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## Questions tabled on Friday 26 February 2021

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### Questions for Answer on Monday 1 March

#### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the readiness of (a) inland and (b) port border infrastructure by July 2021 for the introduction and enforcement of EU import controls. [Transferred] (158873)
  
- 2 **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's research and analysis, Reasonable Worst Case Scenario for borders at the end of the transition period on 31 December 2020, published on 23 September 2020, whether his Department plans to update that research for the introduction of the enforcement of import controls on EU goods from July 2021; and if he will make a statement. [Transferred] (158874)
  
- 3N **Jane Stevenson** (Wolverhampton North East): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what his policy is on the use of non-pharmaceutical interventions to contain covid-19 infections after Step 4 of the Government's lockdown easing plan. [Transferred] (157296)
  
- 4 **Andrew Lewer** (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department will take to provide sector specific support to the wedding industry in response to the restrictions to guest numbers being in place until 21 June 2021. [Transferred] (159022)

- 5 **Gavin Newlands** (Paisley and Renfrewshire North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of the economic effect of the covid-19 outbreak on (a) regional airports and (b) the Government's levelling up agenda. [Transferred] (158963)
- 6 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to phase out the (a) EV Homecharge Scheme and (b) Workplace Charging Scheme after 2022. [Transferred] (159002)
- 7N **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans the Government has to mark United Nations International Day for the elimination of racial discrimination in 2021. [Transferred] (157968)
- 8N **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans the Government has to mark the remainder of the United Nations International Decade for People of African Descent 2015-2024. [Transferred] (157969)
- 9 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of creating a statutory definition of child criminal exploitation, in terms of improving (a) sentencing, (b) probation management in the community, (c) rehabilitation in custody and (d) resettlement and probation support after release from custody. [Transferred] (157983)
- 10 **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of changes in the level of incidents relating to fraudulent calling during the covid-19 pandemic. [Transferred] (158912)
- 11N **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential effect of the increased (a) costs, (b) course length and (c) written examination content in the proposed new Security Industry qualifications on (i) access for the unemployed and (ii) take-up by training providers. [Transferred] (158184)

## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 2 March

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what support the Government plans to provide for people who need help filling in their questionnaire for the 2021 Census. (159350)

- 2 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether Census Support Centres are planned to be open in time for the Census 2021. (159351)
- 3 **Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the President of COP26, what plans he has to promote solutions to tackle methane emissions, including the recycling of organic wastes at COP26. (159334)
- 4 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the President of COP26, how he plans to integrate the findings of the Dasgupta Review on the Economics of Biodiversity on (a) the need for governments to change their primary measures of economic success away from gdp and (b) other priority areas for action into his plans for the COP26 on climate change. (159273)
- 5 **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to tackle infrastructure weaknesses that are a barrier to the roll out of smart meters in rural areas. (159276)
- 6 **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department plans to introduce an alternative scheme to complement the Smart Export Guarantee to encourage small scale low carbon generation in rural areas. (159277)
- 7 **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what proportion of homes classified as rural have installed a smart meter. (159278)
- 8N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what progress his Department has made on negotiating mutual recognition agreements with the EU that would apply to mountain professionals. [Transferred] (158882)
- 9 **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what estimate his Department has made of potential job losses in the wedding industry without additional covid-19 financial support as the sector operates at restricted capacity until 21 June 2021. (159336)
- 10 **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department has taken to ensure that representatives from all sectors of the wedding industry were consulted in the covid-19 reopening plans for that industry. (159338)
- 11N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to ensure that adequate supplies of each covid-19 vaccine are available for second doses in terms of (a) volume of supply and (b) distribution of first doses of Pfizer and Oxford/Astra Zeneca vaccines. [Transferred] (158988)

- 12 **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he plans to increase the financial cap for eligibility for a Debt Relief Order; and whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of increasing that financial cap to £50,000. (159286)
- 13 **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of reviewing every three years the Debt Relief Order monetary eligibility criteria to ensure that those criteria are appropriate. (159287)
- 14 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions his Department has had with the representatives of the ten-pin bowling sector on financial support for its businesses during the covid-19 outbreak. (159252)
- 15 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if he will publish the total gross gambling yield that licensed remote (online) operators receive from customers based in Northern Ireland for the period November 2014 to September 2019. (159303)
- 16 **Peter Aldous** (Waveney): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to his press release, dated Monday 22 February 2021 on the planned extended use of face coverings in class rooms in secondary schools in England, what guidance is he issuing to (a) teachers and (b) parents on (i) deaf or (ii) other pupils who require lip reading, clear sound or facial expressions to communicate within such settings when face coverings are worn. (159296)
- 17 **Peter Aldous** (Waveney): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what advice will be given to secondary schools on how they can apply exemptions from wearing face coverings from the 8th of March. (159297)
- 18 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what financial support and assistance is available to people who plan to train as teachers in (a) religious studies and (b) other humanities subjects at (i) undergraduate and (ii) postgraduate level. (159366)
- 19 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of an educational recovery plan to support all pupils that have had their education disrupted due to the covid-19 pandemic. (159325)
- 20 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 28 January 2021 to Question 96101 on Covid symptoms in children, what steps his Department is taking to monitor common covid-19 symptoms in children; and how is the data on the most common covid-19 symptoms in children influencing testing criteria. (159329)

- 21 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the proposals relating to education in Dasgupta Review on the Economics of Biodiversity commissioned by HM Treasury, what plans his Department has to introduce nature studies in the education system at primary, secondary and tertiary level; if he will make an assessment of whether the teaching of economics adequately integrates nature and biodiversity; and if he will make a statement. (159272)
- 22 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when he plans to publish a timetable for the resumption of (a) domestic and (b) overseas educational visits by schools during the covid-19 outbreak. (159274)
- 23 **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information his Department holds on the proportion of students who enter the 11 plus exam who are eligible for Pupil Premium; and whether this Department has made a comparative assessment of such pupils' performance in that exam with pupils not eligible for Pupil Premium. (159288)
- 24 **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department plans to ensure that Grammar schools collect data on the performance of pupils eligible for Pupil Premium in the 11 Plus exam. (159289)
- 25 **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what guidance his Department has published to support the holding and taking of the 11 Plus exam in 2021. (159290)
- 26 **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the effect of (a) school closures during the covid-19 outbreak, (b) access to good quality teaching and (c) internet access and appropriate IT equipment on pupils from all backgrounds preparing to take the 11 plus exam in the 2021-22 academic year; and what steps his Department has taken to ensure that the disruption to education due to the covid-19 outbreak does not disproportionately affect pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds sitting and passing that exam. (159291)
- 27 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish a list of the members of the independent expert groups on Environment Bill air quality, water, biodiversity and waste and resources targets. (159361)
- 28 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish the timetable for public consultation on targets to be set under Clause 1 of the Environment Bill. (159362)
- 29 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to publish guidance on the interpretation of the significant improvement test set out in Clause 6 of the Environment Bill. (159363)

- 30 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many meetings the independent expert groups on Environment Bill targets have held with stakeholders to date. (159364)
- 31 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Melton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to encourage the adoption of the new geographical indicator logos; and what proportion of producers have already adopted those logos. (159375)
- 32 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Rail Accident Investigation Branch's report into a fatality at Eden Park station in 2020, what funding he plans to provide to accelerate the installation of tactile paving at mainline rail stations. (159359)
- 33 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the findings of the Rail Accident Investigation Board's Report 01/2021 Eden Park published on 19 February 2021 on additional risks posed to blind and partially sighted people, what steps he is taking in response to half of mainline railway stations not having tactile paving. (159360)
- 34 **Marion Fellows** (Motherwell and Wishaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many and what proportion of train stations in (a) the UK, (b) Scotland and (c) Motherwell and Wishaw constituency are fitted with tactile markings at the platform edge. (159332)
- 35 **Richard Fuller** (North East Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what arrangements are in place for the children of separated parents where one parent or child lives overseas to be able to move between their parents during the period of covid-19 restrictions on international travel; and what requirements are in place for (a) self isolation and (b) quarantine. (159266)
- 36 **Mary Glendon** (North Tyneside): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will (a) extend the validity period for driving theory test passes and (b) waive the re-sit fee in the event that a driving theory test certificate has expired during the covid-19 lockdown. (159299)
- 37 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what support his Department is providing to the maritime sector. (159251)
- 38 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Covid-19 Response: Spring 2021 roadmap, published on 22 February 2021, what assessment his Department has made of the risk of transmission of covid-19 on (a) rail, (b) bus, (c) tram and (d) the London Underground. (159378)
- 39 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to standardise covid-19 transmission risk modelling across the transport sector to help give passengers confidence to return to public transport. (159379)



- 40 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking with international counterparts to compare the risks of covid-19 transmission in the provision of transport services. (159380)
- 41 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps are being taken to support bereaved partners who were not married or in a civil partnership. (159365)
- 42N **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of introducing a £20 a week supplement to carers with an entitlement to Carer's Allowance. [Transferred] (158972)
- 43N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will bring forward proposals to change Support for Mortgage Interest from a loan to a grant. [Transferred] (159056)
- 44 **Kate Hollern** (Blackburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of waiving the repayment of the £370 million allocated to community pharmacies during the covid-19 outbreak. (159323)
- 45N **Rachel Reeves** (Leeds West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much and what proportion of the PPE procured by the Government since September 2020 has been made in the UK. [Transferred] (158919)
- 46N **Rachel Reeves** (Leeds West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the Government's timeframe is for meeting the commitment to manufacture 70 per cent of PPE in the UK. [Transferred] (158920)
- 47 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to MS register survey data indicating that three quarters of people said they would benefit from more advice that the covid-19 vaccine is safe, whether he has had discussions with relevant professionals on the safety of that vaccine for individuals with MS. (159301)
- 48 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the implications for its policies of the University of London's recent study finding that eating at least two portions of fish a week was associated with a fifty percent reduction in the risk that a child would develop asthma between the ages of 11 and 14 if they carried a certain version of the FADS gene. (159305)
- 49 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of launching a compensation scheme for frontline staff and key workers suffering from long covid. (159339)

- 50 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support health systems in the poorest countries to distribute and administer covid-19 vaccinations. (159310)
- 51 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to ensure access to covid-19 vaccinations for Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh. (159311)
- 52 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help prevent the collapse of Gaza's healthcare system in the context of the occupied Palestinian territory's surge of covid-19 cases. (159312)
- 53 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the level of food insecurity in Gaza in the context of the covid-19 pandemic. (159313)
- 54 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle the gap in oxygen supply for covid-19 patients in Gaza. (159314)
- 55 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the compatibility of the (a) editorial line taken by the BBC's Arabic service on matters relating to the state of Israel with (b) Government's foreign policy objectives. (159292)
- 56 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the accuracy of recent reports of bias by the BBC Arabic service in its reporting on Israel. (159293)
- 57 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Melton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, which projects funded by the Darwin Plus Programme are in respect of aquatic biodiversity; and of those how many are in respect of coral (a) preservation and protection and (b) disease prevention and eradication. (159374)
- 58 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Melton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the accuracy of recent claims made by the COVAX facility in relation to Bosnia and Herzegovina's vaccine distribution capability; and what steps he is taking with international partners to support vaccine delivery in Bosnia and Herzegovina. (159376)
- 59 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 18 February 2021 to Question 151690, what assessment he has made of the implications



- for his policies of United Nations General Assembly Resolution 73/295 on the International Criminal Court's determination that it has jurisdiction over East Jerusalem, the West Bank and Gaza. (159294)
- 60 **Craig Williams** (Montgomeryshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether it is the Government's policy that permanent Agenda Item 7 at the United Nations Human Rights Council represents systematic institutional bias. (159331)
- 61N **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to tackle fraudulent calling. [Transferred] (158910)
- 62N **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department plans to take to strengthen measures to prevent fraudulent calling. [Transferred] (158911)
- 63 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has held discussions with Cabinet colleagues on how the UK will allow international travel when the global covid-19 infection rate decreases. (159304)
- 64 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when her Department will respond to the letter of 3 December regarding Mr Abdul Rahi. (159239)
- 65 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the report by children's charities, entitled Children and young people's services: Funding and spending 2010-11 to 2018-19, published in May 2020, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the £2.2 billion reduction in funding available for local authority children's services since 2010-11 identified in that report. (159306)
- 66 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to ensure that funding allocations for local authority children's services account for (a) geographical differences in deprivation and (b) levels of need. (159307)
- 67 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether he plans to bring forward legislative proposals to mandate developers to take full responsibility for covering the costs of unsafe cladding. (159308)
- 68 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans his Department has to ensure that people living in homes with unsafe cladding are not excluded from access to insurance cover. (159309)
- 69 **Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger** (Bridgwater and West Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the budget is for the ongoing Somerset Unitarisation consultation. (159242)

- 70 **Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger** (Bridgwater and West Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans he has to publish the total number of respondents to the Somerset Unitarisation consultation. (159243)
- 71 **Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger** (Bridgwater and West Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans he has to publish the number of respondents in favour or against each proposal within the Somerset Unitarisation consultation. (159244)
- 72 **Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger** (Bridgwater and West Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what checks, beyond providing a valid email address, his Department is using to ensure that respondents to the Somerset Unitarisation consultation are genuine residents of Somerset. (159245)
- 73 **Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger** (Bridgwater and West Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether people resident abroad are eligible to respond to the Somerset Unitarisation consultation. (159246)
- 74 **Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger** (Bridgwater and West Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether respondees to the Somerset Unitarisation consultation are required to have reached voting age. (159247)
- 75 **Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger** (Bridgwater and West Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he has taken to stop multiple applications being submitted improperly to the Somerset Unitarisation consultation. (159248)
- 76 **Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger** (Bridgwater and West Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to ensure the appropriate use of funds allocated to local authorities for the covid-19 response. (159249)
- 77 **Mr Ian Liddell-Grainger** (Bridgwater and West Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will include a requirement for respondents to the Somerset unitarisation consultation to declare employment by any local authority subject to that consultation. (159250)
- 78 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps his Department has taken to implement the recommendations of the Safe Homes for Women Leaving Prison initiative's findings and recommendations report; and if he will make a statement. (159341)
- 79 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many non-British nationals who have served their sentence remain held in prison under immigration powers awaiting deportation. (159372)

- 80 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation's report, A thematic review of the quality and effectiveness of probation services recovering from the impact of exceptional delivery models introduced owing to the Covid-19 pandemic, published on 25 February 2021, what steps he is taking to resolve the backlogs of (a) unpaid work and (b) accredited programmes. (159258)
- 81 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation's report, A thematic review of the quality and effectiveness of probation services recovering from the impact of exceptional delivery models introduced owing to the Covid-19 pandemic, published on 25 February 2021, what steps he is taking to ensure that (a) remote supervision methods and (b) alternative delivery arrangements for accredited programmes and rehabilitation activity requirements are robustly evaluated based on their effectiveness and outcomes for different types of service user. (159259)
- 82 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation's report, A thematic review of the quality and effectiveness of probation services recovering from the impact of exceptional delivery models introduced owing to the Covid-19 pandemic, published on 25 February 2021, what steps he is taking to ensure that the digital technology used by probation services is compatible with that used by key partners to facilitate effective liaison and remote service provision. (159260)
- 83 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation's report, A thematic review of the quality and effectiveness of probation services recovering from the impact of exceptional delivery models introduced owing to the Covid-19 pandemic, published on 25 February 2021, what steps he is taking to establish the extent to which service user digital exclusion affects access to available service support and provision and resolve shortfalls. (159261)
- 84N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what plans the Government has to bring forward legislative proposals to update the definition of adultery to include members of the LGBT+ community. [Transferred] (159016)
- 85 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how the pilot temporary accommodation service for prison leavers will ensure vulnerable female prison leavers with complex needs (a) receive appropriate support from local services and (b) are provided with housing beyond the 12 weeks emergency accommodation. (159342)
- 86 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Prime Minister, with reference to his response to the publication of the Independent Review on the Economics of Biodiversity led by Professor Sir Partha Dasgupta, published on 2 February 2021, what plans he has to use the UK's (a) co-presidency of COP26 on climate change action and (b) presidency of the G7 to help ensure that the natural world is prioritised in the global agenda. (159271)

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- 87 **Thangam Debonnaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of making house purchases above £250,000 outside London eligible for Help to Buy ISA bonuses. (159327)
- 88 **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if his Department will extend the (a) reduced VAT rate of 5 per cent and (b) business rates relief to the wedding industry. (159337)
- 89 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the written statement of 2 February 2021, HCWS752 on the publication of the Independent Review on the Economics of Biodiversity led by Professor Sir Partha Dasgupta, what methodology his Department is using to assess the findings of that review; what cross-departmental work is involved in that assessment; and what his timescale is for reporting the Government's formal response to that review to Parliament. (159269)
- 90 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Independent Review on the Economics of Biodiversity led by Professor Sir Partha Dasgupta, what steps he is taking to evaluate and adopt alternative metrics of economic success other than Gross Domestic Produce. (159270)
- 91 **Pat McFadden** (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent representations he has received on raising the limit for contactless spending to £100. (159262)
- 92 **Pat McFadden** (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the risk of fraud in respect of raising the limit for contactless spending to £100; and if he will make a statement. (159263)
- 93 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to lift the public sector pay freeze. (159373)
- 94 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will apply the 5 per cent VAT rate to all ten-pin bowling income and bring it into line with the leisure and hospitality sectors. (159253)
- 95 **Royston Smith** (Southampton, Itchen): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps his Department has taken to ensure that women who previously took maternity leave are not unfairly treated in their applications to the Self Employed Income Support Scheme. (159335)
- 96 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what assessment she has made of the opportunities within the community and voluntary sector in Northern Ireland to help shape the successor programme to the European Social Fund. (159302)
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## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 3 March

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the ONS contact centre will have staff on the telephone who can speak Punjabi when they open on 1 March 2021. (159349)
- 2N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the target response rate is for Census 2021; and what assessment he has made of the effect of the (a) digital first policy and (b) covid-19 restrictions affecting visits to households on that target. (159352)
- 3N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what support the Government has provided to residents of rural areas who are unable to access the Smart Export Guarantee scheme due to infrastructure weaknesses relating to smart meters to encourage small scale low carbon generation. (159275)
- 4N **Ms Nusrat Ghani** (Wealden): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Covid-19 Response: Spring 2021 published on 22 February 2021, what steps he is taking to issue guidance to wedding venues in (a) East Sussex and Wealden and (b) England on the date on which those venues can resume showing couples around their premises. (159333)
- 5N **Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many complaints he has received in respect of non-compliance with the National Minimum Wage (Offshore Employment) (Amendment) Order 2020 since its introduction on 1 October 2020. (159321)
- 6N **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, when the Government plans to appoint a new permanent chair of Ofcom. (159324)
- 7N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 25 February 2021 to Question 155057, on Gaming: Coronavirus, for what reason licensed betting offices with gaming machines are a greater social and economic priority than adult gaming centres with those machines. (159320)
- 8N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, how many registrations his Department has received to the Film & TV Production Restart Scheme to date; how many claims have been made; and how much has been paid out on those claims. (159356)
- 9N **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress has been made on developing a national centre for Family Hubs. (159279)

- 10N **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to rollout Family Hubs across the country; and what resources are being provided by his Department for that rollout. (159280)
- 11N **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to strengthen families. (159281)
- 12N **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment his Department has made of the effect of strengthening families on promoting social mobility. (159282)
- 13N **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to support and promote stable and secure family life to ensure that children have the best start. (159283)
- 14N **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether a new module on the importance of pelvic floor health education can be introduced into the school curriculum targeting girls between the ages of 13-16. (159257)
- 15N **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Government's Covid-19 Response: Spring 2021 roadmap, on what date Outdoor Education services are expected to open for (a) day visits and non-residential activities and (b) overnight residential stays. (159265)
- 16N **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the scientific basis is for his Department's guidance on the policy that it will not be mandatory for pupils to wear face masks when they return to school premises from 8 March 2021. (159284)
- 17N **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether headteachers can enforce the wearing of face masks by all (a) pupils and (b) school staff when school premises are reopened during the covid-19 outbreak from 8 March 2021. (159285)
- 18N **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when he plans to respond to correspondence from the hon. Member for Manchester Gorton of 14 January 2021 on the situation facing special schools and those education settings supporting children with special educational needs during the covid-19 lockdown. (159358)
- 19N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on developing a sustainable long-term solution to incentivise consumer purchase of new electric vehicles beyond the existing Plug in Vehicle Grants. (159367)
- 20N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the ability of car manufacturers to (a) produce and (b) import the required number of vehicles to satisfy consumer demand and meet the Government's 2030 phase out date for petrol and diesel vehicles. (159369)



- 21N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many compulsory basic training tests have expired since 23 March 2020. (159254)
- 22N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many compulsory basic training tests have been undertaken since 23 March 2020. (159255)
- 23N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 24 February 2021 to Question 154650, how many (a) Traffic Officers and (b) control room staff across Highways England's regional operations have responsibility for managing the SRN, including the All Lane Running sections in each of the last five years. (159343)
- 24N **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the number of extended personal independence payments awards due for review which are set to end before a medical assessment can take place. (159371)
- 25N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the oral evidence of the Minister for Employment to Work and Pensions Committee on 11 February 2021, what recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleague's on the Prime Minister's announcement of 30 June 2020 of an opportunity guarantee for young people. (159316)
- 26N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what information her Department holds on the performance of employment programmes procured via the Dynamic Purchasing System. (159317)
- 27N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that all eating disorder services are commissioned to provide NICE-approved treatments for people with binge eating disorder. (159344)
- 28N **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether girls between the ages of 13-16 receive formal pelvic floor health education to help avoid future incontinence. (159256)
- 29N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish the most recent (a) number and (b) proportion of population by age of people vaccinated against covid-19 in each electoral ward in Normanton, Pontefract, and Castleford constituency. (159240)
- 30N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to Questions 146837, 146838 and 146836, tabled on 1 February 2021 by the hon. Member for Worsley and Eccles South. (159264)

- 31N **Mrs Pauline Latham** (Mid Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of treatment provisions for people diagnosed with advanced stage Cutaneous T-cell Lymphoma. (159295)
- 32N **Dr Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans the NHS has for the use of Ovestin cream in preference to mesh removal surgery for the future treatment of victims of the vaginal mesh scandal; whether advocates of that alternative method of treatment include surgeons who previously supported the implantation of vaginal mesh; what evidence base there is for the use of Ovestin cream to diminish symptoms arising from mesh implantation; and what assessment has been made of possible harmful side-effects of using cream as a substitute for mesh removal surgery. (159238)
- 33N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of replacing the covid-19 hotel quarantine system with a PCR test to allow entry into the UK. (159346)
- 34N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will publish the proportion of care home (a) residents and (b) staff offered each covid-19 vaccine dose to date; and what proportion of (a) residents and (b) staff have refused that vaccine. (159348)
- 35N **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to support people with dementia in Bolton who are living in (a) the community and (b) care homes. (159268)
- 36N **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of supplies of the anti-depressant Nardil (phenelzine); and if he will make a statement. (159340)
- 37N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the difficulties that (a) medical and (b) dental clinics are facing due to (i) staff shortages and (ii) reduced patient numbers during the covid-19 outbreak. (159370)
- 38N **Julie Elliott** (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the recent report from Israeli human rights organisations, Breaking the Silence, Physicians for Human Rights Israel and Yesh Din, A Life Exposed: Military invasions of Palestinian homes in the West Bank, what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on the ending of that practice; and what assessment his Department made on the effect of that practice on the community. (159300)
- 39N **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether CDC's planned increase in investment in Myanmar is still scheduled to go ahead in light of the military coup

- in that country; and if that investment was earmarked for Burmese Government trade promotion whether it can be redirected to civil society organisations documenting human rights violations in Myanmar. (159267)
- 40N **Sarah Jones** (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, for what reasons a response has not been provided to Question 123677, tabled by the hon. Member for Croydon Central on 1 December 2020. (159353)
- 41N **Sarah Jones** (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the earliest date is that police forces can expect to receive 2021-22 Violence Reduction Unit allocations. (159354)
- 42N **Sarah Jones** (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, on what dates police forces received Violence Reduction Unit allocations in previous years. (159355)
- 43N **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when his Department plans to respond to the consultation, Supporting housing delivery and public service infrastructure, which closed on 28 January 2021. (159357)
- 44N **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to registrations to the Building Safety Fund, if he will provide a breakdown of pre-tender support allocated under that fund. (159326)
- 45N **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 22 February 2021 to Question 153293, what additional funding the Welsh, Scottish and Northern Irish Governments will receive through the Barnett formula as a result of the £3.5bn announced on 10 February for the removal of unsafe cladding on buildings over 18 metres. (159328)
- 46N **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many applications to the waking watch fund have been (a) received and (b) approved as at 26 February 2021. (159330)
- 47N **Kate Hollern** (Blackburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what methodology his Department used to calculate the £1.5 billion per year that will be required for the UK Shared Prosperity Fund to match EU Structural Funds; and if he will publish that calculation. (159322)
- 48N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will extend unimplemented planning permissions which will or have expired after January 2021. (159347)
- 49N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of developing (a) a bonus-malus or grant scheme, (b) 0 per cent or reduced VAT rate on new electric vehicles and (c) other sustainable long-term solutions to replace the existing Plug in Vehicle Grants to incentivise consumer purchase of those vehicles. (159368)

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- 50N **Mary Glindon** (North Tyneside): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many businesses in the gaming, gambling and leisure industries that applied to reclaim VAT, following the Upper Tribunals decision in favour of Rank and Done Bros in 2020, have yet to receive a refund on the tax. (159298)
- 51N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of implementing a zero VAT rating for the construction of facilities for community amateur sports clubs. (159377)
- 52N **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether Middlesbrough has been shortlisted as a location for the Treasury North campus. (159318)
- 53N **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the (a) terms of reference, (b) criterion applied in the decision-making process, (c) locations and sites being considered and (d) scorings and assessments are of the considered locations for the Treasury North campus. (159319)
- 54N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if his Department will extend the bounce back interest free period on loans by an additional six months during the covid-19 outbreak. (159345)
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## Questions for Answer on Thursday 4 March

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Tony Lloyd** (Rochdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to the letter dated 20 November 2020 from the hon. Member for Rochdale. (159241)
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## Questions for Answer on Monday 8 March

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether his Department has issued guidance on (a) landlords using energy agents to manage utility bills and (b) the rights of tenants to access information about their own billing costs. (159315)

