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Questions tabled on Thursday 2 December 2021

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Questions for Answer on Friday 3 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment she has made on the effectiveness of the arrangements on royalties, music copyright and licensing for (a) small musicians and (b) new and upcoming acts. [Transferred] (85300)
- 2 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what proportion of the £5.2 billion research and development funding announced at the Autumn Budget 2021 and Spending Review will support the UK's net-zero goal. [Transferred] (85413)
- 3 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to make the final announcement on the Green Fuels, Green Skies Competition following the shortlisting announcement on 23 July 2021. [Transferred] (85303)
- 4 **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what comparative estimate he has made of the number of (a) people undertaking training and apprenticeships in the rail sector and (b) jobs available in that sector. [Transferred] (85240)
- 5 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of requiring people whose benefit payments are paid into a Post Office card account to set up an alternative arrangement on people in (a) Ceredigion and (b) other rural areas. [Transferred] (85345)

- 6 **Paul Howell** (Sedgefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether people who have received a positive PCR Covid-19 test in the last 90 days will still have to take a test on their return from international travel. [Transferred] (85397)
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Questions for Answer on Monday 6 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many Government contracts there have been where Departments have sought and (a) received and (b) not received assurances regarding contractor's tax affairs, by Department, since 2014-15. [Transferred] (85186)
- 2 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to announce the (a) membership and (b) terms of reference of the commission on covid-19 commemoration. (86113)
- 3 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of creating a dedicated Minister for Hydrogen. (86224)
- 4 **Ian Blackford** (Ross, Skye and Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the announcement to include £20 million of ring-fenced in the fourth allocation round of the Contracts for Difference Scheme, what target is in place for electricity gigawatt output generated through tidal marine energy. (86111)
- 5 **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions he has had with (a) the electric vehicles industry and (b) local authorities on provision for electric vehicle charging points for properties with no off-street parking provision. (86100)
- 6N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the £5.2 billion research and development funding announced at the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021, what proportion of that funding will support the UK's net zero target. [Transferred] (85361)
- 7N **Kate Green** (Stretford and Urmston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether it is his policy to allocate the number of places on Help to Grow Management courses by (a) region in England and (b) devolved nation in the UK. [Transferred] (85251)

- 8N **Kate Green** (Stretford and Urmston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many places he has allocated for Help to Grow Management in each (a) region of England and (b) devolved nation of the UK in (i) 2021-22, (ii) 2022-23 and (iii) 2023-24. [Transferred] (85252)
- 9 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to help ensure that a decision on blending 20 per cent hydrogen into the gas grid is delivered in 2023. (86169)
- 10 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what his timetable is for publishing the Low Carbon Hydrogen Standard. (86170)
- 11 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of placing all credible hydrogen production projects under Track-1 of the Cluster Sequencing Process. (86171)
- 12 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans he has to finalise the development of comprehensive regulatory frameworks for hydrogen; and what his timetable is for developing those frameworks. (86172)
- 13 **Nicola Richards** (West Bromwich East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what support his Department is providing to small and medium sized businesses facing increased electricity costs in winter 2021-22. (86225)
- 14 **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of creating a dedicated hydrogen department within Ofgem. (86144)
- 15 **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of conducting a hydrogen village trial by 2025 in Wales to better inform a policy decision on the use of hydrogen for heating buildings by 2026. (86145)
- 16 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to finalise hydrogen business models; and when those models will be published. (86210)
- 17 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of placing all credible hydrogen production projects under Track-1 of the Cluster Sequencing Process. (86211)
- 18 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans he has to finalise the development of comprehensive regulatory frameworks for hydrogen; and when those will be published. (86212)

- 19 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he expects the Low Carbon Hydrogen Standard to be published. (86213)
- 20 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to ensure that a decision on blending 20 per cent hydrogen into the gas grid is delivered in 2023 at the latest. (86214)
- 21 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment has he made of the potential merits of blending 20 per cent hydrogen into the grid by 2023. (86215)
- 22 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans he has to launch a consultation on mandating hydrogen-ready boilers. (86216)
- 23 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of conducting multiple hydrogen village trials by 2025 to inform a policy decision on hydrogen for heating buildings by 2026. (86217)
- 24 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to support trials of manufacturing steel with hydrogen. (86218)
- 25 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of creating a dedicated hydrogen department within Ofgem. (86219)
- 26 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to support medical students during the covid-19 outbreak. (86185)
- 27N **Kate Green** (Stretford and Urmston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to his Department's publication Build Back Better: Our Plan for Growth, if he will publish the (a) number of people aged between 16 and 64 that qualified to NVQ4+ in each NUTS2 region in England and (b) gross value added per hour worked in each of those regions in the most recent year for which both sets of data are available. [Transferred] (85253)
- 28 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to support schools with internet connectivity. (86092)
- 29 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to (a) recruit and (b) retain teachers. (86093)
- 30 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to protect freedom of speech on university campuses. (86094)

- 31 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the (a) cost to universities to reach net zero targets and (b) potential Government support that may be needed to meet those costs. (86115)
- 32 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether the higher education settlement in the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021 takes account of the (a) expansion of targets set out in the Government's draft sustainability strategy for education and (b) Government support that may be required for that expansion. (86116)
- 33 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he plans to take to incorporate the (a) development of the Government's draft sustainability strategy and (b) implications for universities of that strategy in potential reforms to higher education that may result from Sir Philip Augar's review of post-18 education and funding. (86117)
- 34 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to promote free speech in schools. (86067)
- 35 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of requiring schools to fly the Union Flag. (86071)
- 36 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the (a) provision of first aid training at schools and (b) levels of training given to teachers to provide first aid training to students. (86200)
- 37 **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to help support community orchards. (86044)
- 38 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps she is taking to facilitate the development of a UK hydrogen export market. (86223)
- 39 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies on social housing of the finding by Shelter on increases in the number of people living in overcrowded conditions in social housing in the last five years, published on 28 July 2021. (86178)
- 40 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to ensure decisions on Building Safety Fund applications are communicated in a timely manner to (a) building owners and (b) occupants. (86180)
- 41 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has made or commissioned an assessment of the mental health impact on leaseholders of remediation costs for non-compliant cladding. (86181)

- 42 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the average response time is for Building Safety Fund applications; and whether his Department has a target response time for applications to that fund. (86182)
- 43N **Dr Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will take steps to ensure that wholesalers have access to the future Covid-19 Additional Relief Fund; and if he will take steps to include specific reference to wholesalers in the guidance on eligibility to qualify for relief via that fund. [Transferred] (85166)
- 44 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what involvement the York community will have in the selection of a developer for the York Central development. (86121)
- 45 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has made an assessment of the likelihood that shoppers will undertake their Christmas shopping online rather than on the high street as a result of the requirement to wear face coverings introduced on 30 November 2021. (86070)
- 46 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps the Government will take to help first time buyers following the end of the stamp duty holiday. (86193)
- 47 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many full-time equivalent staff are employed by his Department to work on the Managing pavement parking consultation that closed in November 2020. (86177)
- 48 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to review the Renewable Transport Fuel Obligation to encourage investment in hydrogen production. (86168)
- 49 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether electric charging points for cars can also act as electric charging points for (a) cycles and scooters and (b) phones. (86124)
- 50 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will set targets for implementation of electric charging points and infrastructure by (a) 2025 and (b) 2030 for each upper tier local authority. (86125)
- 51 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much his Department (a) has spent as of 2 December 2021 and (b) plans to spend on electric charging points in York. (86126)
- 52 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will commit to ensuring that all new (a) residential and (b) commercial developments have adequate electric charging infrastructure for (a) cars, (b) bikes, (c) scooters and (d) mobility vehicles. (86127)

- 53 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will ensure that all park and ride sites are equipped with electric charging points. (86128)
- 54 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he will take to increase the availability of electric charging points for mobility vehicles. (86129)
- 55 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to increase the availability of flash or high speed electric vehicle charging. (86130)
- 56 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to increase the number of electric charging points at service stations. (86131)
- 57 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to ensure that electric vehicles are recyclable at the end of their use. (86132)
- 58 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to support the development of electric heavy goods vehicles. (86133)
- 59 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the proportion of heavy goods vehicles that are electric (a) lorries and (b) buses. (86134)
- 60 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding has been provided for cycle training to each local authority, including TfL, in each of the last three years. (86158)
- 61 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding for cycle training is available to Transport for London in 2021-22; and how does that amount compare with that of the previous five financial years. (86159)
- 62 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made an assessment of the implications for its policies of recent reports that Transport for London is set to enter a state of managed decline. (86066)
- 63 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has plans to offer incentives to support (a) people and (b) organisations to purchase hydrogen vehicles. (86220)
- 64 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to take steps to reform the Renewable Transport Fuel Obligation to stimulate investment in hydrogen production. (86221)

- 65 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to make a decision on the potential extension of the Renewable Transport Fuel Obligation to cover hydrogen produced from nuclear energy. (86222)
- 66 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to prioritise funding bids that propose to purchase buses from UK-based manufacturers under the Zero Emission Buses Regional Areas scheme. (86194)
- 67 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions on promoting careers in the bus and coach industry via (a) job centres and (b) materials provided to people in receipt of jobseekers allowance. (86195)
- 68 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans he has to support local bus networks to maintain service levels beyond April 2022 in the event that a Bus Service Improvement Plan has not secured funding. (86196)
- 69 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the impact of the shortfall of bus and coach drivers in Britain on that industry. (86197)
- 70 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will remove the requirement for a PSV-specific provisional license for trainee bus drivers to tackle the shortfall of bus drivers in Britain. (86198)
- 71 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of processing times for PSV-specific provisional licenses at the Driver and Vehicle Licencing Agency. (86199)
- 72 **Ronnie Cowan** (Inverclyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Cold Weather Payments have been issued by her Department to households in Inverclyde in each of the last five years. (86114)
- 73 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to (a) identify and (b) reduce fraud within the benefits system. (86078)
- 74 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what initiatives her Department has undertaken to assist jobseekers under the age of 25 to find employment. (86079)
- 75 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she has taken to progress the Departmental target of increasing employment of disabled people by a further million people in the next 6 years. (86080)
- 76 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether individual support programmes are available to employment seekers over the age of 50. (86081)

- 77 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions she has had with the Minister for the Cabinet Office on the delivery of the National Disability Strategy across Government departments. (86082)
- 78 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of the universal credit taper rate reduction on household budgets. (86083)
- 79 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to enable disabled people to contribute their experiences into the process for compiling the planned disability White Paper. (86084)
- 80 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when her Department plans to publish the disability White Paper. (86085)
- 81 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure the effectiveness of (a) inspections and (b) training standards of care among NHS staff. (86183)
- 82 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): SUGGESTED REDRAFT: To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of (a) trends in the level of the workload facing NHS nursing staff and (b) the adequacy of the size of the workforce to meet that workload. (86184)
- 83 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, by what date approved covid-19 vaccines administered overseas will be recorded in the UK vaccine system so that UK nationals vaccinated overseas may access an NHS covid pass. (86187)
- 84 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the November 2021 Royal College of Emergency Medicine Acute Insight Series, Crowding and its Consequences. (86179)
- 85 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate his Department has made of the length of time that restrictions introduced on 30 November 2021 requiring face coverings to be worn on public transport and in shops will remain in place. (86069)
- 86 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether (a) she and (b) officials in her Department have made representations to their Israeli counterparts on encouraging that country to implement the 2019 recommendations of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination that it ensure equal treatment for all persons on the territories under its effective control and subject to its jurisdiction. (86048)

- 87 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what estimate her Department has made of the number of (a) instances of violence against Palestinians by Israeli settlers between 1 September and 30 November 2021, (b) investigations opened into those instances of violence by Israeli authorities and (c) prosecutions for those acts. (86049)
- 88 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many written parliamentary questions her Department has answered on Israel/Palestine since 1 January 2021; and in how many cases the same pro forma response was applied to two or more questions from the same or different hon. Members. (86104)
- 89 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of recent reports of human rights abuses against (a) peaceful protestors and (b) ethnic and faith minorities in Turkey. (86190)
- 90 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent representations she has made to her counterpart in the government of Mozambique on (a) the ongoing conflict and (b) recent reports of human rights abuses in that country; and if she will make a statement. (86191)
- 91 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the prospects for a negotiated peace settlement in Yemen. (86192)
- 92 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether her Department has made an estimate of the number of people that (a) hold a British passport and (b) are being detained in Hong Kong under the National Security Law. (86065)
- 93 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions officials in her Department have had with their counterparts in the US Administration on the rationale for the (a) decision by the US Government to put a dozen additional Chinese based technology companies on its restricted trading list and (b) UK Government taking similar steps. (86068)
- 94 **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with her Polish counterpart on legislation which will enable the Polish Government to limit access to the border zone for journalists and NGOs; and if she will make representations to the Polish Government on the importance of ensuring that aid agencies are able to reach people in need. (86046)

- 95 **Margaret Ferrier** (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 1 December 2021 to Question 80331 on Animal Experiments, what plans her Department has to (a) record future deaths of animals at licensed testing facilities and (b) ensure that unnecessary animal deaths at licensed testing facilities are investigated. (86108)
- 96 **Margaret Ferrier** (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 1 December 2021 to Question 80330 on Animal Experiments: Scotland, what plans her Department has to (a) increase transparency of statistical data in future publications and (b) publish specific data for (i) England, (ii) Scotland and (iii) Wales in future publications of the Annual Statistics of Scientific Procedures on Living Animals. (86109)
- 97 **Margaret Ferrier** (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 1 December 2021 to Question 80330 on Animal Experiments: Scotland, if she will provide the estimated and specific breakdown of costs for providing extracted data for Scotland from the Annual Statistics of Scientific Procedures on Living Animals, Great Britain 2020, published by her Department on 15 July 2021. (86110)
- 98N **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish a response to Early Day Motion 674 on Animals in Scientific Research and transition to new approach methodologies. [Transferred] (85311)
- 99 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of sending migrants that have entered the UK illegally to the Falklands for processing of their asylum claims. (86063)
- 100 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential effect of sending illegal migrants from the UK to the Falkland Islands on the local population of that island. (86064)
- 101N **Theresa Villiers** (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to help ensure that social media companies do not allow people traffickers to use their platforms to advertise criminal activities such as sale of stolen passports. [Transferred] (85204)
- 102 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many notices of intent have been issued to asylum claimants informing them that their cases are being considered for inadmissibility action and how many asylum claimants in receipt of such notices have been returned to safe third countries in the past year. (86149)
- 103 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she plans to reintroduce a service standard for processing asylum claims, following the Department's response to the Independent Inspector's recommendation in November 2021. (86150)

- 104 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if all refugees who seek asylum in England have access to (a) interpreters and (b) translators. (86151)
- 105 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department has taken to ensure that all women and children refugees are placed in appropriate accommodation; and whether female refugees are offered female-only accommodation. (86152)
- 106 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking taken to support veterans with mental health needs. (86188)
- 107 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Crowsnest AEW systems are on order from Lockheed Martin; and what the total value is of those contracts. (86055)
- 108 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, who the Senior Responsible Owner is for the Crowsnest AEW system. (86056)
- 109 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will list the total number of contracts his Department holds with Lockheed Martin by (a) programme, (b) date of contract award and (c) individual contract value in pounds sterling as of 2 December 2021. (86057)
- 110 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many units of the Morpheus communications system he plans to order for (a) the British Army, (b) the Royal Navy and Royal Marines and (c) the Royal Air Force. (86058)
- 111 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he plans to begin withdrawing the Bowman communications system from service; and which system his Department plans to replace the Bowman system with. (86059)
- 112 **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which vehicles in the British Army's vehicle fleet the Army plans to (a) fit or (b) upgraded with the Morpheus communications system. (86060)
- 113 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many armed forces personnel from each service have been discharged because of their HIV status in each of the last ten years. (86186)
- 114 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to support prison leavers into permanent safe and secure housing beyond the twelve weeks of accommodation provided by his Department's temporary accommodation service. (86155)

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- 115 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many women have used his Department's temporary accommodation service for prison leavers since its implementation in summer 2021; and what specific measures his Department has put in place to reflect the accommodation needs of women. (86156)
- 116 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when he plans to roll out the temporary accommodation service for prison leavers to all probation regions in England and Wales. (86157)
- 117 **Sir Geoffrey Cox** (Torridge and West Devon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to extend the rebate for South West Water customers for a further year, in the context of pricing structures for 2022-23 being determined by water companies early in 2022. (86073)
- 118 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what progress his Department has made on providing fiscal support to encourage people to (a) upskill and (b) change career paths. (86095)
- 119 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 27 October 2021 to question 58753 on Corporation Tax, if he will make available on a private basis to hon. Members and Members of the House of Lords the most recent draft of the political agreement being negotiated as part of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's Base Erosion and Profit Shifting framework. (86061)
- 120 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to hold a formal public consultation before holding a vote in Parliament to implement the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's base Erosion and Profit Shifting framework. (86062)
- 121 **Mark Tami** (Alyn and Deeside): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department made an assessment of the potential effect of the Loan Charge on the (a) mental health and (b) number of suicides amongst people subject to that charge prior to its introduction. (86045)
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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 7 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Ian Blackford** (Ross, Skye and Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the £20 million of ring-fenced funding for tidal marine energy as part of the Contracts for Difference Scheme; and if the Government will provide increased ring-fenced funding should that assessment find those funds to be insufficient. (86112)

- 2N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to finalise hydrogen business models; and when he plans to publish those models. (86099)
- 3N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, on what date the Steel Council (a) last met and (b) will next meet. (86107)
- 4N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to decarbonise shops on high streets. (86122)
- 5N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, once power has been restored, if he will commission an independent public inquiry into the national and local response to Storm Arwen. (86076)
- 6N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make representations to Northern Powergrid on creating a fast-track streamlined compensation system for residents left without power as a result of Storm Arwen. (86077)
- 7N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 2 December 2021 to Question 82263, if he will list the various options available to Government for exiting the Special Administration Regime with Bulb energy. (86032)
- 8N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to reduce covid-19 transmission in schools (a) nationally and (b) in Liverpool West Derby constituency. (86208)
- 9N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to improve ventilation in school settings in England in line with guidance from the Health and Safety Executive. (86209)
- 10N **Rosie Duffield** (Canterbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of available nursery places in (a) Canterbury constituency, (b) Canterbury district, during the (i) 2021-22 and (ii) 2022-23 school year. (86167)
- 11N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether the Northern Ireland protocol has been referenced in discussions between UK and US Government ministers and officials on the prospect of the exemption of UK steel companies from section 232 tariffs. (86106)
- 12N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what procurement process is being used to select a developer for the York Central development site; when that procurement process is planned to be launched; and when he expects a developer to be in place. (86120)

- 13N **Gill Furniss** (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what proportion of the £226.5 million Bus Recovery Fund has been allocated to (a) South Yorkshire, (b) Yorkshire and the Humber, and (c) all other regions. (86153)
- 14N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent progress he has made on rolling out electric vehicle charging points (a) nationally and (b) in York. (86123)
- 15N **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to paragraph 4.65 of the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021, what the £3 billion of bus investment across the Parliament will be allocated to. (86201)
- 16N **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to paragraph 4.65 of the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021, how much and what proportion of the £3 billion for bus investment comprises new funding. (86202)
- 17N **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to paragraph 4.65 of the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021, how much and what proportion of the £3 billion for bus investment comprises bus recovery funding. (86203)
- 18N **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to paragraph 4.65 of the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021, excluding the £1.2 billion of new funding for bus transformation deals and funding for zero-emission buses announced in March 2021, what the remaining investment will be allocated to. (86204)
- 19N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what impact assessment her Department has conducted on removing the pensions triple lock; and what estimate her Department has made of how many more pensioners in the Liverpool, West Derby constituency will (a) be living in poverty and (b) unable to afford food, fuel and essentials as a result. (86205)
- 20N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of the 5.7 million people who tested as covid-19 positive in the UK in the last six months his Department has estimated were unvaccinated. (86047)
- 21N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people were invited to register for the REACT study into the spread of covid-19 and flu; and how many and what proportion of those people registered before the closing date. (86033)
- 22N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate he has made of the number of people who have (a) died and (b) suffered serious illness as a result of vaccine-induced immune

- thrombotic thrombocytopenia after receiving the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine against covid-19; and whether he is taking steps to inform victims and their relatives of the provisions of the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979. (86034)
- 23N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many applications have been received under the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979 for compensation for disabilities caused by covid-19 vaccinations; how many staff in his Department are engaged in assessing those applications; and how many of those applications have (a) been successful, (b) been rejected and (c) are still under consideration as of 2 December 2021 as of 2 December 2021. (86035)
- 24N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the Government first became aware of the causal link between the Oxford/AstraZeneca covid-19 vaccine and thrombosis with thrombocytopenic syndrome; what steps his Department took as a result of that awareness; and if he will make a statement. (86036)
- 25N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the Minister for Covid Vaccine Deployment will respond to the dossier of cases of alleged damage caused by covid-19 vaccines presented to her on 18 October 2021 by the hon. Member for Christchurch during the meeting to discuss his Vaccine Damage Payments Bill. (86037)
- 26N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the geographic variation in covid-19 vaccine uptake among 12-16 year olds. (86090)
- 27N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what comparative assessment he has made of the impact of reducing the number of mass covid-19 vaccination centres on the uptake of the covid-19 vaccines among (a) young people and (b) ethnic minority communities. (86091)
- 28N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the proportion of covid-19 testing labs that have the technology and capacity to identify the (a) delta variant and (b) omicron variant from PCR swabs. (86173)
- 29N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether background checks are being carried out on the (a) business and (b) associated people of providers listed on the gov.uk coronavirus travel test provider list. (86135)
- 30N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether criminal record checks are carried out on the (a) business and (b) associated people of companies listed as providers on the gov.uk coronavirus travel test provider list. (86136)

- 31N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether any (a) business on and (b) associated people of the providers listed on the gov.uk coronavirus travel test provider list have been subject to previous enforcement action. (86137)
- 32N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has taken steps in response to the recommendation by the CMA in their report, PCR Travel Tests: Advice to the Secretary of State, published in September 2021, to tackle bait pricing. (86138)
- 33N **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of (a) the average cost per emergency response and (b) the number of successful treatments of cardiac arrest resulting in return of spontaneous circulation in Shropshire in each year since the regionalisation of ambulance services; and what estimate he has made of the average ambulance response time for callers triaged as having (i) a stroke, (ii) a cardiac arrest and (iii) chest pain in Shropshire for the last 12 months. (86075)
- 34N **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, where the new orders for Pfizer and Moderna vaccines will be produced. (86040)
- 35N **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether there is a body within his Department responsible for providing guidance and training to staff on how to manage their information and records equivalent to the Knowledge and Information Management team at the Department for Transport. (86139)
- 36N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions has he had with his counterpart in Bosnia and Herzegovina regarding upholding the Dayton Agreement and ensuring peace in that country. (86174)
- 37N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with (a) the EU and (b) his European counterparts on ensuring peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina. (86175)
- 38N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of imposing sanctions on countries whose activities undermine the Dayton Agreement and peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina. (86176)
- 39N **Gill Furniss** (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions she has had with her international counterparts on the settlement of refugee children from Afghanistan with no familial links to other countries. (86154)

- 40N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many covid-19 vaccine doses have been donated overseas since 1 November 2021. (86163)
- 41N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many covid-19 vaccine doses were donated to other countries between the 1 September and 1 November 2021. (86164)
- 42N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she plans to take steps in response to the Hong Kong Watch report's finding that more than 100 former members of the Afghan security forces have been summarily executed or disappeared by the Taliban since it took power in Kabul in August 2021. (86105)
- 43N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the impact of Russian arms sales to (a) Republika Srpska and (b) Serbia on peace and stability in that region. (86146)
- 44N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of convening an international meeting on the situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina. (86147)
- 45N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with (a) the Secretary of State for Defence and (b) NATO partners on contingency plans to support EUFOR in Bosnia and Herzegovina. (86148)
- 46N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the Afghan citizens resettlement scheme will open by the end of 2021. (86206)
- 47N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what practical support and services, including legal support, will be available to help families, including constituents in Liverpool West Derby, to navigate the Afghan citizens resettlement scheme when it opens. (86207)
- 48N **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 2 December 2021 to Question 83279 on Refugees: Housing, what consultation her Department carried out with each local authority prior to taking the decision to place asylum seekers in each local authority area. (86074)
- 49N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions she has had with the British Au Pair Agencies Association regarding the impact of Brexit on the au pairing sector. (86140)
- 50N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of the potential merits of establishing a dedicated immigration route for au pairs from the EU. (86141)

- 51N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of including the EU within the Youth Mobility Scheme. (86142)
- 52N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many of the 5,000 temporary visas for overseas heavy goods vehicle drivers made available in September 2021 have been issued to date. (86072)
- 53N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 2 December 2021 to Question 83229 on Army: Reorganisation, what estimate he has made of the total planned strength of the infantry by 2024-25. (86041)
- 54N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what data the HM Courts and Tribunals Service holds on (a) which court buildings have the highest number of urgent repairs outstanding, (b) what those repairs are and (c) how long the work on those repairs will take to complete. (86096)
- 55N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the HM Courts and Tribunals Service's response to the consultation paper entitled Fit for the future: transforming the Court and Tribunal Estate, what effect the implementation of building champions has had on reducing the time taken to complete small repair works; and if the HM Courts and Tribunals Service will publish monthly or quarterly reports on repairs undertaken. (86097)
- 56N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether any courts or tribunals buildings have had to close to undertake repairs or maintenance work in each of the last five years. (86098)
- 57N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many calls to the telephone lines operated for taxation advice by HMRC were cut-off by the HMRC telephony system in January 2021 (a) due to the calls exceeding the telephone system queuing time limits and (b) for other reasons. (86118)
- 58N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in January 2021 how many calls to HMRC's telephone advice lines for people completing a self assessment form were not answered by an HMRC call agent within (a) 20 minutes, (b) 15 minutes, (c) 10 minutes, (d) 5 minutes. (86119)
- 59N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an estimate of the annual revenue to the Exchequer that would have arisen in 2019-20 from extending (a) the present road fuel duty applicable to petrol to aviation fuel and (b) standard rate value added tax to airline passenger ticket sales. (86160)

- 60N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an estimate of how much the £3.6 billion of Air Passenger Duty levied in 2019-20 would have increased by in the event that the exemption on Air Passenger Duty for international-to-international transit passengers at UK airports had been removed. (86161)
- 61N **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the size of the increase in the level of card only transactions during the covid-19 outbreak; and what assessment he has made of the impact of that increase on vulnerable groups of people. (86162)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 8 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Jane Stevenson** (Wolverhampton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what support is available for full-time further education students seeking apprenticeship opportunities. (86189)
- 2N **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people with down syndrome are imprisoned in (a) England, (b) Wales and (c) Scotland as of 2 December 2021. (86042)
- 3N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the status of (a) his Department's Approach to Investment Decisions project and (b) the associated Acquisition Review is as of 2 December 2021. (86050)
- 4N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to publish the conclusions of his Department's Approach to Investment Decisions project; and if he will make a statement. (86051)
- 5N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when the contract for the Head of Defence Equipment and Support expires. (86052)
- 6N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the total expenditure on (a) Le TACSIS and (b) the associated Project Morpheus is as of 2 December 2021. (86053)
- 7N **Mr Mark Francois** (Rayleigh and Wickford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what deliverables have been received by his Department from contractors in relation to Project Morpheus as of 2 December 2021. (86054)

- 8N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many complaints of (a) bullying, (b) sexism, (c) sexual assault, (d) physical abuse and (e) emotional abuse has the Diversity and Inclusion Directorate received since April 2021; and how many complaints have resulted in (i) dismissal or (ii) discharge. (86165)
- 9N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many calls to the Diversity and Inclusion Directorate's Bullying, Harassment and Discrimination helpline have been received since it was established. (86166)
- 10N **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Education on introducing teaching about joint enterprise law into the national curriculum. (86043)
- 11N **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of the proposed changes to the research and development tax reliefs on the amount of private investment in research and development in the UK. (86101)
- 12N **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to his Departments R&D Tax Reliefs report published in November 2021, how much and what proportion of the £47.5 billion of research and development expenditure that UK companies claimed tax relief on was for activities taking place outside of the UK. (86102)
- 13N **Debbie Abrahams** (Oldham East and Saddleworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021, what discussions he has had with relevant sector stakeholders on the potential effect of the proposed changes to the research and development tax reliefs on (a) the economy, (b) jobs in that sector and (c) levels of research and development investment in the UK. (86103)

Oral Questions to the Prime Minister

- 1 **Nicola Richards** (West Bromwich East): If he will list his official engagements for Wednesday 8 December. (904643)
- 2 **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): (904644)
- 3 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): (904645)
- 4 **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): (904646)
- 5 **Bob Seely** (Isle of Wight): What recent progress he has made on bringing forward proposals for an island deal for the Isle of Wight; and if he will make a statement. (904647)
- 6 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): (904648)

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| 7 | Bob Blackman (Harrow East): | (904649) |
| 8 | Cat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): | (904650) |
| 9 | Dr Caroline Johnson (Sleaford and North Hykeham): | (904651) |
| 10 | David Warburton (Somerton and Frome): | (904652) |
| 11 | Jack Dromey (Birmingham, Erdington): | (904653) |
| 12 | John McNally (Falkirk): | (904654) |
| 13 | Douglas Chapman (Dunfermline and West Fife): | (904655) |
| 14 | Dr Luke Evans (Bosworth): | (904656) |
| 15 | Graham Stuart (Beverley and Holderness): | (904657) |

Questions for Answer on Thursday 9 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Answer of 26 October 2021 to Question 58820, on how many occasions his Department has been notified of (a) an operator or (b) a farm not meeting the required standards. (86086)
- 2N **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, on how many occasions workers employed under the Seasonal Worker pilot have (a) complained about their employer, (b) requested a transfer and (c) been transferred. (86087)
- 3N **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, on what date the most recent meeting took place between a Minister from his Department and (a) Pro-Force Ltd, (b) Fruitful Jobs, (c) Concordia Ltd and (d) AG Recruitment and Management Ltd. (86088)
- 4N **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the current number of workers employed under the Seasonal Worker pilot who are subject to zero-hours contracts; and if he will make a statement. (86089)
- 5N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the progress of the covid-19 booster programme in ensuring that people who are housebound receive their booster vaccination. (86038)

- 6N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the difficulties faced by people with disabilities, such as a visual impairment, in using use covid-19 lateral flow testing kits at home. (86039)
- 7N **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what progress she has made on reviewing the No Recourse to Public Funds condition in response to the recommendations in the report by the Equality and Human Rights Commission, published in November 2020, assessing her Department's hostile environment policy. (86143)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

- 1 **Marco Longhi** (Dudley North): What steps he is taking to help agri-food businesses export their goods. (904666)
- 2 **Mr Gagan Mohindra** (South West Hertfordshire): What recent progress he has made on implementing the provisions of the Environment Act 2021. (904667)
- 3 **Danny Kruger** (Devizes): What steps he is taking to improve water quality. (904668)
- 4 **Liz Twist** (Blaydon): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential impact on (a) the environment and (b) public health of toxic air from landfill sites. (904669)
- 5 **Greg Smith** (Buckingham): What steps he is taking to help farmers increase productivity. (904670)
- 6 **Jason McCartney** (Colne Valley): What steps he is taking to promote tree planting. (904671)
- 7 **Mark Menzies** (Fylde): What steps he is taking to improve water quality. (904672)
- 8 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): What assessment he has made of the potential merits of bringing forward a standalone clean air Bill. (904673)
- 9 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): What steps he is taking to tackle dog theft. (904674)
- 10 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): What assessment he has made of the potential merits of bringing forward a standalone clean air Bill. (904675)
- 11 **Mark Eastwood** (Dewsbury): What steps he is taking to support food and drink exporters. (904676)
- 12 **Martin Vickers** (Cleethorpes): What steps he is taking to help agri-food businesses export their goods. (904677)
- 13 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): What steps he is taking to support farmers who will lose income as a result of progressive reductions to the Basic Payment Scheme. (904678)

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- 14 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester, Withington): What recent discussions he has had with the Environment Agency on the adequacy of flood risk management in inner cities. (904679)
- 15 **James Grundy** (Leigh): What steps he is taking to help agri-food businesses export their goods. (904680)
- 16 **Tom Randall** (Gedling): What steps he is taking to tackle plastic pollution. (904681)
- 17 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): What steps he is taking to ensure the planting of more trees. (904682)
- 18 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): What recent steps he has taken to ensure that untreated sewage is not discharged into rivers, inland waterways and the sea. (904683)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

- T1 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (904658)
- T2 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): (904659)
- T3 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): (904660)
- T4 **Harriett Baldwin** (West Worcestershire): (904661)
- T5 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): (904662)
- T6 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): (904663)
- T7 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): (904664)
- T8 **Caroline Ansell** (Eastbourne): (904665)

Oral Questions to the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, the hon. Member for Broxbourne, representing the House of Commons Commission, the Right hon. Member for Gainsborough representing the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body, the Chairman of the Public Accounts Commission and the hon. Member for City of Chester, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission

- 1 **Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the hon. Member for City of Chester, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, what recent assessment the Committee has made of the potential effect of proposals in the Elections Bill on independence of process for oversight of electoral spending, party finance and donations. (904631)

- 2 **Steven Bonnar** (Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill): To ask the hon. Member for City of Chester, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, what recent assessment the Committee has made of the potential effect on electoral participation of the proposal in the Elections Bill to introduce voter ID. (904632)
- 3 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what proposals the Church of England has to put the maintenance of churches and cathedrals on a sustainable basis. (904633)
- 4 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church Commissioners are taking to ensure that the Warroch Hill property in Perthshire contributes positively to the local environment. (904634)
- 5 **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the hon. Member for City of Chester, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, what recent assessment the Committee has made of the potential effect of proposals in the Elections Bill on independence of process for oversight of electoral spending, party finance and donations. (904635)
- 6 **Mrs Sheryll Murray** (South East Cornwall): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church of England is taking to support family relationships, parenting and marriage. (904636)
- 7 **Mr Philip Hollobone** (Kettering): To ask the Chairman of the Public Accounts Commission, what the planned timescale is for the Government's response to the National Audit Office's report, Financial sustainability of schools in England, published in November 2021. (904637)
- 8 **Danny Kruger** (Devizes): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church of England is taking to strengthen its parish ministry. (904638)
- 9 **Michael Fabricant** (Lichfield): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what discussions the Church Commissioners have had with the deans of English cathedrals on methodologies to generate sustainable incomes. (904639)
- 10 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the hon. Member for Broxbourne, representing the House of Commons Commission, if the Commission will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the rules on hon. Members bringing infants into the Chamber, in the context of the Commission's work on the gender-sensitive Parliament. (904640)
- 11 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church of England is taking to connect with people who are isolated and lonely in their communities. (904641)

- 12 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland): To ask the hon. Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what steps the Church of England is taking to strengthen its parish ministry. (904642)