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## Questions tabled on Friday 18 June 2021

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  - [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.
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### Questions for Answer on Monday 21 June

#### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department plans to take in response to the Environmental Audit Committee's recommendations to (a) remove the barriers to community energy and (b) implement practical support measures to enable community energy to fulfil its role of engaging people and communities in net zero. [Transferred] (16857)
- 2 **Mr David Davis** (Haltemprice and Howden): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the Government has had discussions with (a) the travel industry and (b) private covid-19 testing providers on proposals for reducing the cost of covid-19 tests required for travel abroad. [Transferred] (17678)
- 3 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the success of the NHS volunteer scheme during the covid-19 outbreak. [Transferred] (17777)
- 4 **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help protect retail workers from abuse, threats and violence during the covid-19 outbreak. [Transferred] (17860)
- 5 **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will introduce a minimum unit price for alcohol in England. [Transferred] (17863)

- 6 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what proportion of military spending is spent on UK contributions to UN peacekeeping operations. [Transferred] (16977)
- 7 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what progress his Department has made in establishing freeports in England. [Transferred] (17016)

## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 22 June

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Duncan Baker** (North Norfolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will (a) update the guidance for significant life events including christenings and Bar/Bat Mitzvahs as part of Step 3 of the covid-19 roadmap and (b) clarify limits on the number of guests permitted to attend those events; and what assessment he has made of the potential merits of aligning that guidance with the removal of the cap on maximum guest limits for weddings, civil partnerships, receptions, wakes, funerals and other commemorative events. [Transferred] (17854)
- 2 **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to protect the UK copyright system to support (a) author incomes, (b) publishing companies and (c) the wider book trade. (18504)
- 3 **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if the Government will introduce a car scrappage scheme which incentivises people to replace their higher-polluting vehicle with an electric or hybrid vehicle. (18533)
- 4 **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to support training and apprenticeships in the construction sector to increase the number of qualified insulators to help meet targets to reduce emissions from people's homes. (18535)
- 5 **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when his Department plans to publish the Pathway to Net Zero strategy. (18536)
- 6 **Ruth Edwards** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans the Government has to support the development of hydrogen fuel cell gigafactories in the UK. (18610)

- 7N **Alex Norris** (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made an assessment of the adequacy of existing requirements on (a) hand sanitiser and (b) surface disinfectant products to prove efficacy claims made in their marketing and packaging via appropriate testing in an accredited laboratory. [Transferred] (17816)
- 8N **Alex Norris** (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department has plans to require (a) hand sanitiser and (b) surface disinfectant products to demonstrate their efficacy claims via appropriate testing in an accredited laboratory. [Transferred] (17817)
- 9 **Matt Rodda** (Reading East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an estimate of the future cost to the public purse in the (a) short term and (b) long term in relation to the Natural Environment Research Council and British Antarctic Survey's role as a sponsoring employer of the Merchant Navy Officers Pension Fund pension scheme. (18565)
- 10 **Matt Rodda** (Reading East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what estimate he has made of the projected average entitlement for members of the Merchant Navy Officers Pension Fund pension scheme through the Natural Environment Research Council and British Antarctic Survey. (18566)
- 11 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what his Department's long-term plan is to support the creation of green jobs in the UK steel industry. (18579)
- 12 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of international progress on trials of hydrogen-based steelmaking; and if he will take steps to introduce a similar pilot in the UK. (18580)
- 13 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when his department plans to publish the Hydrogen Strategy, and whether that strategy will make an assessment of the role that hydrogen can play in decarbonising steelmaking. (18581)
- 14 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how his Department is planning to allocate the Clean Steel Fund; and when that allocation will be announced. (18582)
- 15 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he plans to publish his Department's Innovation Strategy. (18585)
- 16 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he plans to publish his Department's Life Sciences Strategy. (18586)

- 17 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that increased life sciences sector activity and funding does not result in increased numbers of animal experiments. (18587)
- 18 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if his Department will publish (a) the full criteria applied to applications for the Future Fund: Breakthrough scheme and (b) an annual list of successful applicants and their co-investors. (18588)
- 19 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if his department will publish (a) the full criteria applied to applications for the Medicines and Diagnostics Manufacturing Transformation Fund and (b) an annual list of successful applicants to that fund. (18589)
- 20 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department has any plans to use the UK's status as an independent nation outside the EU to set a global standard on actively phasing out animal testing. (18590)
- 21 **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of changing travel agencies from non-essential retail to part of the culture, tourism, leisure and sport category to increase their eligibility for covid-19 support. (18485)
- 22 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if he will meet with representatives of gambling affiliates to discuss the role they can play in promoting responsible gambling. [R] (18507)
- 23 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if he will bring online gambling affiliates under the purview of the Gambling Commission. [R] (18508)
- 24 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if he will introduce a registration and licensing regime for online gambling affiliates. [R] (18509)
- 25 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps his Department is taking to support the promotion of physical activity among young people. (18492)
- 26 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps he is taking to promote tourism in the UK after the lifting of covid-19 travel restrictions. (18520)
- 27 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions he has had with exam boards on the appropriate level of rebate which schools and colleges should receive in light of changes to assessments in summer 2021. (18595)

- 28 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will require exam boards to publish details of the costs they have incurred in the assessment of pupils in summer 2021; and how that amount compares to the amount which has been billed to schools. (18596)
- 29N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans he has to allocate additional local authority funding to support schools to provide (a) breakfast clubs and (b) after school clubs until the Breakfast Clubs programme procurement closes. [Transferred] (17741)
- 30 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department plans to maintain funding for physical education and sport in schools at the current level for the 2021-22 academic year. (18487)
- 31 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of including physical education and school sport in the recovery plan for education following the covid-19 outbreak. (18488)
- 32 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to ensure that children with disabilities can participate in physical activity at school. (18489)
- 33 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to help support local school sport organisers with (a) training, (b) quality assurance and (c) local coordination. (18490)
- 34 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he has made an assessment of the merits of extending the eligibility requirements for free childcare for two year olds to support low income parents return to work. (18495)
- 35 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many fishery protection vessels are on patrol in UK waters at any time. (18453)
- 36 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many inspections of EU vessels fishing in UK waters have been made in the last 12 months. (18454)
- 37 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to prevent EU over fishing of UK waters. (18455)
- 38 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to control the red kite population in urbanised areas. (18518)

- 39 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of whether the Government's Action Plan for Animal Welfare will reduce the number of animals used in laboratories. (18591)
- 40 **Ms Karen Buck** (Westminster North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the amounts paid out under the Pothole Action Fund by (a) region and (b) nation of the UK in 2020-21. (18464)
- 41 **Ms Karen Buck** (Westminster North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the amounts paid out under the Transforming Cities programme by (a) region and (b) nation of the UK in 2020-21. (18465)
- 42 **Ms Karen Buck** (Westminster North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the amounts paid out under the Bus Service Operators Grant by (a) region and (b) nation of the UK in 200-21. (18466)
- 43 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he has taken to ensure that Government-approved private providers of covid-19 tests have (a) a published complaints procedure, (b) published minimum standards of service and (c) a compensation scheme for those users who have received inadequate standards of service. (18594)
- 44 **Ruth Edwards** (Rushcliffe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans his Department has to support the recovery of the aviation sector. (18611)
- 45N **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 14 June 2021 to Question 13069 on DVLA: Recruitment, what discussions officials in his Department have had with officials for Government Equalities Office on undertaking an equalities impact assessment on the potential effect on the rights of disabled people of delays in the processing by the DVLA of requests for drivers licences from drivers with medical conditions. [Transferred] (17761)
- 46 **Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to Table SFR0303 of the Seafarers in the UK Shipping Industry statistics, published on 24 February 2021, what proportion of (a) UK, (b) EEA and (c) non-EEA seafarers in each seafarer type has received at least one shot of vaccine against covid-19; and if he will outline the procedures in place to monitor covid-19 vaccination rates in countries supplying labour to the UK shipping industry. [R] (18530)
- 47 **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to provide support for families who are struggling with the cost of childcare. (18505)
- 48 **Mr Ben Bradshaw** (Exeter): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will urgently commission research into the Beta variant of covid-19. (18467)



- 49 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the capacity of covid-19 hotel quarantine ahead of international students from red list countries arriving in the UK at the start of the 2021-22 academic year. (18597)
- 50 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that LBTQ women have equitable access to fertility care. (18599)
- 51 **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions his Department has had with (a) NICE and (b) NHS England and NHS Improvement on the changes needed in the NICE methods and process review to improve access to new medicines for patients. (18537)
- 52 **Peter Dowd** (Bootle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions his Department has had with (a) NICE and (b) NHS England and NHS Improvement on setting levels of ambition in the NICE Methods Review. (18538)
- 53 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how local authority rehabilitation services, such as specialist vision rehabilitation will be included in the proposed new Health and Care Bill duty for the Care Quality Commission to assess how local authorities are meeting their adult social care duties. (18543)
- 54 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to commission the National Institute of Health and Care Excellence to develop guidance and quality statements for local authority tertiary preventative services, including for specialist services such as vision rehabilitation. (18544)
- 55 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how his Department is planning to monitor the quality of local authority rehabilitation services for blind and partially sighted people across England. (18545)
- 56 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of of adapting the NHS opt-out system to allow patients to consent to data being shared within the NHS but not with third-parties. (18558)
- 57 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what data his Department is using to determine which countries are placed on the (a) red, (b) amber and (c) green international covid-19 travel restriction lists; and if he will publish that data. (18559)
- 58 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to allow patients to choose which type of the covid-19 vaccination they receive. (18560)

- 59 **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when Public Health England will publish its report into Gambling Related Harms. (18542)
- 60 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the role that physical education and school sport can play in promoting mental wellbeing among children and young people. (18493)
- 61 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of trends in the level of childhood obesity as a result of inactivity during covid-19 lockdown. (18494)
- 62N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to create a network of early support hubs across the country for young people who experience mental health issues. [Transferred] (17749)
- 63 **Sir Robert Neill** (Bromley and Chislehurst): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will publish weekly data on the number of people who test positive for covid-19 while required to quarantine in a managed quarantine hotel. (18510)
- 64 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve the speed of cancer diagnosis during the covid-19 outbreak. (18519)
- 65 **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of funding a network of early support hubs for young people to access mental health support. (18607)
- 66 **Martin Vickers** (Cleethorpes): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the Government plans announce its choice of British lateral flow test after the signing of contracts in March 2021 with Omega Diagnostics and Global Access Diagnostics in order to meet the target of having the majority of UK lateral flow tests produced in the UK. (18511)
- 67 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the allocated aid budget for Myanmar is for 2021-22. (18521)
- 68 **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessments his Department has made of the developing situation in Sudan; and what support the Government is providing to support civilians caught in conflict in that country. (18499)
- 69 **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the UK is on target to reach UN Sustainable Development Goal 10C of reducing the transaction costs of migrant remittances to less than three per cent by 2030. (18567)



- 70 **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the Blueprint for Action report entitled Remittances in crisis: Response Recovery Resilience, published November 2020, what discussions he had at the G7 on the recommendation that financial institutions should increase access to clear information on the total costs of sending and receiving remittances. (18568)
- 71 **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of taking steps to reduce international remittance costs to support developing countries; and if he will set out a roadmap for reducing those costs in line with the UK's ambitions to reach UN Sustainable Development Goal 10C by 2030. (18569)
- 72 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether it is the Government's policy that the supply of free covid-19 vaccines to qualifying countries will be counted as part of UK aid contributions at the cost valuation of provision. (18457)
- 73 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of whether Morocco's annexation of Western Sahara a breach of international law. (18577)
- 74 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of whether the transfer of Moroccan citizens into occupied Western Sahara is a breach of the Geneva conventions. (18578)
- 75N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the level of risk of contracting covid-19 for people travelling overseas for (a) study and (b) work; and what steps he is taking to mitigate that risk. [Transferred] (17856)
- 76 **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with the Belarus government on the detainment of (a) Roman Protasevich and (b) other political prisoners. (18605)
- 77N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps the Government is taking to work with (a) employers and (b) landlords to ensure that people who (i) applied for the EU Settlement Scheme before the June 2021 deadline and (ii) do not receive a decision until after that deadline has passed have their rights and entitlements upheld while that application is pending. (18532)
- 78 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has (a) had discussions with relevant stakeholders and (b) set a target for the number of Indian nationals to be deported in talks with India on the Migration and Mobility Partnership MoU. (18551)

- 79 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and which (a) Sikh community groups, (b) charities and (c) Gurdwaras her Department has approached on its voluntary return programme, including distributing leaflets and holding surgeries. (18552)
- 80 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how her Department decides whether and which organisations to approach to seek assistance with the voluntary return programme. (18553)
- 81 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish a breakdown of the funding that has been granted to (a) Sikh community organisations, (b) charities and (c) Gurdwaras in exchange for support with the voluntary return programme for each of the last five years. (18554)
- 82 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Indian nationals have come forward via the voluntary return scheme in connection to voluntary return surgeries at (a) Gurdwaras, (b) Sikh community organisations and (c) charities. (18555)
- 83 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many vessels are on patrol in UK waters at any time to tackle migrant boats crossing the English Channel. (18456)
- 84 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps to grant permanent residency to UK troops who are from overseas who have served in the UK armed forces for over 12 years. (18517)
- 85 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to her Department's Annual Statistics of Scientific Procedures on Living Animals Great Britain that showed a seven per cent increase in scientific procedures on living animals in higher education and training between 2017 and 2018, what steps she is taking to ensure the reduction and replacement of animals used in that sector. (18572)
- 86 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Scientific Procedures on Living Animals Great Britain 2018 report published in July 2019, for what reason the number of non-human primates used for the first time in experimental procedures who came from a first generation primate has increased from one in 2017 to 246 in 2018. (18573)
- 87 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Statistics of Scientific Procedures on Living Animals Great Britain 2018 report published in July 2019, for what reason there has been a 16 per cent increase in dog use since 2017 in the context of dogs being given special protection under the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986; and what steps the Government is taking to reduce and replace the use of dogs in experiments. (18574)

- 88 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Statistics of Scientific Procedures on Living Animals Great Britain 2018 report published in July 2019, what the five experiments that were conducted on dogs for the purpose of protection of the natural environment involved. (18575)
- 89 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Statistics of Scientific Procedures on Living Animals Great Britain 2018 report published in July 2019, what types of test made up the 92 procedures conducted on dogs to satisfy plant protection product legislation; what type of products were tested; and what steps she is taking to reduce and replace the use of dogs in that category of testing. (18576)
- 90 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, for what reasons the number of inspections of animal testing establishments carried out between 2011 and 2018 decreased. (18584)
- 91 **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to insulate its housing stock to help meet Government targets to reduce carbon emissions. (18534)
- 92 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 16 June 2021 to Question 12078, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of furnishing vertical launch silos on the UK's aircraft carriers. (18486)
- 93 **Matt Rodda** (Reading East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate he has made of the potential future cost to the public purse in the (a) short term and (b) long term in relation to the Royal Fleet Auxiliary's role as a sponsoring employer of the Merchant Navy Officers Pension Fund pension scheme. (18563)
- 94 **Matt Rodda** (Reading East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate he has made of the projected average future entitlement for members of the Merchant Navy Officers Pension Fund pension scheme through the Royal Fleet Auxiliary. (18564)
- 95 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps his Department is taking to increase access to green spaces for people who live in built-up areas. (18593)
- 96N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he plans to take to ensure that the devolved nations receive the full amount of funds allocated to them under the (a) Community Renewal Fund and (b) Levelling up Fund in the event that insufficient applications are submitted to reach that amount. [Transferred] (17852)

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- 97 **Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the publication of the Household Resilience Study, Wave 2, what assessment he has made of the reasons that the proportion of private renters in arrears has increased during the covid-19 pandemic. [R] (18528)
- 98 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of removing all covid-19 restrictions on weddings pending a negative lateral flow test in line with large sporting events. (18496)
- 99 **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department takes to support people with minor offenses on their record received when they were a minor; and whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of changing the system of automatic revelation of past convictions. (18503)
- 100 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he make an assessment of the potential merits of allocating additional funding for physical education and school sport to account for the period during which those activities were restricted during the covid-19 lockdown. (18491)
- 101 **Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment the Government has made of the ability of individual private landlords to sustain tenant rent arrears that have accrued since covid-19 lockdown measures started in March 2020. [R] (18529)
- 102 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department plans to commit to a 2035 target for near zero emissions in the steel sector in the Net Zero Strategy. (18583)
- 103 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what discussions she has had on self-identification legislation for trans people with her counterparts in (a) Argentina as co-Chair of the Equal Rights Coalition, (b) Ireland, (c) Malta, (d) Belgium, (e) Portugal, (f) Denmark, and (g) Norway. (18598)
- 104 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, when she plans to respond Question 14209, tabled by the hon. Member for Battersea on 11 June 2021. (18592)
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## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 23 June

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the qualifying criteria are for the Platinum Jubilee medal; and what plans the Government has to award the medal to former members of the armed forces. (18525)
- 2N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, which Department is responsible for approving the funding for the Prime Minister's Downing Street residence. (18539)
- 3N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, which Department is responsible for determining the level of funding for the Prime Minister's Downing Street residence. (18540)
- 4N **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, how often the funding level for the Prime Minister's Downing Street residence is reviewed. (18541)
- 5N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 21 May 2021 to Question 5182 on Civil Service: Conditions of Employment, if he will specify (a) whether the legislative provisions which apply to civil servants but are not binding on the Crown refers solely to those arising from paragraph 5 of the Civil Service Management Code or (b) what other such legislative provisions apply on that basis. (18512)
- 6N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to Paragraph 5 of the Civil Service Management Code, what guidance governs (a) the circumstances in which Ministers may make undertakings that legislation which does not bind the Crown will be applied as if it did so and (b) the procedure for issuing such undertakings; and if he will publish that guidance. (18513)
- 7N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many reports of fraud to Action Fraud have involved companies operating buy now pay later schemes, in each month since 2018. (18515)
- 8N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what support is available to travel agencies who used coronavirus grants to refund their customers for cancelled holidays and therefore have inadequate funds to keep their business open. (18480)

- 9N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department plans to take to provide adequate support to travel agencies that are obliged to issue reimbursements as a result of short notice changes in covid-19 restrictions. (18481)
- 10N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans his Department has to support travel agencies after (a) covid-19 restrictions are eased and (b) coronavirus support grants have ceased in the context of travel agents being obliged to refund holidays as a result of changing covid-19 restrictions. (18482)
- 11N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of granting travel agencies additional support in response to the financial impacts of covid-19 restrictions. (18483)
- 12N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department is taking steps to help ensure travel agencies receive adequate coronavirus support to keep their businesses open. (18484)
- 13N **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will issue guidance to schools and colleges on whether educational coach trips planned after 21 June can still take place. (18557)
- 14N **Peter Kyle** (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 10 June 2021 to Question 11547, what the anticipated regional breakdown is of the 750,000 pupils expected to receive tutoring under the National Tutoring Programme in academic year 2021-22. (18546)
- 15N **Peter Kyle** (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 22 April 2021 to Question 183135, how many children are currently receiving tutoring by (a) local authority and (b) region. (18547)
- 16N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the effect of interest-bearing student loans on the number of Muslim students entering Higher Education over the last seven years. (18608)
- 17N **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the report of the Environmental Audit Committee, Toxic Chemicals in Everyday Life, published in July 2019, what steps his Department is taking to tackle the regulation of toxic chemicals used in furniture. (18502)
- 18N **Ms Karen Buck** (Westminster North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the amounts paid out under the Restoring Your Railway Fund by (a) region and (b) nation of the UK to date. (18462)



- 19N **Ms Karen Buck** (Westminster North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the amounts paid out under the Bus Service Operators Grant by (a) region and (b) nation of the UK to date. (18463)
- 20N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when his Department plans to publish the results of the Managing Pavement Parking consultation, which closed on 22 November 2020. (18514)
- 21N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of increasing accessibility to podiatric surgery on waiting times for elective foot surgery. (18526)
- 22N **Mr Nicholas Brown** (Newcastle upon Tyne East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to promote to health professionals the Reading Well social prescribing scheme available free from public libraries as part of a Government-funded covid-19 recovery initiative. (18473)
- 23N **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to allow outdoor group running activities to return safely during the covid-19 outbreak; and what guidance his Department has published for the organisations involved in running such activities. (18500)
- 24N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many surplus covid-19 vaccines the UK will have accumulated by the end of 2021. (18556)
- 25N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to extend the Infection Control Fund for social care providers beyond 30 June 2021 in response to the increasing number of covid-19 cases. (18548)
- 26N **Sir Greg Knight** (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the (a) reliability and (b) efficiency of the company Atruchecks in the provision of covid-19 PCR tests; what customer satisfaction surveys or recent evaluations of that company have been made to date; and if he will make a statement. (18477)
- 27N **Anne Marie Morris** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to tackle the harmful effects on children of the consumption of ultra-processed foods. (18527)
- 28N **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish in any format available the total number of people who have completed covid-19 hotel quarantine to date. (18603)
- 29N **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish in any format available the total number of people who have tested positive for covid-19 while completing red list hotel quarantine to date. (18604)

- 30N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will increase funding for (a) paid and (b) unpaid carers to have access to breaks from their caring responsibilities. (18506)
- 31N **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support covid-19 vaccination of civilians in the West Bank and Gaza. (18498)
- 32N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether tablets donated by British and international pharmaceutical companies will expire and need to be incinerated rather than distributed to willing recipients to prevent and eliminate disease. (18549)
- 33N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much funding was allocated to the 12 International Research Hubs from the Global Challenges Research Fund for (a) 2019-20, (b) 2020-21 and (c) 2021-22. (18550)
- 34N **Matt Rodda** (Reading East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to provide covid-19 related support to Nepal. (18562)
- 35N **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, for what reason it is legal to sell machetes; and if she will make a statement. (18468)
- 36N **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people have been (a) arrested for possession of a machete and (b) injured or killed by a machete in England in each of the last five years. (18469)
- 37N **Mr Nicholas Brown** (Newcastle upon Tyne East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Minister for Crime and Policing's letter of 3 June 2021 on the Safer Streets Fund, where the 10 re-deployable CCTV cameras, 137 secure doors and 350 crime prevention packs will be distributed in Newcastle upon Tyne East constituency. (18472)
- 38N **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether people who (a) had a freedom of movement right to reside on 31 December 2020 or (b) were defined as a relevant family member of a person who had a freedom of movement right to reside on 31 December 2020 and (c) make an application to the EU Settlement Scheme on or before 30 June 2021 will still have the right to reside with protected rights while their application is being decided after 30 June 2021. (18570)
- 39N **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential effect of not providing official confirmation of (a) protected rights and (b) a pending application to the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS) on the rights of EU nationals and relevant family members while they wait for a decision on that application to the EUSS. (18571)

- 40N **Sir Greg Knight** (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of the potential merits of a Seasonal Visa Scheme for qualified HGV drivers, similar to the scheme available to farm workers, to help tackle the UK lorry driver shortage; and if she will make a statement. (18478)
- 41N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to investigate the circumstances into the death of Pte. Anthony Bartlett at Princess Royal Barracks, Deepcut in 2001; and if he will make a statement. (18522)
- 42N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, for what reason the death of Pte. Anthony Bartlett at Princess Royal Barracks, Deepcut in 2001 was not examined in the Deepcut Review published on 29 March 2006. (18523)
- 43N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will take steps to investigate whether the senior officer for Surrey Police investigating the deaths of Pte. Geoff Gray and Pte. James Collinson at Princess Royal Barracks, Deepcut was informed of the death of Pte. Anthony Bartlett at the same barracks in 2001; and if he will make a statement. (18524)
- 44N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether British air defence units in Saudi Arabia helped to identify or track the Houthi drone that was reported to have been intercepted near Khamis Mushait on 17 June 2021. (18600)
- 45N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether British air defence units in Saudi Arabia helped to identify or track the Houthi drone that was reported to be targeting an area near Khamis Mushait on 6 June 2021. (18601)
- 46N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 10 June 2021 to Question 11674 on Oman: Demonstrations, what experience on responding to protests UK military personnel have shared with the Omani authorities since 23 May 2021. (18602)
- 47N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many offences against service law involving victims under the age of 18 have been tried in the Court Martial in the last five years. (18561)
- 48N **Mr Nicholas Brown** (Newcastle upon Tyne East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when he plans to reply to the letter from the hon. Member for Newcastle upon Tyne East of 20 April 2021 on unsafe cladding at St Ann's Quay in Newcastle upon Tyne East constituency. (18474)
- 49N **Mr Nicholas Brown** (Newcastle upon Tyne East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the email from the Building Safety Fund' of 14 June 2021, if he will provide details of the technical assessment stage of the Building Safety Fund's application process. (18475)

- 50N **Mr Nicholas Brown** (Newcastle upon Tyne East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent assessment he has made of the planned timescale of an application to the Building Safety Fund from the technical assessment stage to a decision being made. (18476)
- 51N **Ms Karen Buck** (Westminster North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will publish the amounts allocated under the Future High Streets Fund by (a) region and (b) nation of the UK to date. (18459)
- 52N **Ms Karen Buck** (Westminster North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will publish the amounts allocated under the Towns Fund by (a) region and (b) nation of the UK to date. (18460)
- 53N **Ms Karen Buck** (Westminster North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will publish the amounts allocated to date under the Getting Building Fund by (a) region and (b) nation of the UK to date. (18461)
- 54N **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Answer of 9 March 2021 to Question 163164, what steps his Department plans to take to prevent applications being granted for coal mines which would affect goals of achieving net zero carbon by 2050. (18497)
- 55N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will take steps with the Welsh Government to ensure that the Shared Prosperity Fund allocates adequate funding to resource Business Wales to at least current levels from 1 April 2022 onwards. (18531)
- 56N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will provide a breakdown of the amount spent by local authorities on (a) foster care companies, (b) psychiatrists, (c) private social workers and (d) other third parties in the children's social care sector in each of the last 12 months. (18609)
- 57N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to his Department's policy paper, End-to-End Rape Review Report on Findings and Actions, published on 18 June 2021, what assessment his Department has made of the effect of the change in the level of Government funding to the (a) police and (b) Crown Prosecution Service on the conviction rates of rape cases since 2010. (18506)
- 58N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to his announcement on 18 June on the UK Infrastructure Bank, what plans he has to ensure that projects across all of the UK, including Northern Ireland will benefit from the bank. (18479)

- 59N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions his Department has had with the Competition and Markets Authority on the regulation of buy now pay later companies. (18516)
- 60N **Dame Angela Eagle** (Wallasey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an estimate of the cost to the public purse of removing the No Recourse to Public Funds condition from all people currently subject to that condition. (18470)
- 61N **Dame Angela Eagle** (Wallasey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent estimate he has made of the cost to the public purse of abolishing the No Recourse to Public Funds condition. (18471)
- 62N **Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what proportion of PAYE Real Time Information records received by HMRC cannot be matched to a taxpayer. (18458)
- 63N **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what steps the Government is taking to give full recognition to people in the UK who identify as non-binary. (18501)