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Questions tabled on Wednesday 9 December 2020

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Questions for Answer on Thursday 10 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's news story, *New study to understand effect of COVID-19 on veterans*, published on 13 June 2020, when he will publish the report into the effect of covid-19 on veterans. [Transferred] (126797)
- 2 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will take steps to help ensure workers receive paid time off for covid-19 vaccination appointments; and if he will make a statement. [Transferred] (126814)
- 3 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to encourage local authorities to collect and scan cats injured or killed in road traffic accidents for a microchip and inform their owners. [Transferred] (126998)
- 4 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential effect on the ability of individuals accompanied by an assistance animal to travel to the EU from 1 January 2021 of the UK being listed in Part 1 of Annex II to EU Regulation (EU) No 577/2013. [Transferred] (126919)

- 5 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment the Government has made of the effect of the ban on burning coal in domestic settings on the (a) availability and (b) price of sized and washed lump coal for use in steam locomotives. [Transferred] (127004)
- 6 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent steps the Government has taken to reduce levels of antisocial behaviour involving the use of spray paint. [Transferred] (126984)
- 7 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the potential correlation between the pricing of spray paint and the level of antisocial behaviour involving the use of spray paint. [Transferred] (126985)
- 8 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many meetings his Department has had with Natural England on preparations for COP26. [Transferred] (127036)
- 9 **Scott Mann** (North Cornwall): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what representations his Department has received on the potential merits of bringing forward proposals to reform the law and sentencing relating to the offence of leaving the scene of a hit and run that resulted in death; and if he will meet with the hon Member for North Cornwall to discuss (a) that matter and (b) the effect of those accidents on the families of victims. [Transferred] (126924)
- 10 **Andrew Percy** (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what additional support the Chancellor is providing to coach businesses unable to operate as a result of covid-19 restrictions in Tier 3 alert level areas. [Transferred] (126819)
- 11 **John Stevenson** (Carlisle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what input his Department had in the policy-making process underpinning the public consultation on an online advertising ban on foods high in fat, salt or sugar which will introduce commercial and marketing restrictions on large and small businesses. [Transferred] (126827)
- 12 **John Stevenson** (Carlisle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential economic effect on businesses of a reduction in calories as part of the policy-making process for the public consultation on online advertising restrictions for foods high in fat, salt or sugar. [Transferred] (126828)
- 13 **John Stevenson** (Carlisle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the Competition Markets Authority has been asked for an assessment of the potential effect on business competition of plans to restrict (a) online advertising and (b) the promotion of foods high in fat, salt or sugar. [Transferred] (126829)

- 14 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to secure continued tariff-free market access for the Falkland Islands fisheries exports. [Transferred] (126791)
- 15N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the Law Commission's recommendations of 4 December 2020 to replace the misconduct in public office offence with two statutory offences (a) an offence of corruption in public office and (b) an offence of breach of duty in public office. [Transferred] (126115)
- 16N **Dame Margaret Hodge** (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department plans to undertake to implement the Law Commission's recommendations on reforming the misconduct in public office offence. [Transferred] (125935)

Questions for Answer on Monday 14 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Karen Bradley** (Staffordshire Moorlands): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, if will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the scope of support bubbles to allow elderly couples to form a support bubble with their family. (127544)
- 2N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of encouraging local authorities and Highways England to mark the historic boundaries of the County Palatine of Lancaster, which are still extant administrative boundaries for certain Duchy purposes, in accordance with section 3.47 of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016. (127499)
- 3N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Oral Statement of 9 December 2020 on Withdrawal Agreement Update, whether the grace period for supermarkets which waives export health certificates extends to independent (a) retailers and (b) food producers. (127596)
- 4N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether Export Health Certificates will be required for non-supermarket agri-food products on 1 January 2020. (127597)
- 5N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether (a) exit and (b) safety and security declarations will be required on goods travelling from Great Britain to Northern Ireland on 1 January 2020. (127598)

- 6 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimate he has made of the number of businesses supplying public bodies that have been deemed to be at risk under the terms of Procurement Policy Note 02/20. (127684)
- 7N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much and what proportion of the cost to the public purse of errors with civil service pensions has been recovered by the Government from pensions scheme administrator MyCSP. (127530)
- 8N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what progress has been made in developing the framework for the 2021-25 Greening Government Commitments. (127632)
- 9N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what plans he has to include the business use of taxis and PHVs by the public sector in the next iteration of the Greening Government Commitments. (127633)
- 10 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to support taxi drivers in covid-19 tier 3 areas. (127662)
- 11 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to help protect workers' rights after the end of the transition period. (127483)
- 12 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of facilitating biodiversity net gain for energy projects progressed through the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project regime, as part of his Department's plan for a Green Industrial Revolution. (127521)
- 13 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what the evidential basis was for setting capacity at 15 for wedding receptions in covid-19 tier 1 and 2 areas. (127580)
- 14N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 26 November 2020 to Question 119331 on Green Homes Grant Scheme, what the reasons are for the difference in the number of (a) energy efficient jobs that will be created by implementing Point 7 of the Prime Minister's Ten Point Plan up to 2030 and (b) energy efficiency jobs supported by the Green Homes Grant Scheme in 2020-21. (127610)
- 15N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the November 202 Spending Review, how much of the £15bn committed to R&D has been ring fenced to replace lost funding from EU R&D programmes in 2021-22. (127548)

- 16N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to increase charitable research and development spending in 2021. (127549)
- 17 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether the Government plans to change its 2.4 per cent of GDP R&D spending target in response to falling GDP. (127550)
- 18N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether the £6 billion announced in the Spending Review 2020 for development and procurement of vaccines is inclusive of existing covid-19 vaccine procurement contracts. (127551)
- 19 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport on the effect of section 790ZG of the Companies Act 2006 on the ability of the Gambling Commission to investigate the ownership of UK casinos. (127552)
- 20 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 1 December 2020 to Question 121276, whether he has reached an agreed approach with the Association of Medical Research Charities for supporting research that their members fund. (127553)
- 21 **Nicola Richards** (West Bromwich East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will publish details of his Department's support for pubs and restaurants in areas under tier 3 covid-19 restrictions during the Christmas period. (127703)
- 22 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what the UK's role is in the production consortium on green hydrogen. (127465)
- 23 **Alison Thewliss** (Glasgow Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of the appropriateness of the eight week notice period mothers on maternity leave must give employers before returning to work and being placed on the Job Retention Scheme. (127588)
- 24 **Alison Thewliss** (Glasgow Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether mothers returning from maternity leave before the 31 Oct 2020 and were made redundant due to the original end date of the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme will be eligible to be rehired over winter 2020-21. (127589)

- 25 **Alison Thewliss** (Glasgow Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the implications of the accrual of annual leave by mothers on maternity leave for women who have been furloughed through the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme. (127590)
- 26 **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the level of financial support available to pubs that do not serve food in areas that are under tier 2 local covid alert level restrictions. (127663)
- 27 **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of increasing the level of financial support available to pubs that do not serve food in areas that are under tier 2 local covid alert level restrictions. (127664)
- 28N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of allowing EEA and UK practitioners to have reciprocal rights of representation across (a) the UK Intellectual Property Office and (b) EU Intellectual Property Office after the transition period. (127668)
- 29N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment he has made of the potential effect on UK Chartered Trade Mark Attorneys in the event that EEA attorneys continue to have access to both the UK and EU markets and UK attorneys have access to just the domestic market after the transition period. (127669)
- 30 **Chris Elmore** (Ogmore): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether the Online Harms Bill will take a twin track approach to regulatory standards and enforcement of (a) illegal and (b) legal but harmful content; and if he will make a statement. (127606)
- 31 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what plans he has to encourage (a) private companies and (b) the public sector to train and hire staff in (i) robotics (ii) data science and (iii) cybersecurity. (127477)
- 32 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to his oral evidence to the Digital, Culture, Media and Sport select committee in April 2020 on the proposed Saudi takeover of Newcastle United Football Club, for what reasons he has assessed the Saudi public investment fund and the Crown Prince to be separate entities. (127554)
- 33 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps he is taking to tackle misinformation on the covid-19 vaccine. (127555)

- 34N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment he has made of the potential effect on British (a) businesses and (b) citizens of the UK not receiving EU data adequacy recognition by the end of the transition period; and what contingency plans he has in place from 1 January 2021 in the event that the UK has not received EU data adequacy recognition. (127556)
- 35 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps the new Digital Markets Unit will take to ensure a level playing field for small retailers and large corporations with respect to access to data. (127557)
- 36N **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether the Government plans to introduce targeted support for cinemas that are (a) open and (b) closed during the covid-19 outbreak. (127515)
- 37N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether IPSO has met the 38 recommendations set out in the Leveson Inquiry report 2012. (127602)
- 38N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of IPSO's procedures for processing complaints from individuals affected by press abuse. (127603)
- 39 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps his Department is taking to ensure the public are protected from being the subject of abusive press content. (127631)
- 40N **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what support is available to speedway venues under the Sports Winter Survival Package. (127676)
- 41N **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions Sport England has had with speedway venues and promoters on applying for funding from the Sports Winter Survival Package. (127677)
- 42N **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what capital funding stakeholders in Weaver Vale constituency can apply for to build a further education campus in Northwich. (127638)
- 43N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether the Expert Group established to look at how to make the 2021 exams fair, will be allowed to assess the potential merits of optionality in exams. (127670)
- 44 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the effect on students of delaying the release of the examination topics list to the end of January 2021. (127671)

- 45N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many secondary schools have confirmed they will not use SATS tests in their 2021 admissions criteria. (127672)
- 46N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, for how many days teachers should conduct track and trace after the last physical student day in schools. (127673)
- 47 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether the Expert Group established to look at how to make 2021 exams fair includes representatives of (a) school leaders, (b) parents, (c) teachers and (d) unions. (127674)
- 48N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the proposals of the Every Child Leaving Care Matters report entitled, Planning – The English Care Review – how should it be done?, published on 20 November 2020; and if he will make it his policy to undertake a review of the care system. (127535)
- 49 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to tackle bullying of (a) LGBT and (b) other students in schools. (127659)
- 50N **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of Opportunity Areas in improving educational outcomes for disadvantaged children. (127531)
- 51N **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to ensure that the extended £220 million Holiday Activities and Food Programme will be spent in part by local authorities to provide (a) educational activities and (b) academic catch-up support to children who have lost learning as a result of the covid-19 outbreak. (127532)
- 52N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to his Oral Statement of 3 November 2020 on Exams and Accountability 2021, Official Report, col 435, what recent discussions he has had with universities on grading exams generously in response to disruptions to student learning as a result of the covid-19 outbreak. (127600)
- 53 **Christian Wakeford** (Bury South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many children in care have been recorded by his Department as being placed in (a) handcuffs and (b) other restraints whilst being transported in the most recent period for which figures are available; and how many of these journeys were between secure settings. (127705)
- 54 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that oxides of nitrogen (NOx) emissions from industry and power generation are kept within safe limits in Weaver Vale and Halton constituencies. (127635)

- 55 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the level of oxides of nitrogen (NOx) emissions from industry and power generation in Weaver Vale and Halton constituencies. (127636)
- 56 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to encourage (a) growth and (b) production of food in the UK for the domestic market. (127651)
- 57N **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to publish his Department's response to the consultation on the microchipping of cats in England that closed on 4 January 2020. (127699)
- 58 **Paul Girvan** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with (a) the Northern Ireland Executive and (b) other stakeholders on the enabling of importation of seed and ware potatoes from Great Britain to Northern Ireland after the end of the transition period. (127622)
- 59 **Mr Richard Holden** (North West Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans the Government has to ban the import of peat. (127685)
- 60 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 24 November 2020 to Question 118087 on glass recycling, whether his Department plans to undertake an assessment of market shifts in materials as a result of a deposit return scheme before the consultation on the regulations is opened. (127620)
- 61 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the Environmental Impact Assessment (Forestry) (England and Wales) Regulations 1999 enable the Forestry Commission to reverse a decision on a tree planting project (a) that has been made incorrectly and (b) where previously withheld evidence has come to light; and if he will make a statement. (127516)
- 62 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the level of transparency in relation to treatment costs in the veterinary industry. (127646)
- 63 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the effect of (a) ambient air pollution and (b) exhaust emissions on refuse collectors. (127475)
- 64 **Imran Ahmad Khan** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what progress she has made on securing a free trade agreement with Algeria. (127686)

- 65 **Imran Ahmad Khan** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what progress she has made on securing a free trade agreement with Bosnia and Herzegovina. (127687)
- 66 **Imran Ahmad Khan** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what progress she has made on securing a free trade agreement with Serbia. (127688)
- 67 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether her Department plans to reduce or remove any tariffs in the egg industry for non-EU countries in 2021. (127566)
- 68 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, with reference to research published by Wageningen University in its report *The Competitiveness of the UK Egg Sector*, an international comparison of production costs, base year 2018, published in 2019, whether her Department has carried out an assessment of the effect on the British egg industry in the event that tariffs are reduced or removed across different tariff lines. (127567)
- 69N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what estimate she has made of changes in costs for (a) importers and (b) exporters during 2020 as a result of staff at Felixstowe being furloughed through the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme. (127534)
- 70N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what discussions she has had with the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster on disbanding the Expert Trade Advisory Group on Customs and Continuity in Trade. (127536)
- 71N **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of indefinitely suspending the requirement for wine imports to the UK to be accompanied with a wine-specific VI-1 certificate. (127592)
- 72 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether the Government will honour its commitment in the joint interpretive instrument in the UK-Canada trade agreement to review the sustainable development commitments in that agreement in consultation with civil society including trade unions to ensure that those commitments are effectively enforceable; and if she will make a statement. (127460)
- 73 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that Turkey upholds international labour and human rights standards as a condition of any trade deal with the UK; and if she will make a statement. (127461)

- 74 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what discussions she has had, as part of trade negotiations, with her New Zealand counterpart on pharmaceutical patent extensions; and if she will make a statement. (127462)
- 75 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, with reference to the UK-Japan Comprehensive Partnership Agreement, what assessment she has made of the implications of that agreement for the organisation of postal services; and if she will make a statement. (127463)
- 76 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps she will take to protect public funded health data from data control from outside the UK during trade negotiations; and if she will make a statement. (127464)
- 77N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what estimate her Department has made of the projected increases over the next 15 years in (a) cash and (b) percentage terms of (i) UK exports to Canada and (ii) growth in UK GDP which will result from the Continuity Agreement signed with Canada on 9 December 2020; and whether those figures are higher, lower or approximately the same compared to the projected increases that were forecast from the EU-Canada Agreement. (127508)
- 78N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what estimate her Department has made of the projected increases over the next 15 years in (a) cash and (b) percentage terms of (i) UK exports to Vietnam and (ii) growth in UK GDP which will result from the Continuity Agreement agreed with Vietnam; and whether those figures are higher, lower or approximately the same compared to the projected increases that were forecast from the EU-Vietnam Agreement. (127509)
- 79N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what discussions her Department has had with the World Trade Organisation since 30 September 2020 on the (a) authorisation of the UK to impose tariffs on exports from the US after 31 December 2020 in retaliation against that country's subsidies for Boeing and (b) financial limit up to which those tariffs can be imposed. (127510)
- 80N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what statutory authorisation she will have to re-impose retaliatory tariffs on exports from the US after 31 December 2020 if satisfactory progress towards an agreeable settlement of the Boeing-Airbus dispute is not made; and what the financial limit is for the re-imposition of those tariffs. (127511)
- 81N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, on what date she first sought legal advice on the authorisation of the UK to impose tariffs on exports from the US after 31 December 2020 in retaliation against that country's subsidies for Boeing. (127512)

- 82N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if his Department will take steps to mark the boundaries of the historic county Palatine of Lancaster and of historic Cheshire on the M60 and M67 motorways through Stockport and Tameside in accordance with section 3.47 of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016. (127500)
- 83N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of marking England's historic county boundaries on the motorway network in accordance with section 3.47 of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016. (127501)
- 84N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans his Department has to restore the Stockport rail viaduct. (127502)
- 85 **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with Network Rail on the condition of the Stockport rail viaduct. (127503)
- 86 **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will ask Network Rail to set out a timetable for (a) the removal of graffiti, (b) the restoration of the brickwork and (c) the removal of overgrowth and vegetation on the Stockport rail viaduct. (127504)
- 87 **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will ask Highways England to set out a timetable for the removal of graffiti from gantries and road signs on the M60 motorway through Stockport. (127505)
- 88 **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will ask Network Rail to remove the graffiti from the parapet of the Windmill Lane railway bridge in Denton, first reported to them by the hon. Member for Denton and Reddish in September 2019. (127506)
- 89 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he is having with stakeholders on EU Aviation Safety Agency regulations and licensing; and how he plans to communicate those decisions to the aviation sector. (127583)
- 90 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of the effect of the tier system of covid-19 restrictions on the coach industry. (127584)
- 91 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had discussions with the Confederation of Passenger Transport on covid-19 and the coach industry since July 2020. (127585)

- 92N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made an assessment of the effect of the decision to provide financial support to airports but not international railway stations during the covid-19 outbreak. (127605)
- 93 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what (a) oversight of and (b) involvement in the rail industry's Ticketing and Settlement Agreement the Government has. (127679)
- 94 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to ensure that Highways England is putting in place plans to reduce air pollution, including with its (a) contractors and (b) sub-contractors. (127467)
- 95 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that drivers of heavy goods vehicles are sufficiently protected from poor air quality. (127468)
- 96 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on ensuring that refuse collectors are not exposed to high levels of air pollution. (127473)
- 97N **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether bus operators in receipt of the COVID-19 Bus Services Support Grant are permitted to amend ticket validity times. (127593)
- 98N **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether prior consent is required from his Department for a bus operator in receipt of the COVID-19 Bus Services Support Grant to change ticket validity times. (127594)
- 99N **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the terms of the COVID-19 Bus Services Support Grant define an amendment to ticket validity times as a fare price increase. (127595)
- 100N **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of extending to six months the three month limit for tribunal applications for employees claiming to be the subject of sexual harassment. (127523)
- 101 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to reduce the gender pay gap in pensions savings. (127478)
- 102 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what plans she has to encourage women to resume workplace pension contributions following a period of (a) part-time work or (b) time out of working. (127480)

- 103N**Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 7 September 2020 to Question 84269 on Food Banks; whether the literature review of the factors driving the use of food banks has been updated. (127568)
- 104 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the economic effect of the introduction of the Bereavement Support Payment. (127581)
- 105 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 25 November 2020 to Question 118005, when the Kickstart data will be available by region. (127582)
- 106N**Jonathan Reynolds** (Stalybridge and Hyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the judgment of the Court of Appeal of 22 June 2020 in the case of Johnson, Woods, Barrett and Stewart v. the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make it her policy that claimants whose universal credit award was reduced because they received two wage payments in one assessment period will receive compensation for money previously lost. (127546)
- 107N**Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment she has made of the equity of the correlation between the allocation of child benefits to individuals who share joint custody of a child and the costs that those individuals incur. (127604)
- 108N**Alyn Smith** (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department may issue National Insurance numbers for (a) EU (b) EEA or (c) Swiss nationals who already have settled or pre-settled status. (127650)
- 109 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the public health impact of increased oxides of nitrogen (NOx) emissions from industrial and power generation facilities located within a mile of residential areas. (127637)
- 110 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 7 July 2020 to Question 64346 on Cholesterol: Screening, when cholesterol checks will resume. (127652)
- 111 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 7 July 2020 to Question 64351 on Pharmacy: Screening, what the terms of reference are for the evidence-based review of the NHS Health Check programme from Public Health England. (127653)
- 112 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 7 July 2020 to Question 64355 on Health, what his Department's revised timeframe is for publishing the response to the consultation on Advancing our health: prevention in the 2020s. (127654)

- 113 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 7 July 2020 to Question 64355 on Health, what his timeframe is for publishing the updated version of the 22 July 2019 Green Paper entitled, *Advancing our health: prevention in the 2020s*. (127655)
- 114 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to expand the use of digital technologies to improve the remote detection of atrial fibrillation as result of restrictions on face-to-face appointments during the covid-19 outbreak. (127656)
- 115 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what data his Department holds on detection and diagnosis rates for atrial fibrillation in England (a) from January to May 2019 and (b) from January to May 2020 inclusive; and if he will make a statement. (127657)
- 116 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people presented in hospital with ischemic stroke in (a) January, (b) February, (c) March and (d) April 2020. (127658)
- 117N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate Public Health England has made of the number of deaths linked to drug and alcohol misuse since March 2020. (127563)
- 118N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effect of the covid-19 outbreak on the number of deaths related to drug and alcohol misuse; and if he will publish the statistics that he holds on that issue. (127564)
- 119 **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many deaths related to drug and alcohol misuse have been recorded since March 2020. (127565)
- 120N **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the ONS surveys of 30 October and 4 December 2020, whether he has made an assessment of (a) the reasons for the ONS downgrade of its estimate of covid-19 in England from 9.52 per 10,000 on 17 October to 4.89 per 10,000 on 17 October 2020 and (b) the effect of that revision on the Government's decision to enter into a second national lockdown in November 2020; and what steps the Government is taking to ensure that future covid-19 data published by the ONS will not require significant revision at a later date. [R] (127537)
- 121 **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure peer review of the methods and independent verification of the results of ONS estimates of covid-19 cases. [R] (127538)
- 122 **Steve Brine** (Winchester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the national standards are for neonatal care in England. (127539)

- 123N **Rosie Duffield** (Canterbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of publishing an updated National Carers Strategy. (127617)
- 124 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 18 November 2020 to Question 113045 on Exercise Cygnus, for what reason his Department determined that the publication of the Exercise Cygnus report might negatively impact the response to the covid-19 outbreak. (127514)
- 125 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what funding his Department has allocated to hospices in (a) Darlington and (b) England (i) during the covid-19 outbreak and (ii) over winter 2020-21. (127661)
- 126 **Paul Girvan** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether all staff employed in care homes, including cooks and cleaners will receive the covid-19 vaccination at the same time as nurses and care assistants. (127621)
- 127 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that data protection is maintained in the NHS covid-19 app. (127484)
- 128 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle the national backlog in endoscopy procedures. (127485)
- 129 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that anti-stigma work on mental health will continue after the closure of Time to Change programme; and if he will make a statement. (127517)
- 130 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to (a) increase the importance of anti-stigma and anti-discrimination in mental health planning and (b) take steps to ensure that (i) people from BAME communities, (ii) people experiencing less well known or understood mental health problems and (iii) other groups severely affected by mental health stigma benefit from national mental health anti-stigma programmes; and if he will make a statement. (127518)
- 131 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will commission and publish data on annual surveys on public attitudes towards mental health problems; and if he will make a statement. (127519)
- 132 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to Question 109280, tabled on 30 October 2020 by the hon. Member for Brighton Pavilion. (127520)
- 133N **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many mechanical ventilators (a) were purchased and (b) have been used since the start of the covid-19 outbreak. (127586)

- 134 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of NHS trusts have covid-19 restrictions in place for birth partners attending maternity appointments and scans as at 1 December 2020. (127680)
- 135 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to make the NHS Learning Support Fund available in September 2021 for (a) new students and (b) continuing students who have benefited from that fund in 2020. (127681)
- 136 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what pathways exist for children in the North West for the diagnosis of Tourettes syndrome. (127683)
- 137N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the NHS press notice, entitled Convenient modern cancer treatment for patients during covid-19 pandemic, 11 June 2020, if new funding is being made available to accelerate the roll-out of stereotactic ablative radiotherapy in order for it to be delivered by April 2021; and if he will make a statement. (127528)
- 138N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department has allocated for rollout of stereotactic ablative radiotherapy (SABR); and what the planned timescale is for the rollout of SABR. (127529)
- 139N **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether latex-free flu vaccines are available; how many have been distributed to (a) GP surgeries and (b) pharmacies in winter 2020; and whether latex-free covid-19 vaccines will be available. (127700)
- 140 **Holly Mumby-Croft** (Scunthorpe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the proportion of the population who will need to undertake vaccination to ensure a positive effect on people who cannot undertake one for medical reasons. (127701)
- 141 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to allow people in receipt of qualifying benefits who have been advised to claim the Test and Trace Support Payment by (a) NHS hospitals and (b) schools, but not by NHS Test and Trace, to claim that support. (127678)
- 142N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the BMJ Case Report of 13 October 2020 on Sudden irreversible hearing loss post covid-19, if he will make it his policy to prioritise partially deaf people for receipt of the covid-19 vaccine. (127608)

- 143N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the annual budget is for the Workforce Development Fund for (a) 2020-21 and (b) 2021-22. (127611)
- 144 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the vaccine priority group Frontline health and social care workers includes unpaid carers. (127647)
- 145N **Jonathan Reynolds** (Stalybridge and Hyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many applications have been (a) made to and (b) accepted by the NHS and Social Care Coronavirus Life Assurance Scheme to date. (127547)
- 146 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of extending Test and Trace payments to provide support for parents of children in primary school or the first two years of secondary school who are required to isolate, in line with the payments offered in Wales. (127493)
- 147N **Naz Shah** (Bradford West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many of the 50 hospitals which are hubs for the initial covid-19 vaccine roll out are in areas of high deprivation according to the Index of Multiple Deprivation. (127575)
- 148 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps are being taken through the NICE health technology evaluation methods review to assess the effect of the (a) reference (b) non-reference discount rate on gene therapies. (127558)
- 149 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government is taking to ensure timely access to gene therapies for eligible patients. (127559)
- 150 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government taking to ensure that (a) NICE and (b) NHS England processes are (i) evaluated and (ii) adapted to assess the (A) cost-effectiveness and (B) accessibility of one-time gene therapies. (127560)
- 151 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential for gene therapies to reduce the treatment burden on hospital capacity. (127561)
- 152 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the ambient air pollution that paramedics are exposed to in the cabs of emergency vehicles. (127469)
- 153 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of emergency service vehicles used by the NHS are (a) electric vehicles and (b) other alternatively fuelled vehicles. (127470)

- 154 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to encourage the NHS to transition to more environmentally sustainable ambulance vehicles. (127471)
- 155 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that blood (a) tests and (b) donations remain safe from the transmission of covid-19. (127472)
- 156 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the timetable is for a covid-19 vaccination hub to be opened in York. (127540)
- 157 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reasons the 119 covid-19 NHS test and trace service is only able to contact testing labs to enquire about progress on returning covid-19 test results five days after those tests have been taken. (127541)
- 158 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of covid-19 lab tests returned results within the routine 24-72 hour window in the latest period for which figures are available. (127542)
- 159 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 11 June to Question 48980, why the contract with Deloitte for covid-19 testing did not require that company to report positive cases to Public Health England; and to local authorities, and what steps his Department took to ensure that this information was available to Public Health England and local authorities. (127543)
- 160 **Imran Ahmad Khan** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the accuracy of alleged reports from former detainees in Xinjiang detention camps that Muslim detainees were forcibly fed pork in violation of their religious beliefs. (127689)
- 161 **Imran Ahmad Khan** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the geopolitical situation in the South China Sea. (127690)
- 162 **Imran Ahmad Khan** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle Ahmadi persecution in Indonesia. (127692)
- 163 **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department has taken to help tackle the humanitarian situation in Nagorno-Karabakh; and what the results of that support have been to date. (127524)

- 164NFiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps have been taken to allocate funding to tackle the humanitarian situation in Nagorno-Karabakh from the £1 million he announced in October 2020 for the International Committee of the Red Cross. (127525)
- 165NFiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what practical steps his Department has taken to secure the release of Armenians held as prisoners of war after the ceasefire in Nagorno-Karabakh. (127526)
- 166NFiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help hold perpetrators to account for atrocities committed by Azerbaijanis (a) during and (b) after the conflict in Nagorno-Karabakh. (127527)
- 167NWayne David** (Caerphilly): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 20 October 2020 to Question 106364 and the Answer of 17 November 2020 to Question 114083 and with reference to the CPS response of 19 November 2020 to the Freedom of Information Request reference 9433 that state that the CPS made applications to the Integrated Activity Fund/Gulf Strategy Fund in financial years 2018-19 and 2020-21, for what reason that information was not disclosed in the Answers to those Questions. (127488)
- 168NWayne David** (Caerphilly): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, which countries the UK does not have any direct representation (a) through an embassy and (b) consulate office. (127489)
- 169NWayne David** (Caerphilly): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that Palestinian Authority teaching programmes in receipt of support from UK development spending promote common values of peace, freedom, tolerance and non-discrimination. (127490)
- 170NWayne David** (Caerphilly): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will take steps to help ensure that the Georg Eckert Institute review of Palestinian textbooks includes an assessment of compliance with UNESCO-derived standards of peace and tolerance in education. (127491)
- 171 Paul Girvan** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what progress has been made on bring forward proposals to introduce Magnitsky-style laws to punish supporters of human rights violations in China. (127623)
- 172 Paul Girvan** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to completely end UK aid to China. (127624)

- 173 **Paul Girvan** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the Government supports the Republic of China (Taiwan) becoming a full member of World Health Organisation. (127625)
- 174 **Paul Girvan** (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that British Nationals Overseas in Hong Kong can contact the British Consulate General in Hong Kong in the safest manner with reduced fear of oppression by the Chinese Government. (127626)
- 175N**Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the recent leak of a prisoner list from a Chinese internment camp showing how authorities in Xinjiang target Muslim minorities for detention. (127643)
- 176N**Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent representations he has made to his Indian counterpart on the humanitarian situation in Kashmir. (127644)
- 177N**Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent representations he has made to his Bangladeshi counterpart on the decision by the Government of Bangladesh to relocate Rohingya refugees to Bhasan Char island. (127645)
- 178N**Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of his Department's role in the delivery of the (a) Serious and Organised Crime Strategy (2018) and (b) Drugs Strategy (2017) in the context of the merger of the Department for International Development with his Department. (127675)
- 179N**Matthew Pennycook** (Greenwich and Woolwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the 2020 Nagorno-Karabakh ceasefire agreement signed by the President of Azerbaijan, the Prime Minister of Armenia and the President of the Russian Federation on 10 November 2020, what steps the Government is taking to help ensure that the exchange of prisoners of war, hostages and other detainees, and the remains of the fatalities, is carried out. (127601)
- 180 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his Azerbaijani counterpart on reported human rights abuses against Armenian prisoners of war being held as a result of the recent conflict over Nagorno-Karabakh. (127492)

- 181 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will take steps to build the capacity of trade unions and civil society groups in developing countries to engage in trade negotiations; and if he will make a statement. (127459)
- 182 **Dr Philippa Whitford** (Central Ayrshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December 2020 to Question 124769 and with reference to the cessation of polymerase chain reaction covid-19 testing in Gaza on 6 December 2020, what steps his Department is taking to help support (a) testing and (b) control of covid-19 in the Gaza Strip. (127574)
- 183 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average time is for the Home Office Employers Checking Service to respond to requests by employers for confirmation of an employee's eligibility to work. (127533)
- 184 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to publish her Department's paper on group-based child sexual exploitation. (127665)
- 185 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has established an external reference group of experts to review the Government's research on group-based child sexual exploitation. (127666)
- 186 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, on what date she plans to publish the child sexual abuse strategy. (127667)
- 187 **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the oral Answer of the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of 18 November 2020, Official Report, column 198WH, on the Government's reasons for restricting permission to work for asylum seekers, whether her Department has made an assessment of a pull factor that would arise from changing the labour market rules for asylum seekers. (127570)
- 188 **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to The Response to the Windrush Lessons Learned Review: A Comprehensive Improvement Plan, what the estimated completion date is for the initial analysis of data and evidence on the compliant environment. (127571)
- 189N**Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum decision maker posts are currently vacant. (127697)
- 190N**Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether equivalent agreements will be in place by 1 January 2021 to replace the current agreements for the exchange of information between UK police forces and other EU countries on criminals and terrorists. (127612)

- 191N **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department plans to take to resolve highly skilled migrants' cases where a (a) minded to refuse letter and (b) right of appeal given in relation indefinite leave to remain applications have not been received. (127642)
- 192 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what proportion of vehicles used by police forces in England are (a) electric and (b) other alternatively fuelled vehicles. (127476)
- 193N **Andrea Leadsom** (South Northamptonshire): To ask the hon. Member for Perth and North Perthshire, representing the House of Commons Commission, what progress has been made on the installation of a lift inside Elizabeth Tower. (127545)
- 194 **Imran Ahmad Khan** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many members of the armed forces were dismissed for drug usage in 2020. (127691)
- 195 **Imran Ahmad Khan** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that British armed forces personnel residing in the UK receive a covid-19 vaccine as quickly as possible. (127693)
- 196 **Imran Ahmad Khan** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that British armed forces personnel serving overseas will receive a covid-19 vaccination as quickly as possible. (127694)
- 197 **Martin Docherty-Hughes** (West Dunbartonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what risk assessment his Department has made of the effect on (a) industrial relations and (b) matters of operational safety of the revised procurement process for facilities management at HMNB Clyde under the Future Maritime Support programme. (127572)
- 198 **Martin Docherty-Hughes** (West Dunbartonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of requiring all successful bidders across HMNB Clyde for facilities management contracts under the Future Maritime Support Programme to maintain a single collective bargaining unit for purposes of industrial relations. (127573)
- 199 **Chris Elmore** (Ogmore): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when veterans who left service more than 2 years ago are planned to receive their Veteran ID card. (127607)
- 200 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to help Commonwealth veterans immigrate to the UK upon discharge. (127660)
- 201 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what investigations have been conducted by his Department with regard to information leaks over the Overseas Operations Bill. (127639)

- 202 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department plans to take in response to reports of information leaks on the Overseas Operations Bill. (127640)
- 203 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what meetings he has had with the Minister for Defence People and Veterans with regard to reports of leaked information on the Overseas Operations Bill. (127641)
- 204 **Nicola Richards** (West Bromwich East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what support his Department is providing to armed forces personnel who have been discharged from service during the covid-19 pandemic. (127702)
- 205N**Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps his Department has taken as a result of the consultation on the technical review of Approved Document B of the building regulations. (127634)
- 206 **Mr David Davis** (Haltemprice and Howden): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to criminalise the behaviour of developers who (a) falsify information and (b) are dishonest about their compliance with fire safety standards. (127466)
- 207 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of facilitating biodiversity net gain on a non-mandatory basis for projects progressed through the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project regime. (127522)
- 208 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when he plans to make a decision on the application to the Building Safety Fund in respect of the three buildings at Eastside Plaza, PO1. (127629)
- 209 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when he plans to make a decision on the application to the Building Safety Fund in respect of the three buildings at Admiralty Quarter, PO1. (127630)
- 210N**Alex Norris** (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made on the effect of the covid-19 outbreak on local authority ability to spend right-to-buy replacement funds. (127627)
- 211N**Alex Norris** (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of extending the time for local authorities to spend right-to-buy replacement funds from 3.25 years to five years. (127628)

- 212N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of bringing forward proposals for primary legislation to require (a) letting agents and (b) online property platforms to only advertise and let domestic properties that are compliant with private rented sector regulations. (127609)
- 213 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of extending the three-month expiry date on the Green House Grant scheme vouchers. (127648)
- 214 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans he has to introduce legislative proposals to require the installation to help meet the target for all households to have smart meters by June 2021. (127649)
- 215 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if his Department will make an assessment of the efficacy of the rules on permitted development in respect of loft conversions to ensure that such conversions which overlook other properties do not infringe on rights to privacy. (127494)
- 216 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to (a) incentivise and (b) encourage local authorities to transition to low-emission refuse collection vehicles in order to protect refuse workers from high levels of air pollution. (127474)
- 217 **Imran Ahmad Khan** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the cost per prisoner was of operating HMP Wakefield in (a) the 2019-20 financial year and (b) the 2020 financial year to date. (127695)
- 218 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the findings in the report entitled, The impact of Covid-19 on the voluntary sector in criminal justice, published by Clinks on 7 December 2020. (127513)
- 219N **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many employment claims were waiting to be heard by a tribunal in each quarter since 2017. (127698)
- 220N **Rosie Duffield** (Canterbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what plans his Department has to increase county court capacity in Kent. (127616)
- 221 **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to any published criteria or guidance including, but not limited to, the Administrative Court Judicial Review Guide 2020 and Practice Direction 54E (Planning Court Claims), what the process is for the allocation of cases identified as Aarhus Convention claims in Form N461 to judges in the Planning and Administrative Courts; and if he will make a statement. (127495)

- 222N**Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will provide a list of case citations for cases identified as Aarhus Convention claims in Form N461 that were the subject of a hearing in the Planning Court from 1 January 2017 to date. (127496)
- 223N**Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will set out the (a) presiding judge(s) and (b) outcome of each hearing in the Planning Court on a case identified as an Aarhus Convention claim in Form N461 from 1 January 2017 to date. (127497)
- 224N**Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what proportion of applications for (a) judicial review and (b) judicial review involving environmental claims have succeeded at final hearing in each year since the Criminal Justice and Courts Act 2015 came into force. (127498)
- 225 **Christian Wakeford** (Bury South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what data his Department collects on the practice of (a) handcuffing and (b) restraining children in the criminal justice system. (127704)
- 226 **Sir Alan Campbell** (Tynemouth): To ask the Prime Minister, what plans the Government has to enable key workers who will be working over Christmas to take the five day easing of covid-19 restrictions period earlier than 23 December. (127487)
- 227N**Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Prime Minister, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of creating a Ministerial portfolio with responsibility for protections for future generations; and if he will make a statement. (127696)
- 228 **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Prime Minister, with reference to the letter on Climate Assembly UK he received from six select committee Chairs dated 10 September 2020, whether he plans to publish a response before Christmas 2020 to the recommendations of Climate Assembly UK's report entitled, The Path to Net Zero, published on 10 September 2020. (127619)
- 229 **Mhairi Black** (Paisley and Renfrewshire South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the planned budget is of the (a) Office of the Secretary of State for Scotland, (b) Union Unit and (c) Union Taskforce for 2021-22. (127587)
- 230N**Bambos Charalambous** (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what safeguards are in place to ensure that payments made to employers under the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme for (a) salary and (b) pension contributions are administered to employees. (127613)
- 231N**Bambos Charalambous** (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what enforcement powers HMRC have used to ensure that employees receive payment from their employers under the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme. (127614)

- 232N **Bambos Charalambous** (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the effect of the furlough scheme on workers living with disabilities. (127615)
- 233N **Marion Fellows** (Motherwell and Wishaw): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if his Department will provide dispensation to people seeking insurance to travel to restricted countries on compassionate grounds during the covid-19 pandemic. [Transferred] (126913)
- 234 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what long term support he plans to make available to women who leave the workforce to (a) have children and (b) carry out other caring duties. (127479)
- 235 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking to ensure that employees on the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme are paid the national minimum wage. (127481)
- 236 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing support to newly self-employed individuals who have been ineligible for covid-19 support to date. (127482)
- 237 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what fiscal steps he plans to take to help protect high streets from online competition during the covid-19 outbreak. (127486)
- 238N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what additional financial support his Department plans to provide to wet-led pubs affected by covid-19 tier restrictions. (127599)
- 239 **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has plans in place to support sellers who miss the deadline for stamp duty relief as a result of buyers unexpectedly withdrawing from a property transaction. (127618)
- 240N **Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to introduce a duty on aviation turbine fuel sold in the UK after the end of the transition period. (127569)
- 241N **Ian Lavery** (Wansbeck): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2020 to Question 115670 on Offshore Industry and Shipping: Coronavirus, what recent estimate he has made of the number of employees aged (a) 16-24 and (b) 25 years or over that have benefited to date from the Job Retention Bonus payment introduced in the Plan for Jobs; and how many employers have received that payment in each industry. (127562)
- 242N **Conor McGinn** (St Helens North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many employees in (a) St Helens Borough Council, (b) St Helens CCG, (c) St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust, (d) Merseytravel, (e) Merseyside Police

and (f) Liverpool City Region Combined Authority are paid more than (i) £80,000, (ii) £100,000, (iii) £150,000, (iv) £200,000 and (v) £250,000 per annum. [Transferred] (126916)

- 243 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the effect of ending VAT-free shopping on (a) visitor numbers and (b) jobs at Manchester Airport's duty-free retailers. (127682)
- 244 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 20 November 2020 to Question 114262 on Coronavirus Job Retention Incentive, what discussions he has had with (a) trade unions (b) representatives of SMEs and (c) the devolved Administrations on the details of the fund. (127579)
- 245 **Naz Shah** (Bradford West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will bring forward a new UK Government Debt Management Bill to help ensure debt collection is fair in the long term. (127576)
- 246 **Naz Shah** (Bradford West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will allocate funding to the Department for Work and Pensions to (a) make the £20 uplift to universal credit permanent and (b) extend that uplift to legacy benefits. (127577)
- 247 **Naz Shah** (Bradford West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he will suspend all benefit debt deductions during the winter months with immediate effect. (127578)
- 248 **Alison Thewliss** (Glasgow Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will extend the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme to enable employers to reclaim 100 per cent of the cost of a maternity suspension on full pay of a woman (a) who is 28 weeks pregnant or beyond and (b) pregnant and clinically extremely vulnerable or otherwise medically advised to shield. (127591)

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- 1N **Adam Holloway** (Gravesham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether in-person one-on-one tuition in a residential setting with appropriate personal protective equipment is permitted in an area with Tier 3 covid-19 restrictions for pupils with additional needs for whom online lessons are not possible. (127507)
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