elasticity of demand and (b) other forecasting methodology for alcohol duty revenues. (9952)
- 96 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether she plans to end the duty stamps scheme. (9953)
- 97 **Shivani Raja** (Leicester East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the levels of funding for grassroots sports. (9975)
- 98 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, if she will amend the Equality Act 2010 to protect the right of people to silently pray in the United Kingdom. (9902)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 23 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Andrew Griffith** (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what guidance he issues to the Civil Service Commission on considering the Northcote-Trevelyan principles when assessing applications for appointment made by exception. (9966)
- 2N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she is taking steps to support (a) affordable and (b) open-access models in academic publishing. (9903)
- 3N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many former employees were recipients of the British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme in (a) Easington constituency and (b) the UK in October 2024. (9910)
- 4N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many dependents were recipients of the British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme in (a) Easington constituency and (b) the UK in October 2024. (9911)
- 5N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many members of the British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme have not reached pension age. (9912)
- 6N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many members of the British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme are yet to receive their pension because they have deferred their pension. (9913)

- 7N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department has made direct payments to the British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme under the existing guarantee arrangements. (9914)
- 8N **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of Thames Water's surface and foul water drainage asset management in the Runnymede and Weybridge constituency. (9950)
- 9N **Karl Turner** (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will take steps to (a) review and (b) amend the Allotments Act 1950 to strengthen the rights of allotment tenants. (9918)
- 10N **Karl Turner** (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to (a) ensure the accessibility of allotments for members of the community and (b) support local authorities in (i) improving facilities and (ii) ensuring inclusive access; and whether he has made an assessment of trends in the level of demand for allotment spaces. (9919)
- 11N **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government on the impact of excluding pitch fees from pension credit applications on park home residents. (9949)
- 12N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will take steps to ensure that participation in disability sports does not affect eligibility for the Personal Independence Payment. (9963)
- 13N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to review recent closures of GP surgeries. (10000)
- 14N **Steff Aquarone** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of establishing a fund to support GP services in (a) rural and (b) other remote areas. (10001)
- 15N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the 2024-25 funding allocations of the Accelerating Reform Fund will be released. (9968)
- 16N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of delaying the release of the 2024-25 funding allocation of the Accelerating Reform Fund on unpaid carers. (9969)
- 17N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help increase the number of defibrillators in sports stadiums. (9962)

- 18N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the written statement of 30 July 2024 on Adult Social Care Workforce, HCWS50, whether he plans to provide further funding for social work apprentice opportunities. (9964)
- 19N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the written statement of 30 July 2024 on Adult Social Care Workforce, HCWS50, whether he plans to make a further statement about how funding for Adult Social Care Learning and Development will be administered. (9965)
- 20N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the impact of (a) UK and (b) other countries' sanctions on individual vessels on preventing Russian circumvention of oil export sanctions. (9907)
- 21N **Gavin Robinson** (Belfast East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps to provide British citizenship to the children of British National (Overseas) passport holders from Hong Kong that are in the UK. (9925)
- 22N **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment she has made of the impact of her increased housing targets on sewerage capacity by (a) water company region and (b) constituency. (9948)
- 23N **Alex Burghart** (Brentwood and Ongar): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, pursuant to his Answer of 17 October to Question 8847 on Terrorism: Northern Ireland, for what reason he will not publish the details of these requests. (9932)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 24 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Phil Brickell** (Bolton West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to reform the Advisory Committee on Business Appointments by (a) making it statutory, (b) providing it with greater enforcement powers and (c) increasing its level of resourcing. (9976)
- 2N **Phil Brickell** (Bolton West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of (a) placing the House of Lords Appointment Commission (HOLAC) on a statutory footing, (b) providing HOLAC with a right of veto where candidates are not deemed fit and proper, (c) requiring the publication of supporting rationale for HOLAC decision making and (d) requiring increased scrutiny of proposed appointments where candidates have (i) acted as a fundraiser for and (ii) made sizeable financial contributions to a political party. (9978)

- 3N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will hold discussions with universities on the value for money of their contracts with academic publishers for (a) journal subscriptions and (b) open-access publishing. (9904)
- 4N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she is taking steps with academic publishers to help ensure that they are not influenced by foreign powers that seek to (a) censor and (b) otherwise restrict the dissemination of research. (9905)
- 5N **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential (a) impact of inflation on thresholds for qualification as a large business under Extended Producer Responsibility and (b) merits of staggered thresholds. (9923)
- 6N **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help improve the treatment of long covid in the NHS. (9967)
- 7N **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham Hodge Hill and Solihull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the sanctions placed on individual vessels announced by his Department on 11 September 2024 and 17 October 2024, what additional steps he has (a) taken and (b) considered with Cabinet colleagues to help prevent Russia circumventing oil export sanctions. (9906)
- 8N **Jess Brown-Fuller** (Chichester): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will have discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of reforming the electoral system used to elect Members of Parliament. [Transferred] (900838)
- 9N **Zöe Franklin** (Guildford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of lowering the voting age to 16. [Transferred] (900841)
- 10N **Olly Glover** (Didcot and Wantage): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if she will have discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of reforming the electoral system used to elect Members of Parliament. [Transferred] (900849)
- 11N **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of pregnant women held in prison between 2023 and 2024 were on remand. (9951)
- 12N **Phil Brickell** (Bolton West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential risk of the use of e-payment platforms for money laundering; and whether those platforms are used to launder criminal money originating from Russia. (9979)

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- 13N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South and Mid Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many applications for funding from the UK Infrastructure Bank for schemes in Northern Ireland were (a) awarded and (b) rejected. (9961)
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Questions for Answer on Monday 28 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to provide £400 million for (a) employment support and (b) resources for (i) musculoskeletal and (ii) mental health services. (9933)
- 2N **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to provide £400 million for scaling up musculoskeletal hubs. (9934)
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 31 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Manuela Perteghella** (Stratford-on-Avon): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what support her Department provides to UK artists touring in the EU. [Transferred] (9837)