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Questions tabled on Thursday 3 December 2020

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 - [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.
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Questions for Answer on Monday 7 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Attorney General, what proportion of the vehicles used by her Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124845)
- 2 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124846)
- 3N **Alison McGovern** (Wirral South): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of trends in the number of redundancies in the charity sector. [Transferred] (124174)
- 4 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will make it his policy to publish regular redundancy statistics that combine age and sex data. [Transferred] (124330)
- 5 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the effect of the role of the China General Nuclear Power Group in Britain's nuclear power plants on UK security. [Transferred] (124314)
- 6 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124835)

- 7 **Marion Fellows** (Motherwell and Wishaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when Post Office Ltd will publish its annual report and accounts. (124777)
- 8 **Darren Henry** (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent assessment his Department has made of the extent to which supermarkets have been covid-secure during the covid-19 outbreak. [Transferred] (124327)
- 9N **Mr Richard Holden** (North West Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many people with (a) cancer, (b) fibromyalgia, (c) multiple sclerosis and (d) other serious conditions each of the covid-19 vaccines have been tested on. [Transferred] (124337)
- 10 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions he has had with the Welsh Government on the effect of the collapse of the Arcadia Group on employees of that company in Newport West constituency. (124864)
- 11 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to encourage the commercialisation of university research in the UK. (124745)
- 12N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much of the £14.6 billion for Research and Development, announced in the Spending Review 2020 will be allocated to medical research. [Transferred] (124160)
- 13 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will bring forward proposals to tackle fuel poverty. [Transferred] (124121)
- 14 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what plans his Department has to ensure the retention of highly skilled workers in the creative industries. (124883)
- 15 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment he has made of the potential economic effect of the English covid-19 tiers system on the performing arts sector. (124884)
- 16 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps his Department is taking to reduce Islamophobic bullying and harassment on social media. (124893)
- 17 **Sir Alan Campbell** (Tynemouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if he will urgently review the tier regulations on the opening and use of ice rinks for individual and non-elite athletes. (124686)

- 18 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124838)
- 19 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps he has taken to support amateur boxing during the covid-19 outbreak. (124869)
- 20 **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of covid-19 restrictions on sports which prevent adults from travelling between local authorities but enable coaches, umpires and under-18s to do so. (124833)
- 21 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps his Department is taking to provide financial support to (a) smaller and (b) independent media organisations during the covid-19 outbreak. (124657)
- 22 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, how he plans to allocate the £250 million of diversification strategy funding. (124752)
- 23 **Mark Pawsey** (Rugby): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps he took to provide adult gaming centres with the opportunity to adopt similar measures to licensed betting offices in order to re-open in tier 3 areas from 2 December 2020. (124735)
- 24 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what the average broadband speed is in the Hemsworth constituency. (124671)
- 25 **Pete Wishart** (Perth and North Perthshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions he has had with the commercial music industry on the difficulties of procuring insurance for live music events. (124690)
- 26 **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when he plans to respond to the letter from the hon. Member for West Lancashire of 2 October 2020 on an incident suffered by a constituent's child at school, reference ZA53261. (124697)
- 27 **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will make an assessment of the risk to clinically extremely vulnerable parents of sending their children to school. (124703)
- 28 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124839)

- 29 **Colleen Fletcher** (Coventry North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the average class size in (a) primary and (b) secondary schools in (i) Coventry North East Constituency, (ii) Coventry, (iii) the West Midlands and (iv) England. (124765)
- 30 **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department took to estimate private device ownership to inform its allocation of devices to support disadvantaged children in the 2020-21 academic year. (124721)
- 31 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the cost to universities of testing all students returning in the new year 2021; and what assessment he has made of the potential merits of providing financial support to universities to deliver those tests. (124853)
- 32 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference the National Audit Office report, Investigation into free school meal voucher scheme, published 2 December, if he will utilise the provision in Edenred's contract to deliver the free school meal voucher scheme to access the information about (a) Edenred's income and (b) cost relating to the Scheme. (124693)
- 33 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much additional funding has been allocated to schools in (a) Norfolk and (b) Norwich South constituency for health and safety adaptations during the covid-19 outbreak. (124796)
- 34 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much additional funding has been allocated to schools in (a) Norfolk and (b) Norwich South constituency for the provision of personal protective equipment to keyworkers in schools. (124797)
- 35 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to help improve the development of language skills in early education. (124743)
- 36 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to (a) monitor and (b) enforce schools' compliance with the requirements on political impartiality in the provisions of the Education Act 1996. (124744)
- 37 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to Answer of 21 October to Question 104751 on the regional breakdown for pupils in attendance on 15 October in responding schools, if he will provide updated data for an equivalent day in November on school attendance by local authority. (124772)

- 38 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent discussions he has had with the Vice-Chancellor of the Open University on virtual teaching in schools in England. (124674)
- 39 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to (a) publicise the Period Products Scheme and (b) increase school participation in that scheme. (124813)
- 40 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans he has to prevent microplastics from tyre degradation from flowing into rivers and seas. (124675)
- 41 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effect of tyre degradation on air pollution. (124676)
- 42 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the effect on air quality of (a) road surface wear and (b) road dust resuspension. (124677)
- 43 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with Sainsbury's on improving the sustainability of their vehicle fleet. (124678)
- 44 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with Tesco Plc on improving the sustainability of their vehicle fleet. (124679)
- 45 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with Asda on improving the sustainability of their vehicle fleet. (124680)
- 46 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with Waitrose and Partners on improving the sustainability of their vehicle fleet. (124681)
- 47 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with Mark and Spencer on improving the sustainability of their vehicle fleet. (124682)
- 48 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether riot gear sold to the US has been used against peaceful protestors. (124871)
- 49 **Joanna Cherry** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what proportion of applications for export licences have been declined where the item is being exported to (a) China and (b) a third country where the purchaser is a Chinese registered firm or has been deemed to have links with China in each quarter of (i) 2018, (ii) 2019 and (iii) 2020. (124774)

- 50 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 7 September 2020 to Question 78468 on Mozambique: Liquefied Natural Gas, if she will publish the most recent conclusions relating to her Department from the Government's ongoing review of its support for the fossil fuel industry. (124872)
- 51 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what proportion of the vehicles used by her Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124837)
- 52 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the UK's co-chairmanship of the intergovernmental Equal Rights Coalition since July 2019. (124694)
- 53 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what discussions she has had with her (a) Commonwealth and (b) other international counterparts on progress towards the founding principles and commitments of the intergovernmental Equal Rights Coalition as a condition of agreeing or maintaining preferential trading relationships with the UK. (124695)
- 54 **Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Transport for London press notice, published 1 December on an agreed funding and financing package for the final phase of the Crossrail project, (a) what is the total value of the loan, (b) what is the repayment period of the loan, (c) do interest rates agreed in the package accord with the current Public Works Loan Board and (d) if he will make a statement. [Transferred] (124245)
- 55 **Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether legislative proposals are required to facilitate the loan package agreed with the Greater London Assembly for the completion of Crossrail. [Transferred] (124246)
- 56 **Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what criteria he uses to determine the site of rail freight interchanges. (124874)
- 57N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the benefits of the eastern leg of Phase 2b of High Speed Two on the economies of (a) the north of England, (b) Yorkshire and the Humber and (c) the Sheffield City Region. [R] [Transferred] (124191)
- 58N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the economic effect of delays to the eastern leg of Phase 2b of High Speed Two. [R] [Transferred] (124192)

- 59 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what comparative estimate he has made of the number of driving tests taken between April and September at (a) Duns, (b) Hawick, (c) Peebles, (d) Galashiels, and (e) Kelso driving test centres, this year and in the previous three years. (124827)
- 60 **Giles Watling** (Clacton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to help ensure that (a) Clacton constituency and (b) deprived coastal areas in the South are included in the Government's levelling up agenda. (124860)
- 61 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of the vehicles used by her Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124836)
- 62 **Chris Elmore** (Ogmore): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether the Government of Australia has made representations to the Government on negotiating a reciprocal social security agreement that includes the uprating of pensions. (124819)
- 63 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress he has made on rolling out the regular testing of care home residents' families in (a) Poplar and Limehouse and (b) throughout England. (124887)
- 64 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the Rare Disease Framework will include measures to help people with rare diseases to access psychological support. (124727)
- 65 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what funding he plans to allocate to support the Rare Disease Framework. (124728)
- 66 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce diagnosis times for people living with rare diseases; and whether the Rare Disease Framework will include targets on earlier diagnosis. (124729)
- 67 **Sir Alan Campbell** (Tynemouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions the Government has had with the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation on including unpaid carers in its priority list for the covid-19 vaccine. (124687)
- 68 **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to the letter from the hon. Member for West Lancashire of 7 October 2020 on covid-19 testing for care workers, reference ZA53914. (124696)
- 69 **Alberto Costa** (South Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to protect people from fraudulent advertising online of untested or misleading covid-19 vaccines. (124775)

- 70 **Alberto Costa** (South Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to introduce a form of proof for people who have received a covid-19 vaccine. (124776)
- 71 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124840)
- 72 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to publish a list of the hospitals that will be prioritised for the first round of covid-19 vaccination. (124854)
- 73 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the correlation between the high number of people from all tiers who visited Cornwall in summer 2020 and used its public venues and hospitality and that county's status as the area with the lowest cases of infection with and deaths from covid-19. (124704)
- 74 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government is taking to redistribute medical student places from over-subscribed universities to new medical schools in accordance with the concept of contestability outlined in the NHS Long Term Plan. (124705)
- 75 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government is taking to maintain the long-term funding of additional medical student places that were needed as a result of the Centre Assessed A level Grades in 2020. (124706)
- 76 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to provide covid-19 vaccinations to teachers and other school staff. (124798)
- 77 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the planned timescale is for the NHS pay review body to commence work on the recommendations for the next pay round. (124799)
- 78 **Marco Longhi** (Dudley North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of people who have been asked to self-isolate through Track and Trace who did not qualify for the £500 isolation payment; and what plans he has to tackle financial hardship faced by individuals and families who follow government guidelines for self-isolation but do not qualify for the £500 payment. [Transferred] (124324)
- 79 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether health and care professions that can administer medicines, through Patient Group Directions and Independent Prescribing Rights, will be granted rights to assist with the roll out of any covid-19 vaccination programme. (124788)

- 80 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to ensure the procurement and tendering process for rapid testing for covid-19 is fair and transparent. (124900)
- 81 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that doors in hospitals can be opened without contact. (124672)
- 82 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that taps in hospitals can be used without contact. (124673)
- 83 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans he has to call for the release of Amin Musayev, Bayram Karimov and other political prisoners following the ceasefire between Azerbaijan and Armenia. (124726)
- 84 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the specific needs of people with disabilities in the Occupied Palestinian Territories during the covid-19 pandemic. (124855)
- 85 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps his Department has taken to support the protection of rights of people with disabilities in the Occupied Palestinian Territories to maintain their health, safety, dignity and independence during the covid-19 outbreak. (124856)
- 86 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent representations he has made to his Israeli counterpart on Israel upholding its obligations to ensure the respect and fulfilment of the rights of Palestinians with disabilities under its effective control in the occupied Palestinian territory. (124857)
- 87 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans he has to publish a global health strategy. (124825)
- 88 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when the next UK-China Human Rights dialogue will take place; and whether that dialogue will include concerns on violations of the right to freedom of religion or belief against Christians, Uyghur Muslims, Tibetan Buddhists and others. (124865)
- 89 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of reports of harassment of members of Early Rain Church in China during the pandemic; and whether he has made representations to his Chinese counterpart about the alleged harassment. (124866)

- 90 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he has made representations to his Chinese counterpart on behalf of the detained Christian lawyer and journalist Zhang Zhan. (124867)
- 91 **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether (a) he and (b) representatives of his Department (i) held meetings and (ii) exchanged correspondence with representatives of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia between 1 January 2020 and 31 October 2020 on the proposed takeover of Newcastle United football club by a consortium including the Public Investment Fund of Saudi Arabia. (124723)
- 92 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the potential effect of the oil tanker FSO Safer on (a) the environment, (b) the economy and (c) the humanitarian situation in Yemen in the event that the tanker was to fragment or capsize. (124862)
- 93 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to develop and strengthen diplomatic relations with Somaliland. (124691)
- 94 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of trends in Islamophobic hate crime since 2016. (124889)
- 95 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to tackle the level of Islamophobic hate crime in England and Wales. (124892)
- 96 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the effect of the covid-19 outbreak on levels of domestic abuse. (124894)
- 97 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, which senior police officer is responsible for the police national strategy on digital intelligence and investigations including Islamophobic online abuse. (124895)
- 98 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the level of domestic abuse and violence in Poplar and Limehouse constituency. (124897)
- 99 **Bambos Charalambous** (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average time taken is to process an application to the Windrush Compensation Scheme. (124831)

- 100 **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to respond to the letter from the hon. Member for West Lancashire of 14 October 2020 on a constituent's asylum eviction case, reference ZA54115. (124699)
- 101 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the status is of the Metropolitan police investigation into the former chief executive of the Liberal Democrats following a request by the Electoral Commission for a prosecution. (124870)
- 102 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent progress her Department has made on improving fire safety in buildings. (124742)
- 103 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department will take to (a) monitor the effectiveness of the digitalisation of EU citizens' immigration status and (b) report any failures in that scheme to the House. (124658)
- 104 **Caroline Nokes** (Romsey and Southampton North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 3 December 2020 to Question 121241, what discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on adhering to Habitat Regulations and the need to implement nitrate mitigation measures when seeking permission for overnight accommodation in the Solent region. (124734)
- 105 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to respond to the letter from the hon. Member for Warley of 8 September 2020 on Mrs Abukshim. (124659)
- 106 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to reply to the letter from the hon. Member for Warley of 8 October 2020 on Mr Musa. (124660)
- 107 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to respond to the letter of 15 October 2020 from the right hon. Member for Warley regarding Mrs Zankanah. (124661)
- 108 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Leader of the House, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124841)
- 109 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent estimate he has made of the number of veterans of European armed forces rough sleeping in the latest period for which figures are available. (124861)

- 110 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps the Government is taking to ensure an adequate level of funding for the statutory duties in the Domestic Abuse Bill to enable Tower Hamlets council to provide support and protection to people experiencing domestic abuse and their children. (124896)
- 111 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the availability of support services for victims of domestic abuse and violence in Poplar and Limehouse constituency. (124898)
- 112 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent steps his Department has taken to tackle Islamophobia in (a) Tower Hamlets, (b) London and (c) England. (124899)
- 113 **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans he has to provide indemnity insurance to local authorities for costs incurred as a result of false negative results from mass covid-19 testing. (124665)
- 114 **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when he plans to respond to the letter from the hon. Member for West Lancashire of 2 October 2020 on a retrospective claim for a home modification, reference ZA53467. (124698)
- 115 **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps the Government is taking to support first-time buyers to buy their own home. (124700)
- 116 **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what Government support is available to help first-time buyers obtain a deposit for a home. (124701)
- 117 **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Government's Shared Ownership Scheme. (124702)
- 118 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to ensure that the quality of permitted development conversions to residential is on a par with the quality of homes delivered through planning permission. (124645)
- 119 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124842)

- 120 **Dr Liam Fox** (North Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he plans to take through the Planning White Paper to (a) restrict land banking and (b) prevent developers from procuring more land until sites on which they already have planning permission have been built out. (124648)
- 121 **Dr Liam Fox** (North Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to ensure that local communities' knowledge of green belt and flood plains is taken into account when planning applications are under consideration. (124649)
- 122 **Dr Liam Fox** (North Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking through the Planning White Paper to balance the building of new homes with the provision of sufficient infrastructure to support growing communities. (124650)
- 123 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking, following the closure of the Community Housing Fund outside of London, to support the delivery of innovative low-cost mutual homeownership homes developed by community led housing groups which require capital grant funding but are not eligible for the Shared Ownership and Affordable Homes Programme. (124789)
- 124 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking, following the closure of the Community Housing Fund outside of London, to support the delivery of innovative low-cost mutual homeownership homes developed by community led housing groups which require capital grant funding but are not eligible for the Shared Ownership and Affordable Homes Programme. (124790)
- 125 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he has taken to (a) identify at-risk and vulnerable groups in unlawful F- and G-rated homes for energy and (b) ensure that the landlords of those homes comply with minimum energy efficiency standards regulations. (124810)
- 126 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he has taken to provide (a) oversight of and (b) funding for the process of tackling damp and mould in the homes of at-risk and vulnerable groups. (124811)
- 127 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to promote the take-up of the Green Homes Grant to improve the energy efficiency of tenants' homes with energy ratings above E. (124812)
- 128 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhese** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124843)

- 129 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124848)
- 130 **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what recent discussions he has had with the Police Service Northern Ireland on threats from loyalist paramilitaries to journalists in Northern Ireland. (124794)
- 131 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Prime Minister, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Office on Government business are electric vehicles. (124844)
- 132 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124849)
- 133 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what covid-19 testing sites have been made available in the Scottish Borders since the beginning of the outbreak; and how long those sites have been operational. (124826)
- 134 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the value for money of the system for paying housing benefit to providers of exempt accommodation. (124688)
- 135 **Angela Crawley** (Lanark and Hamilton East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of extending the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme to freelance performers and musicians under the measures announced in the Winter Economy Plan. [Transferred] (124243)
- 136 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124847)
- 137 **Paul Girvan** (South Antrim): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of providing tax relief for those working in the private care sector during the covid-19 outbreak. (124834)
- 138 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what further funding will be made available to support small charities affected by the covid-19 outbreak, in addition to the £750 million announced in April 2020. (124795)
- 139 **Clive Lewis** (Norwich South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what plans he has to implement an (a) early and (b) significant pay rise for Agenda for Change staff. (124800)
- 140 **Karl M'Cartney** (Lincoln): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what plans he has to redistribute returned business rates relief from supermarkets to groups that have been excluded from Government financial support during the covid-19 outbreak. (124730)

- 141 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will publish a list of the 100 companies and organisations that have received the highest amount of money from (a) the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and (b) other Government financial support during the covid-19 outbreak; and how much each of those organisations has received. (124741)
- 142 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking to prevent overseas traders from selling products into the UK on foreign platforms to avoid the requirements of VAT payment; and whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of requiring all companies to register for VAT before trading in the UK. (124683)
- 143 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment has he made of the merits of introducing a new airside tax-free shopping regime for international visitors at the end of the Brexit transition period. (124718)
- 144 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessments his Department has made of the potential merits of providing alternative airside tax-free shopping regimes for international visitors at the end of the transition period. (124719)
- 145 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what proportion of the vehicles used by his Department on Government business are electric vehicles. (124850)
- 146 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what steps she is taking to tackle Islamophobia. (124890)
- 147 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what steps her Department took to mark Islamophobia Awareness month in November 2020. (124891)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 8 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Chris Elmore** (Ogmore): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what plans he has to progress funding for the UK Safer Internet Centre in 2021. (124817)
- 2N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (All Tiers) (England) Regulations 2020 Schedule 3, Part 2(12)(5), whether there are restrictions on who can stay in (a) hotels and (b) other overnight accommodation in tier 3 areas during the Christmas period. (124709)

- 3N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions he has had with Ofgem on (a) the effectiveness of the new gas transmission charging regime introduced in October 2020 and (b) progress on proposals to introduce a short haul tariff. (124746)
- 4N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made an assessment of the financial effect of gas transmission network costs on the hydrogen producers required to help deliver his ten point plan for a green industrial revolution. (124747)
- 5N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Policy paper entitled The ten point plan for a green industrial revolution, updated on 18 November 2020, whether he has made an assessment of the effect of the gas transmission network costs on hydrogen production and transmission capacity. (124748)
- 6N **Colum Eastwood** (Foyle): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what support his Department is providing (a) directly and (b) to the Northern Ireland Executive to support Northern Ireland's high streets. (124903)
- 7N **Colleen Fletcher** (Coventry North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the effect of the covid-19 outbreak on the number of households in (a) Coventry North East constituency, (b) Coventry, (c) the West Midlands and (d) England that have fallen into arrears with their energy supplier; and what steps his Department is taking to protect vulnerable households in energy arrears during the covid-19 outbreak. (124767)
- 8N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps the Government is taking to ensure mobile phones sold in the UK contain only ethically sourced materials. (124781)
- 9N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what progress he has made in achieving the target of 2.4 per cent of GDP spending on science research; and what proportion of spending since the introduction of that target has been in the (a) public, (b) charity and (c) private sector. (124749)
- 10N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what effect the 2020 Spending Review will have on the proportion of GDP spent on research and development. (124750)
- 11N **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the extent to which utility companies have responsibility to replace worn-out cut-out fuses in domestic properties; and if he will make a statement. (124656)
- 12N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what process was used to select the members of the UK COP26 team; what assessment he has made of the effect of that process on

gender balance in that team; and what plans his Department has to review the selection process to ensure better representation of women in future COP teams.

(124877)

13N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 30 November 2020 to Question 120773 on Ice Skating: Coronavirus, what sports he classifies as having elite athletes. (124662)

14N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what additional steps his Department is taking to support operators of bowling centres during their extended period of closure due to the covid-19 outbreak. (124667)

15N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps he is taking to publicise the (a) legal right for households to have an internet connection of at least 10Mbps and (b) entitlement to an upgrade to a fibre connection if other interventions fail; and if he will make a statement. (124651)

16N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what estimate he has made of the number of households with an internet connection with a speed which cannot exceed 10Mbps; and if he will make a statement. (124652)

17N **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, when he plans to bring forward legislative proposals on online harms. (124908)

18N **Chris Elmore** (Ogmore): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what plans the Government has to allocate funding to the UK Safer Internet Centre in 2021. (124818)

19N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps he is taking to ensure that covid-19 related funding allocated to cultural organisations is distributed equitably. (124684)

20N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what plans he has for the diversification of the fibre supply chain as part of removing Huawei from UK fibre networks. (124751)

21N **Colleen Fletcher** (Coventry North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the average number of hours per week of sport and physical activity undertaken by pupils in (a) primary and (b) secondary schools in each of the last five years; and what assessment he has made of the effect of the covid-19 outbreak on levels of sport and physical activity participation in schools. (124764)

- 22N **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the potential loss of earnings to students prevented from returning to their term-time jobs by plans for a staggered return to universities in the 2021 new year. (124852)
- 23N **Mr Richard Holden** (North West Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions he has held with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on providing additional financial support to outdoor education providers following the covid-19 outbreak. (124901)
- 24N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans the Government has to provide additional funded childcare places in areas subject to Tier 2 and Tier 3 local covid alert level restrictions to help support parents and carers with work commitments. (124787)
- 25N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans he has to develop a T-Level for the Video Games Industry. (124858)
- 26N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will list the members of the expert group set up to look at differential learning and monitor the variation in the impact of the pandemic on students across the country. (124801)
- 27N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when the expert group set up to look at differential learning and monitor the variation in the impact of the pandemic on students across the country was established. (124802)
- 28N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many times the expert group set up to look at differential learning and monitor the variation in the impact of the pandemic on students across the country has met to date. (124803)
- 29N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how often and how many times the expert group set up to look at differential learning and monitor the variation in the impact of the pandemic on students across the country plans to meet. (124804)
- 30N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when the expert group set up to look at differential learning and monitor the variation in the impact of the pandemic on students across the country will report its findings. (124805)
- 31N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the total volume was of live animal exports from the EU to each (a) nation and (b) region of the UK in each financial year since 2015. (124715)

- 32N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of the outcome of trade negotiations with the EU on the volume of live animal exports from (a) Wales and (b) the UK to the EU. (124716)
- 33N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the financial effect of ending live animal exports for slaughter and fattening that begin in or transit through England or Wales on farmers in (a) Wales and (b) England. (124717)
- 34N **Joanna Cherry** (Edinburgh South West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what estimate she has made of the average number of days her Department has taken to make export licence decisions from the date of the initial request to the date of the first decision being communicated to the applicant in each quarter of (a) 2018, (b) 2019 and (c) 2020. (124773)
- 35N **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the (a) socioeconomic and (b) equalities impact of low-traffic neighbourhoods in (a) Poplar and Limehouse and (b) England. (124886)
- 36N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with rail operators on the potential effect of the East Coast Mainline engineering works scheduled for Christmas on passengers who choose to travel over that period when the covid-19 lockdown restrictions are temporarily lifted. (124851)
- 37N **Colleen Fletcher** (Coventry North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to improve provision for (a) cycling and (b) walking as alternative transport options in (i) Coventry North East constituency and (ii) Coventry. (124766)
- 38N **Lilian Greenwood** (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the £120 million for zero emission buses in 2021-22 in the Spending Review 2020, if he will publish details of the scheme his Department will use to deliver 800 zero emission buses. (124731)
- 39N **Lilian Greenwood** (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of adopting the leasing model proposed by the Confederation of Passenger Transport to deliver the 800 zero emission buses committed to in the Spending Review 2020. (124732)
- 40N **Sir Greg Knight** (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the judgement of the European Court of Justice on *Damijan Vnuk v Zavarovalnica Triglav*, whether he plans to incorporate into UK law any changes to the EU European Motor Insurance Directive on motor insurance in relation to (a) public roads and (b) private property for (i) ride-on lawnmowers, (ii) golf carts, (iii) tractors and (iv) motor sport activities; and if he will make a statement. (124689)

- 41N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of The Times investigation which recently found that 4,000 of about 9,000 bridges and large culverts on motorways or A-roads showed evidence of defects or damage that may significantly affect their capacity. (124820)
- 42 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has of the number of claimants whose disability premium on their employment support allowance has ceased to as a result of an automatic extension of a personal independence payment award has not been communicated to employment support allowance. (124879)
- 43N **Neil Gray** (Airdrie and Shotts): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the effect of the covid-19 pandemic on levels of poverty among UK pensioners living overseas. (124763)
- 44N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the financial effect of the covid-19 outbreak on claimants on legacy benefits. (124756)
- 45N **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason black, Asian and minority groups who are at greater risk of covid-19 have not been included in the composition and order of priority of groups for covid-19 vaccinations. (124885)
- 46N **Olivia Blake** (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the letter dated 22 October 2020 from the hon Member for Sheffield, Hallam on the Justice for Simba campaign, if he will meet with the hon Member for Sheffield, Hallam and members of that campaign to discuss (a) Simba's situation and (b) the effect of hostile environment policies on the NHS. (124909)
- 47N **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the implications for the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation decision not to include unpaid carers on the priority list for covid-19 vaccination of the policy whereby unpaid carers do have priority status for the influenza vaccination. (124757)
- 48N **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will ask the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation to revise its recommendation not to include unpaid carers on the priority list for covid-19 vaccinations. (124758)
- 49N **Bambos Charalambous** (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his Department's press release of 9 November entitled, More rapid COVID-19 tests to be rolled out across England, when Enfield Council will receive the 10,000 covid-19 testing kits. (124828)

- 50N **Bambos Charalambous** (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his Department's press release of 9 November entitled, More rapid COVID-19 tests to be rolled out across England, whether Enfield Council will receive additional resources to support the administration of the 10,000 covid-19 testing kits it is due to receive. (124829)
- 51N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it the policy of the Government that people who have recovered from covid-19 after testing positive should not be given priority for the covid-19 vaccination; and if he will make a statement. (124653)
- 52N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 2 December to Question 119972, if he will place the Parliamentary Question Performance Recovery Plan as it existed on (a) 19 November and (b) 2 December in the Library and if he will explain any changes between the two documents. (124654)
- 53N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to progress approval of the NHS National Screening Committee for the use of lateral flow tests for covid-19 which give results in thirty minutes; and what assessment that Committee made of the accuracy of the tests. (124655)
- 54N **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how the design of the Liverpool Innova later flow test programme was developed; which research protocol was used to conduct the study; how informed consent was secured from participants of the study; and which Research Ethics Committee approved the study. (124875)
- 55N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Government's announcement of family being able to begin visiting care home residents and guidance to homes on testing visitors for covid-19, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the level of funding provided to care providers through the Infection Control Fund. (124806)
- 56N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the change in the level of demand on care home staff required to provide covid-19 tests to visitors; and what steps he is taking to ensure that providers are able to access the staff they need. (124807)
- 57N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Welsh Government's social care workforce payment scheme and plans for similar payments in other devolved nations, what steps his Department is taking to recognise the contribution of social care workers during the covid-19 outbreak in England. (124808)

- 58N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that lateral flow tests are administered by trained professionals. (124707)
- 59N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what evidence he has received on the potential effect on the transmission of covid-19 of lateral flow tests being incorrectly administered by members of the public. (124708)
- 60N **Dr Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to add the opening of windows as a fourth element to the hands, face, space public messaging formula for minimising the spread of covid-19 among people when indoors; and if he will make a statement. (124642)
- 61N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will introduce rapid covid-19 testing for relatives of seriously ill patients in hospital, who may have suffered significant or life changing injuries, to allow the hospital to risk assess the case more quickly. (124791)
- 62N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether (a) parents and (b) carers of clinically vulnerable children will be prioritised for the covid-19 vaccine. (124722)
- 63N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to assist in procuring personal protective equipment for local authorities from 1 April 2021 when the current arrangement ends. (124760)
- 64N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the £1 billion to tackle the elective surgery backlog announced in the Spending Review 2020, how that funding will be allocated. (124710)
- 65N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the £1 billion announced in the Spending Review 2020 for tackling the elective surgery backlog, when that funding will be made available to NHS organisations; and whether that funding will be released (i) as a single block or (ii) via several smaller amounts at different times. (124711)
- 66N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to use criteria relating to (a) clinical area, (b) geographical region, (c) population size or (d) other metrics to determine the allocation of the £1bn for tackling the elective surgery backlog. (124712)
- 67N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether decisions on the allocation of the £1bn for tackling the elective surgery backlog will be made (a) centrally by Government Ministers, (b) by Executives at NHS England, (c) healthcare commissioners at local Clinical Commissioning Groups or (d) healthcare managers and practitioners at individual NHS providers. (124713)

- 68N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the £1bn for tackling the elective surgery backlog will be allocated (a) via block contracts or (b) through the NHS National Tariff payment system. (124714)
- 69N **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of adding unpaid care workers to the priority list for covid-19 vaccination. (124814)
- 70N **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the effect of covid-19 restrictions on (a) post-natal depression and (b) support for people with post-natal depression. (124815)
- 71N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps people should take who wish to request a covid-19 test and who do not have internet access or an email address. (124859)
- 72N **Sir Desmond Swayne** (New Forest West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that care homes that have not been given free supplies of covid-19 testing kits can acquire sufficient numbers of kits to enable visits to take place. (124643)
- 73N **Derek Twigg** (Halton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to his oral contribution of 1 December 2020, Official Report column 262, in which (a) clinical commissioning group and (b) local authority areas he has managed to keep cancer services going at over 100% of their normal last year. (124685)
- 74N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of resuming the practice of providing hotel accommodation for NHS and care workers in areas of high covid-19 infection. (124816)
- 75N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much funding the UK plans to contribute to the UNHCR in 2021. (124821)
- 76N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what proportion of the £2.9 billion reduction in aid made in early 2020 came from bilateral programmes. (124822)
- 77N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, for each type of grant under the UK Aid Direct programme, how many applications have been (a) received and (b) approved for each year since 2015. (124823)

- 78N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 24 September 2020 to Question 91694 on overseas aid: poverty, whether it remains his policy to support the bottom billion poorest people; and in which countries those people live. (124824)
- 79N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his international counterparts on the Draft Political Declaration on Strengthening the Protection of Civilians from Humanitarian Harm arising from the use of Explosive Weapons in Populated Areas published on 17 March 2020; and if he will make a statement. (124753)
- 80N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to strengthen routes for holding to account those responsible for violations of children's rights in conflict. (124754)
- 81N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the effect of the Safe Schools Declaration on the number of child deaths in conflict. (124755)
- 82N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make it his policy to (a) maintain the UK's aid spend in Syria and (b) take diplomatic steps at UN level to ensure Russia does not obstruct humanitarian assistance to Syria. (124873)
- 83N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether (a) he and (b) representatives of his Department (i) held meetings and (ii) exchanged correspondence with representatives of the English Premier League between 1 January 2020 and 31 October 2020 on the proposed takeover of Newcastle United by a consortium including the Public Investment Fund of Saudi Arabia. (124724)
- 84N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether (a) he and (b) representatives of his Department issued advice to the English Premier League on the proposed takeover of Newcastle United football club by a consortium including the Public Investment Fund of Saudi Arabia; and if he will make a statement. (124725)
- 85N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps the Government has taken to investigate the use of child labour in cobalt mines in Congo. (124780)
- 86N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the projected expenditure is of the Conflict, Stability and Security Fund in the (a) 2020-21 and (b) 2021-22 financial years. (124736)

- 87N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what proportion of the funding allocated to the Conflict, Stability and Security in the (a) 2020-21 and (b) 2021-22 financial years is discretionary expenditure. (124737)
- 88N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what proportion of the funding allocated to the Conflict, Security and Stability Fund in the (a) 2020-21 and (b) 2021-22 financial years will be (i) Official Development Assistance (ODA) and (ii) non-ODA. (124738)
- 89N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, which Conflict, Stability and Security Fund (CSSF) programmes have been identified for a reduction in their budget following the reduction in the Spending Review 2020 of funding for the CSSF in 2021-22. (124739)
- 90N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the reduction in funding allocation for the Conflict, Stability and Security Fund announced in the Spending Review 2020 is expected to result in staff redundancies. (124740)
- 91N **Tommy Sheppard** (Edinburgh East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the specific needs of people with disabilities in the Occupied Palestinian Territories during the covid-19 pandemic. (124782)
- 92N **Tommy Sheppard** (Edinburgh East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps his Department has taken to support the protection of rights of people with disabilities in the Occupied Palestinian Territories to maintain their health, safety, dignity and independence during the covid-19 outbreak. (124783)
- 93N **Tommy Sheppard** (Edinburgh East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps he has taken to encourage Israel to uphold its obligations to respect and fulfil the rights of Palestinians with disabilities in the Occupied Palestinian Territories. (124784)
- 94N **Dr Philippa Whitford** (Central Ayrshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the needs of people with disabilities in the occupied Palestinian territory during the covid-19 pandemic. (124769)
- 95N **Dr Philippa Whitford** (Central Ayrshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps his Department has taken to support the protection and fulfilment of the rights of people with disabilities in the occupied Palestinian territory throughout the covid-19 outbreak. (124770)

- 96N **Dr Philippa Whitford** (Central Ayrshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps he has taken to encourage Israel to uphold its obligations to ensure the respect and fulfilment of the rights of Palestinians with disabilities under its effective control in the occupied Palestinian territory. (124771)
- 97N **Duncan Baker** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether EU citizens with permanent residency status in the UK need to apply for the EU Settlement Scheme by June 2021. (124876)
- 98 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the number of rough sleeping migrants from the European Economic Area that will be deported as a result of changes to immigration rules. (124880)
- 99N **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will commission independent research on the causes of Islamophobia. (124888)
- 100N **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what organisations have been allocated funding as part of the £500,000 allocation of the Windrush Schemes Community Fund; and what the future allocations will be made through that fund. (124692)
- 101N **Bambos Charalambous** (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Windrush Compensation Scheme claims her Department has (a) accepted and (b) rejected, to date. (124830)
- 102N **Bambos Charalambous** (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has set a time limit by which Windrush Compensation Scheme claims must be settled from the time the claim is first submitted. (124832)
- 103N **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to ensure that people who report (a) rape or (b) sexual assault to the police have access to specialist counselling and therapy (i) before trial and (ii) from the trial onwards. (124904)
- 104N **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of allowing mitigations for people facing delays in receiving biometric residence permits during the covid-19 outbreak. (124785)
- 105N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps to provide additional support to victims of domestic abuse. (124809)
- 106N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many applications for family reunion there have been under the Afghan ex gratia scheme since March 2019. (124778)

- 107N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many applications for family reunion made under the Afghan ex gratia scheme since March 2019 have since been approved. (124779)
- 108N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many export orders have been made for Type 31e. (124668)
- 109N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many export orders were envisaged for Type 31e by his Department at the end of the concept phase. (124669)
- 110N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost has been of the public tender process for the Fleet Solid Support Ships to date. (124670)
- 111N **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the deadline for applications to the Building Safety Fund beyond 31 December 2020. (124878)
- 112N **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent steps he has taken to ensure that leaseholders do not bear the costs of remedial works when their managing agent or building owner is unsuccessful in their application for Building Safety Fund, in (a) Poplar and Limehouse constituency and (b) England. (124881)
- 113N **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of legislation in ensuring that enforcement action can be taken against landlords who do not fulfil their legal obligations to tenants. (124882)
- 114N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many local authorities (a) have spent and (b) will have spent by the end of December 2020 the self isolation payment funds they have received; and whether he plans to provide additional funding to those local authorities. (124663)
- 115N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what funding he plans to allocate to local authorities to support them in carrying out mass covid-19 testing. (124664)
- 116N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the local authority spending power in the Spending Review 2020, whether (a) payment of the living wage and (b) the £250 minimum pay rise for lower paid staff employed (i) by the council and (ii) on council contracts including social care workers are accounted for in that figure. (124666)

- 117N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will make healthy housing a central feature of the future planning system. (124644)
- 118N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to ensure that environmental impact assessments for new housing developments include analysis of (a) air quality and (b) noise pollution. (124646)
- 119N **Colleen Fletcher** (Coventry North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate he has made of the number of households that have fallen into rent arrears with (a) private landlords and (b) social housing providers as a result of the covid-19 outbreak, in (i) Coventry North East constituency, (ii) Coventry, (iii) the West Midlands and (iv) England; and what steps his Department is taking to protect renters during the covid-19 outbreak. (124768)
- 120N **Andrew Lewer** (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the (a) cost to the public purse was of and (b) value of assets was in the Help to Buy scheme in each financial year since 2017-18. [Transferred] (124304)
- 121N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what resources his Department plans to provide to Local Authorities organising elections for May 2021 to ensure that those elections are carried out in a covid secure way. (124759)
- 122N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether his Department has received proposals on restructuring from local authorities in Cumbria, North Yorkshire and Somerset. (124761)
- 123N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether he plans to consult on the design of the (a) UK Shared Prosperity Fund and (b) Levelling Up Fund. (124762)
- 124N **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate he has made of the number of outstanding (a) rape and (b) sexual offences court cases in (a) England and (b) Wales in each year since 2015. (124905)
- 125N **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate he has made of the number of outstanding (a) rape and (b) sexual offences court cases waiting more than two years for an outcome in (a) England and (b) Wales. (124906)
- 126N **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of amending section 41 of the Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999 to ensure that it is fit for purpose in the digital age. (124907)

- 127N**Dr Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answers of 2 July 2020 to Questions 65895 on Magistrates' Retirement Ages and Question 65896 on Court Backlogs, what his latest estimate is of the increase in the average time taken to bring cases to trial in magistrates courts; for what reason emergency legislation has not been brought forward to allow experienced magistrates to sit beyond the age of 70 until the backlog of cases has been reduced to an acceptable level; and if he will make it his policy to ensure by introducing primary legislation if necessary that such magistrates are not lost to the justice system on reaching the age of 70. (124641)
- 128N**Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether HMRC still accepts applications from UK companies on form C1800 to access Customs Handling of Import and Export Freight (CHIEF) to award CHIEF badges. (124786)
- 129N**Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will (a) meet representatives of the private coach industry to discuss the financial effect of the covid-19 outbreak on and (b) provide additional financial support to that industry. (124868)
- 130N**Colum Eastwood** (Foyle): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what support the Government is providing to the Northern Ireland Executive to support high streets during the covid-19 outbreak. (124902)
- 131N**Lilian Greenwood** (Nottingham South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the £120 million for zero emissions buses in the Spending Review 2020 combined with all-electric bus towns for delivering 800 zero emission buses in 2021-22. (124733)
- 132N**Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate his Department has made of the number of people whose median annual pay is under £24,000 who are eligible to receive the £250 increase announced in the Spending Review 2020 and whose pay will fall in real terms as a result of inflation. (124792)
- 133N**Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to statistics showing average private sector pay is higher in November 2020 than at the same time 12 months ago, for what reason he used a six month period to highlight trends in the level of private sector pay during the 2020 Spending Review statement; and whether he has used a six month period to compare trends in private and public sector pay at previous fiscal events. (124793)
- 134N**Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the contribution of the Exchequer Secretary to the Treasury of 9 November 2020, Official Report, column 707, if he will publish the evidence to support the statement that there are breweries in all Members' constituencies that will benefit from changes to Small Brewers Relief. (124720)

135N **Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to Q82 of the oral evidence taken before the Treasury Committee on 4 November 2020, HC950, what plans the Financial Conduct Authority has to set a target for take-up of Pensions Wise.

(124647)
