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Questions tabled on Wednesday 15 December 2021

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Questions for Answer on Thursday 16 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the 10 Downing Street Quiz held on 15 December 2020, who attended that event physically; and how Tier Two covid-19 restrictions on that date were complied with by attendees.
[Transferred] (92058)
- 2N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the alleged 10 Downing Street quiz held on 15 December, (a) what the quiz questions were, (b) what the answers to the quiz were and (c) whether any prizes were given out.
[Transferred] (92059)
- 3N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the 10 Downing Street Quiz held on 15 December 2020, at what time did that quiz (a) start and (b) finish; and what the estimated cost to the public purse was of that event.
[Transferred] (92060)
- 4 **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what her Department's timeframe is for confirming funding for the School Games Organiser Network beyond March 2022.
[Transferred] (92864)

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- 5 **Chris Loder** (West Dorset): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the provision of services for children with special educational needs and disabilities in (a) Dorset and (b) West Dorset constituency. [Transferred] (93057)
- 6 **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of businesses in the UK's hospitality sector have taken part in the Government's Kickstart scheme. [Transferred] (92949)
- 7N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many veterans were (a) referred to or (b) contacted Op Courage for support in (i) April-July and (ii) August-November 2021. [Transferred] (92047)
- 8N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many veterans received support from Op Courage between (a) April-July and (b) August-November 2021. [Transferred] (92048)
- 9N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the average amount of time it takes between an individual making initial contact with Op Courage to that individual attending an assessment appointment. [Transferred] (92049)
- 10 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to ensure that online platforms are obliged to cooperate with the police and with other platforms to pursue perpetrators of abuse on their platforms. [Transferred] (92960)
- 11 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people have been extradited from (a) the UK to Europe and (b) Europe to the UK under the European arrest warrant in 2021. [Transferred] (92844)
- 12 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to tackle text scams. [Transferred] (92938)
- 13 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of temporarily cutting VAT on energy to assist vulnerable households with rising energy costs. [Transferred] (93074)
- 14N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential effect of rising levels of inflation on small businesses. [Transferred] (91975)
- 15 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate he has made of the total amount spent on childcare in England (a) from all sources and (b) from the public purse in each of the last five years. [Transferred] (92910)
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Questions for Answer on Thursday 30 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the effect of provisions in the Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Bill on the protection by higher education providers of academics' freedom of speech. (93854)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 5 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will publish (a) arrangements for reimbursement of expenses and (b) the financial terms of the retiral of the Permanent Secretary to the Scottish Government. (93905)
- 2 **Angela Rayner** (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to answer Question 88733, tabled by the hon. Member for Ashton-under-Lyne on 7 December 2021, before the House rises on 16 December 2021. (93767)
- 3 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the President of COP26, what steps are being taken to ensure that the Government meets the COP26 goal of developed countries doubling their collective provision of climate finance for adaptation to developing countries by 2025. (93816)
- 4 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to increase safety of toys being sold online; and whether he plans to bring forward a strategy for online marketplaces to (a) improve their verification and complaints processes, (b) inform consumers when they are buying from a third party, (c) remove unsafe products, and (d) proactively identify unsafe products, such as recalled goods. (93911)
- 5 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent assessment he has made of the impact on (a) residential communities and (b) the environment of 120-decibel fireworks. (93751)
- 6 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of reducing the maximum noise levels of fireworks. (93752)

- 7 **Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will list which energy retail companies have become insolvent in 2021; on which date each of those companies stopped trading; how many customers were transferred as result of those insolvencies; how many customers remain to be transferred as result of those insolvencies; how much consumer credit has been transferred or returned to customers; what administration costs were associated with the transfer of those customers; what other costs were associated with those insolvencies and transfer of customers; and what the value is of any outstanding renewables obligations connected to those insolvencies. (93786)
- 8N **Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions he has had with EDF on the operation of Torness nuclear power station; and what the latest estimated shutdown date is. (93787)
- 9N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when a statutory entitlement to carer's leave will be introduced. [Transferred] (93062)
- 10 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will publish a definition of sustainably sourced in relation to wood burning in domestic appliances. (93692)
- 11 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he had with the Climate Change Committee on the report by its UK Health Expert Advisory Group report entitled Sustainable Health Equity: Achieving a Net Zero UK before publication of the Sixth Carbon Budget in December 2020. (93693)
- 12 **Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what progress he has made in completing the review of Local Economic Partnerships. (93906)
- 13 **Marion Fellows** (Motherwell and Wishaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities 2016 inquiry UK 2021 follow-up report published in December 2021, when he plans to being the consultation on default approaches to flexible working; on what date he expects that consultation will finish; and when he expects the next steps and recommendations to be published. (93785)
- 14N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what legislative steps he is taking to promote tidal energy. [Transferred] (92996)

- 15N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions he has had with the (a) Federation of Small Businesses and (b) British Chambers of Commerce on the level of preparedness of small and occasional importers of the changes to import processes effective from 1 January 2022; and if he will make a statement. (93761)
- 16 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what additional support he will make available to businesses if further covid-19 lockdown restrictions are introduced. (93800)
- 17 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions and communications he has had with online marketplaces with regards to the UK's exhaustion of intellectual property rights regime. (93847)
- 18 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of an international copyright exhaustion regime on the UK's book industry; and what plans he has to publish that assessment. (93848)
- 19 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has made a recent assessment of the economic impact over the course of a person's life associated with online abuse for (a) women and (b) men. (93771)
- 20 **Ben Bradley** (Mansfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of including information on endometriosis in the RSE curriculum. (93894)
- 21 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to tackle rising levels of antisemitism on university campuses. [R] (93902)
- 22N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the spread of the omicron variant of covid-19, what assessment has he made of the adequacy of the current (a) resourcing of and (b) support provided to special schools for (a) improving ventilation in schools and (b) implement other covid-19 mitigation measures. (93818)
- 23 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the spread of the omicron variant of covid-19, what (b) assessment he has made of the potential effect of the spread of the variant on absences from special schools and (b) steps is he taking to ensure students who attend those schools required to isolate are able to access continued learning and support. (93819)

- 24 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the spread of the omicron variant of covid-19, what (a) assessment he has made of trends in the levels of staff sickness in special schools and (b) steps is he taking to support those schools to stay safely open. (93820)
- 25 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the spread of the omicron variant of covid-19, whether his Department has issued updated guidance to children's social care providers on mitigating measures to prevent the spread of covid-19. (93821)
- 26N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the spread of the omicron variant of covid-19, what (a) assessment he has made of trends in the level of staff sickness in children's social care and (b) steps is he taking to support those providers. (93822)
- 27N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the spread of the omicron variant of covid-19, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of (a) resourcing and (b) support provided to (i) nurseries and (ii) early years childcare providers on the provision of (A) improved ventilation and (B) other covid-19 mitigation measures in those settings. (93823)
- 28N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what (a) assessment he has made of the potential impact of the omicron variant on (i) children's centres and (ii) youth clubs, and (b) steps he is taking to help ensure holiday provision can remain safely open during the Christmas holidays. (93824)
- 29 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment he has made of the number of early years workers who have left the sector compared to the number of new joiners in each of the past five years. (93825)
- 30 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the spread of the omicron variant of covid-19, whether he has issued updated guidance to (a) nurseries and (b) early years providers on mitigating measures to prevent the spread of covid-19. (93826)
- 31 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps is he taking to support early years providers to recruit and retain staff. (93827)
- 32 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the number of foster care placements which have been unsuccessful in England in 2020-21 by region. (93828)
- 33 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the number of adoption placements which have been unsuccessful in England in 2020-21 by region. (93829)

- 34 **Dame Margaret Hodge** (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department has plans to (a) maintain funding to and (b) extend the contract for Family Rights Group's family advice service beyond March 2022. (93676)
- 35 **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what funding his Department has allocated to projects aimed at supporting the teaching of (a) English, (b) mathematics, (c) music, (d) languages, (e) science, (f) geography and (g) religious education in the last 5 years, excluding examination reform. (93925)
- 36 **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential adequacy of penalties faced by those prosecuted for operating illegal schools; and if they will make a statement. (93926)
- 37 **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he plans to take steps to prevent children who receive all their education in (a) unregistered and (b) unregulated religious schools from being exposed to homophobia, sexism and extremism. (93927)
- 38 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what additional support will he provide schools to ensure that they can safely open in January. (93801)
- 39 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he has held discussions on introducing mandatory covid-19 vaccinations for school (a) teachers and (b) workers. (93802)
- 40 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will seek to increase the number of agency teaching staff as a result of shortages of teachers due to the covid-19 outbreak. (93803)
- 41 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what (a) assessment he has made of the adequacy of the number of teachers and (b) steps he is taking to improve teacher retention. (93804)
- 42 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of steps to improve the pay of teaching support staff. (93805)
- 43 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the number of schools in York that have adequate ventilation to prevent the spread of covid-19. (93806)
- 44 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he is taking steps to fast track the covid-19 booster vaccination programme for schools in January 2021. (93807)

- 45 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of guidance on ventilation in schools on air pollution in classrooms. (93874)
- 46 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment his department has made of the potential impact of ventilation guidance on the cost of energy bills for schools in England. (93875)
- 47 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many guidance updates for schools his Department has published in each of the last five years. (93876)
- 48 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many teachers have been recruited from overseas in each of the last five years. (93877)
- 49 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools have applied to be Behaviour Hubs in each month since that scheme's launch. (93878)
- 50 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate his Department has made of the number of schools with Mental Health Support Workers. (93879)
- 51 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent estimate he has made of the number and proportion of schools that have access to a professional careers advisor. (93880)
- 52 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the number of schoolchildren who have had access to a professional careers advisor in each of the last five years. (93881)
- 53 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the number of children who took part in work experience through their schools in each of the last five years. (93882)
- 54 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many complaints have been received from schools regarding carbon dioxide monitors delivered by his Department. (93883)
- 55 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average length of cable is for carbon dioxide monitors delivered to schools by his Department. (93884)
- 56 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average length of battery life is for the carbon dioxide monitors delivered to schools by his Department. (93885)

- 57 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what information his Department holds on the number of unsafe readings detected in schools by carbon dioxide detectors distributed by the Government. (93886)
- 58 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what due diligence his Department did on Randstad prior to being awarded the contract to run the National Tutoring Programme; and if he will make a statement. (93887)
- 59 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent conversations he has had with Randstad on the delivery of the National Tutoring Programme. (93888)
- 60 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when he plans to publish enrolment figures on the three strands of the National Tutoring Programme; and if he will make a statement. (93889)
- 61 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he had discussions with representatives of Randstad prior the awarding of the contract for the National Tutoring Programme. (93890)
- 62 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he expects the National Tutoring Programme to meet its enrolment target of 524,000 for 2020-21. (93891)
- 63 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he will take with Randstad to improve the online delivery platform for the National Tutoring Programme. (93892)
- 64 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what proportion of people enrolled on the National Tutoring Programme in 2020-21 were in receipt of free school meals. (93893)
- 65 **Kate Osborne** (Jarrow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress his Department has made, in discussion with the Department of Health and Social Care and the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, in agreeing funding for the School Games Organiser network beyond March 2022. (93908)
- 66N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of professional training available within companies for existing staff seeking to upskill within their current role. (93735)
- 67N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to support employers with the provision of (a) training and (b) continuing professional development for existing staff. (93736)
- 68N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will make an assessment of the potential effect of the lifelong loan entitlement subsuming the Student Loans Company processes on current account holders with that company. (93737)

- 69N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the (a) likelihood and (b) potential effect of lifelong loan entitlement subsuming the Student Loans company. (93738)
- 70 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential (a) financial and (b) administrative effect of the lifelong loan entitlement on higher education providers. (93739)
- 71 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of access to the lifelong loan scheme for people who have a degree qualification. (93740)
- 72 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that the funding of the higher education system is protected against increasing inflation. (93855)
- 73 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment he has made of the potential effect of rising inflation on the funding of the higher education system since student fees were capped at £9250. (93856)
- 74 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent estimate he has made the number of fraudulent loans given out by the Student Loans Company. (93857)
- 75 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment he has made through financial modelling of the effect of different interest rates on (a) the size of future debt, (b) students' ability to repay and (c) the size of the total loan debt arising from student loans. (93858)
- 76 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment he has made of the purchasing power of the maximum amount of undergraduate maintenance loan. (93859)
- 77 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment he has made of the sustainability of the student loan system and its effect on the public finances under the current repayment thresholds. (93860)
- 78 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment he has made of the impact on BAME students of any changes to the student loan repayment threshold. (93861)
- 79 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment he has made of the impact on BAME students of the current student loan repayment conditions. (93862)

- 80 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans the Government has to extend the concession that allows universities to sponsor a student's visa for distance learning, which is due to expire in April 2022. (93863)
- 81 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what data his Department has collated on the number of cases of covid-19 recorded across campuses in England and Wales. (93864)
- 82 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment has he made of trends in the level of skills shortages in sectors of strategic importance across the UK economy. (93865)
- 83 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the proportion of students who left school in summer 2021, aged 18, who did not go onto further and higher education. (93866)
- 84 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent comparative assessment he has made of the levels of demand among 18 to 25 year olds for (a) apprenticeships and (b) traditional further and higher education full time provision. (93867)
- 85 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the levels of demand for modular provision within higher education. (93868)
- 86 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of the reduction in funding to UniConnect for 2021-22 on access to higher education. (93869)
- 87 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of funding for higher education providers to widen access programmes in the context of an increase in providers registered with the Office for Students. (93870)
- 88 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the proportion of higher education students who transfer between higher education institutions in any given year; and what assessment he has made of the socio-economic backgrounds of those students. (93871)
- 89 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of an introduction of minimum entry requirements of GCSE English and Maths (Level 4) for students seeking to study in Higher Education. (93872)
- 90 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made on the take-up of degree apprenticeships since their introduction. (93873)

- 91N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions his Department has had with the Environment Agency on the cause of the recent increase in glass Packaging Recycling Notes. (93678)
- 92 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his latest estimate of the proportion of domestic wood burning in total emissions of fine particulate matter is closer to 10 or 40 per cent. (93677)
- 93N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether it remains his policy to implement the ecodesign regulations for solid fuel heating appliances on 1 January 2022. (93678)
- 94N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the level of reduction the new Ecodesign Regulations for solid fuel burning appliances in domestic premises will have on (a) regulated air pollutants and (b) greenhouse gases. (93679)
- 95N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish a list of the research studies the Government has commissioned in the last five years to estimate the contribution of domestic wood burning to primary emissions of fine particulate matter. (93680)
- 96N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether estimates of emissions from bonfires, fire pits and pizza ovens are included in the National Atmospheric Emissions Inventory. (93681)
- 97N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of banning (a) the sale and (b) the use of domestic wood burning appliances in urban areas to help reduce air pollution. (93682)
- 98 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he has taken to promote consumer awareness of the new Ecodesign Regulations for solid fuel heating appliances that are due to be implemented on 1 January 2022. (93683)
- 99 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he has taken to ensure that only the cleanest wood burning stoves will be available for sale from 2022 under Ecodesign Regulations. (93684)
- 100 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that wood burning appliances placed on the market after 1 January 2022 have been independently tested and verified. (93685)

- 101 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that wood burning appliances placed on the market are accompanied with the necessary technical and performance information within appliance manufacturers' literature or sales websites. (93686)
- 102 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of the new Ecodesign regulations on reducing emissions from wood burning appliances. (93687)
- 103 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of the new Ecodesign regulations on improving the efficiency of wood burning appliances. (93688)
- 104 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of the new Ecodesign regulations on reducing exceedances of the new World Health Organisation air quality guidelines for fine particulate matter, PM2.5. (93689)
- 105 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has prepared a National Air Pollution Control Programme to ensure that the UK's national emission reduction commitments will be met in accordance with Regulation 9(1) of the National Emission Ceilings Regulations 2018. (93690)
- 106 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, which measures he has implemented from the National Air Pollution Control Programme, dated March 2019 and published on 1 April 2019, to reduce ammonia emissions. (93691)
- 107N**Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when the Government plans to bring forward legislative proposals contained in the recent Commercial and Non Commercial movement of pets into Great Britain consultation. (93919)
- 108N**Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Commercial and Non Commercial movement of pets into Great Britain consultation, when the Government plans to increase the minimum age at which dogs can be brought into Great Britain. (93920)
- 109 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to ban woodcock shooting. (93723)
- 110 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the Government is taking steps to protect the practice of shechita. (93746)

- 111 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans he has to ban the sale of animals online by unlicensed breeders and private individuals. (93835)
- 112 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans he has to to ban the import of pets other than those who have been rescued. (93836)
- 113 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans he has to introduce the mandatory neutering and microchipping of all pets. (93837)
- 114 **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department plans to take to vaccinate domestic and captive bird populations against avian flu. (93733)
- 115 **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the long-term efficacy of the current method of eradication of avian flu through culling. (93734)
- 116N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what recent assessment she has made of the level of awareness amongst small and medium sized enterprises of the changes to import processes effective from 1 January 2022; and if she will make a statement. (93760)
- 117N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, how much his Department has spent on advertising the Export Support Service to British businesses. (93846)
- 118 **Alyn Smith** (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, with reference to the Written Statement of 8 December 2021, HCWS449, on Trade Policy Update, what assessment her Department has made of the effectiveness of new arms licensing criteria in preventing (a) internal repression and (b) the commission of violations of international humanitarian law. (93899)
- 119 **Alyn Smith** (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, with reference to the Written Statement of 8 December, HCWS449 on Trade Policy Update, whether the Government held (a) formal and (b) informal consultations with representatives of the defence industry in advance of that announcement. (93900)
- 120N **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what discussions his Department has had with Cornwall Council on their financial challenges and proposed reductions to services and staff. (93895)
- 121 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if his Department will take steps to ensure that councils are provided with additional resources to support their communities and prevent significant job losses in the context of the omicron variant. (93896)

- 122N**Mr John Baron** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when he plans to respond to correspondence dated 7 September 2021 and chasing correspondence of 5 October, 1 November and 1 December 2021 from the hon. Member for Basildon and Billericay regarding a constituent, with reference JB34029. (93716)
- 123N**Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has plans to enable councils to meet virtually in the context of the number of infections of the omicron covid-19 variant. (93709)
- 124 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to his Answer to the hon. Member for Putney on 29 November 2021, Official Report, column 658, what progress he has made in ensuring leaseholders are not responsible to pay for remediation works. (93681)
- 125 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what Government body will determine (a) which buildings are most at risk due to dangerous cladding and (b) a matrix of which buildings to remediate first. (93815)
- 126N**Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what plans he is developing to support local authorities to aid the transition to life in the UK for Afghan refugees. (93839)
- 127N**Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has met with the Mayor of London to discuss TfL's December 2021 financial settlement. (93910)
- 128N**Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of the implications for his policies and the formation of his covid-19 international travel policies of the WHO document entitled Policy considerations for implementing a risk-based approach to international travel in the context of COVID-19, published on 2 July 2021. [R] (93757)
- 129 **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what day the Vehicle licensing statistics: July to September 2021 will be published. (93809)
- 130 **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what date the Electric vehicle charging device statistics: January 2022 Electric vehicle charging infrastructure will be published. (93810)
- 131 **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what date the Road freight statistics: July 2020 to June 2021 Road freight: domestic and international will be published. (93811)
- 132 **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what date the National Travel Attitudes Study: Wave 6 Public attitudes towards transport will be published. (93812)

- 133 **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what date the Blue badge scheme statistics: 2021 Disabled parking badges will be published. (93813)
- 134 **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what date the Rail factsheet: 2021 Rail will be published. (93814)
- 135 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the DVLA's average response time for correspondence received from (a) members of the public and (b) Members of Parliament writing on behalf of constituents. (93711)
- 136 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department are taking to help tackle the backlog of licence applications at the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency. (93712)
- 137 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure calls made by the public to DVLA's phone lines are answered. (93713)
- 138 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will investigate his Department's delayed response time in replying to cases brought forward to DVLA by (a) constituents and (b) Members of Parliament writing on behalf of constituents. (93714)
- 139 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of omicron covid-19 variant on the travel sector; and whether he has had discussions with (a) officials in his Department and (b) Cabinet colleagues on sector specific economic support measures. (93778)
- 140 **Sir Charles Walker** (Broxbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if the Government will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing financial compensation to UK citizens who were required to quarantine in hotels for the period starting at 4:00am on 28 November 2021; and if he will make a statement. (93727)
- 141 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people are awaiting a work capability assessment as of 15 December 2021; and what the average waiting time is for a claimant in the latest period for which that data is available. (93754)
- 142 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what data her Department and contracted assessment providers hold on the proportion of work capability assessments that have been carried out (a) by telephone, (b) paper-based and (c) face-to-face in the last (i) three, (ii) six, (iii) 12 and (iv) 18 months. (93755)
- 143 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many universal credit work capability assessments have been cancelled where the telephone line or other communication channel was deemed

- inappropriate for the claimant in the last 12 months; and what procedures are in place to ensure that cancelled assessments are promptly referred to an alternative assessment channel. (93756)
- 144 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average response time for answering personal independence payment new claims calls was in each month from December 2020 to November 2021. (93774)
- 145 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many consolatory payments were made by her Department for poor service in each month from March 2020; and what the value of those payments was. (93777)
- 146N**Mr John Baron** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to correspondence from the hon. member for Basildon and Billericay dated (a) 10 September, (b) 11 October and (c) 26 November 2021 on a constituency matter with reference JB34115. (93715)
- 147N**Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what professional advice he has received on the extent to which vaccination against covid-19 reduces transmission of the virus by the person vaccinated to other people. (93706)
- 148N**Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether hospital trusts in England can access the vaccination records of their staff in order to ensure that all staff have been vaccinated against covid-19; and if he will make a statement. (93707)
- 149N**Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions his Department has had with the Information Commissioner on NHS trusts having access to staff vaccination records. (93708)
- 150N**Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to reply to the letter from the hon. Member for Glasgow North of 20 July 21 with reference to case number PG23211. (93784)
- 151N**Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish a timetable for notifying local authorities of their public health budgets for 2022-23. (93830)
- 152 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the resourcing of public health departments in London to respond to the spread of the omicron covid-19 variant. (93831)
- 153N**Mr Richard Holden** (North West Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to ensure that additional (a) diagnosis, (b) assessments or (c) operations will be carried out by the NHS using the funding from the Health and Care levy by 2025. (93912)

- 154 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether members of the public who purchased antigen tests from previously Government-accredited companies, who are no longer accredited, will receive a refund for tests purchased. (93724)
- 155 **Robert Largan** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government is taking to support research into secondary breast cancer. (93921)
- 156 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of reintroducing shielding guidance for people in the clinically extremely vulnerable group. (93732)
- 157 **Holly Lynch** (Halifax): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, who is responsible for the enforcement of the wearing of face coverings in supermarkets and shops. (93808)
- 158 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has plans to update the NHS Covid App to allow differentiation between positive cases from the delta and omicron covid-19 variants. (93775)
- 159 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of active users of the Test and Trace App as of 15 December 2021; and how that number compares with that for (a) October and (b) November 2021. (93776)
- 160 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of taking steps to (a) reduce and (b) waive the costs of covid-19 tests for UK citizens returning to the UK. (93779)
- 161 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that every unvaccinated health and care staff can have a supported conversation with an appropriate professional. (93788)
- 162 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to ensure that health and care staff who are unvaccinated are required to test daily for covid-19. (93789)
- 163 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will require health and care staff who are not vaccinated against covid-19 to wear FFP3 masks at work. (93790)
- 164 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will ensure that health and care staff do not have their leave cancelled this Christmas. (93791)

- 165N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to ensure that before anyone is dismissed for being unvaccinated in the health and care sector that he will (a) bring a report to Parliament on the number of people who are yet to have a vaccine and (b) assess alternative potential provisions to protect patients from covid-19. (93792)
- 166 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to take steps to ensure that black and mixed race health and care workers are not disproportionately affected by dismissal for reason of being unvaccinated for covid-19. (93793)
- 167 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, by what date does he expect all eligible age groups to receive a booster covid-19 vaccination, including those not yet invited to receive one. (93794)
- 168 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the level of covid-19 infection risk from non-mask wearing in the hospitality sector; and what steps he plans to take to manage that risk. (93795)
- 169 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the level of risk of vaccinated people spreading covid-19 in venues that require a vaccine pass. (93796)
- 170 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the incubation period is of the omicron covid-19 variant prior to someone being symptomatic. (93797)
- 171N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of issuing guidance to ensure that offenders with a history of opiate use are issued with Naloxone prior to release from prison. [Transferred] (92885)
- 172N **Kate Osborne** (Jarrow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to include provisions for improving access to treatment for the menopause in the forthcoming Women's Health Strategy. (93907)
- 173 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department will take to ensure that adequate provision is made for people who do not have smart phones and require physical covid-19 vaccination certificates. (93741)
- 174 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to allow monoclonal antibodies to be used as a treatment for (a) immunosuppressed patients and (b) the general population. (93742)
- 175 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans the Government has to (a) commission and (b) fund research into further treatments for covid-19. (93743)

- 176N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to implement recommendations from the recent Medical Technology Group's Manifesto report to (a) prioritise the patient voice, (b) accelerate patient access to medical technology and (c) improve equitable and timely commissioning of medical devices. (93729)
- 177N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the implications for its policies of the recently published Medical Technology Group's Manifesto report. (93730)
- 178N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to tackle the challenges described in the Medical Technology Group's Manifesto report to reduce the number of patients on the elective backlog. (93731)
- 179 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish his timetable for the publication of the Women's Health Strategy for England. (93838)
- 180 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to remove the call charges for users activating their new digital payment card for the Healthy Start scheme. (93694)
- 181 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to provide Healthy Start vouchers to eligible families waiting to receive their new digital payment cards. (93695)
- 182 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many British children under the age of four from families with no recourse to public funds are receiving support from the Healthy Start scheme as a result of the extension announced on 2 June 2021. (93696)
- 183 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he will publish the consultation on broadening the Healthy Start Scheme to British children under the age of four from families with no recourse to public funds. (93697)
- 184 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that all walk-in covid-19 vaccine centres are adequately supplied with covid-19 vaccine doses; and what steps he is taking to ensure that appointments are not required at those centres. (93918)
- 185N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure pregnant women are (a) in their last trimester and (b) in other stages of pregnancy are prioritised for covid-19 vaccinations. (93841)

- 186N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure unvaccinated pregnant women are aware of the risks of covid-19. (93842)
- 187N **Karen Bradley** (Staffordshire Moorlands): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has held with her US counterpart on the establishment of an International Fund for Israeli-Palestinian Peace. [R] (93758)
- 188 **Brendan Clarke-Smith** (Bassetlaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps the UK Government is taking with its international partners to prevent Iran from obtaining nuclear weapons. (93903)
- 189 **Brendan Clarke-Smith** (Bassetlaw): 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 reports that Iran has begun enriching uranium to 20 per cent fissile purity at its nuclear facility in Fordow in breach of the JCPOA nuclear deal. (93904)
- 190 **Simon Fell** (Barrow and Furness): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies on Iran's nuclear activity of the statement by the IAEA's Director General that all countries that have enriched uranium to 60 per cent fissile purity have gone on to produce nuclear weapons. (93901)
- 191N **Robert Jenrick** (Newark): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with her counterparts in (a) Bahrain, (b) Saudi Arabia and (c) United Arab Emirates on the strategic challenges posed by Iran's (a) nuclear programme and (b) support for terror groups. (93764)
- 192N **Robert Jenrick** (Newark): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the potential (a) global and (b) regional effects of Iran's activities in (a) Iraq, (b) Lebanon, (c) Syria and (d) Yemen. (93765)
- 193N **Robert Jenrick** (Newark): 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 the IAEA Director General reportedly stating that the JCPOA nuclear deal signed in 2015 is no longer applicable to the current state of Iran's nuclear programme. (93766)
- 194 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the political situation in Rwanda. (93897)

- 195 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when she last met with the Secretary General of the Commonwealth. (93898)
- 196N**Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if she will make representations to the (a) government of Morocco and (b) United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change on Morocco's inclusion of projects in occupied Western Sahara in relation to that country's National Determined Contribution. (93744)
- 197 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what support the UK Government provides to Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza through the British Council. (93745)
- 198 **Craig Tracey** (North Warwickshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment her Department has made of the level of Iran's support for (a) Hezbollah, (b) Hamas and (c) Palestinian Islamic Jihad. (93817)
- 199N**Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent representations she has made to her counterparts in countries neighbouring Afghanistan to support the continued evacuation of eligible at-risk Afghans from Afghanistan. (93840)
- 200 **Jacob Young** (Redcar): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the ability of the International Atomic Energy Agency to effectively monitor Iran's nuclear programme. (93916)
- 201 **Jacob Young** (Redcar): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the current ability of the International Atomic Energy Agency to effectively monitor Iran's nuclear programme. (93917)
- 202N**Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether Afghans relocated to the UK under the ARAP scheme including Locally Employed Staff will count towards the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme allocation of 20,000. (93753)
- 203 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made for the implications of her policies of the publication of the Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission and the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission entitled a Legal Analysis of Incorporating into UK Law the Birthright Commitment under the Belfast (Good Friday) Agreement 1998, published March 2020. (93922)
- 204N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when the Afghan Citizen Resettlement Scheme will open. (93703)

- 205N**Tony Lloyd** (Rochdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, further to the meeting between the hon. Member for Torbay, the Minister for Immigration and Future Borders, and the hon. Member for Rochdale on 2 November 2021, what progress he has been made in resolving the constituent's case and other similar cases, reference ASS GWF055081555. (93710)
- 206 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average response time is for her Department to respond to correspondence from hon. Members in the latest period for which that data is available. (93773)
- 207N**Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the number women, who are UK citizens, who have returned to the UK to escape domestic abuse and who have then had to return to their children's country of habitual residence as a consequence of the 1980 Hague Child Abduction Convention. (93845)
- 208 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has made a recent assessment of the economic impact over the course of a person's life associated with childhood bullying for (a) women and (b) men. (93772)
- 209N**Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help PCCs, local authorities and other partners work together to tackle anti-social behaviour. (93849)
- 210N**Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the effectiveness of community triggers on reducing levels of anti-social behaviour. (93850)
- 211N**Karl Turner** (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many employers in Standard Industrial Classifications (a) 50100-50400 and (b) 52220 have used the visa system to import labour to the UK in each year since 2016 to date. (93747)
- 212N**Karl Turner** (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the publication of 1 December 2021, Points-based immigration system: delivering on people's priorities, if she will make an assessment of the impact of the points based system on skilled jobs (a) at sea and (b) on land in the maritime industry. (93748)
- 213N**Karl Turner** (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions she has had with ministerial colleagues in the Department for Transport on the points-based immigration system and seafarer employment. (93749)
- 214N**Karl Turner** (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with ministerial colleagues in the (a) Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and (b) Department for

- Transport on the enforcement of the National Minimum Wage for seafarers of all nationalities working (i) in UK territorial waters and (ii) on the UK Continental Shelf since 1 October 2020. (93750)
- 215 **Martin Docherty-Hughes** (West Dunbartonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what support his Department (a) is providing and (b) has plans to provide to the Russian Military Studies Centre. (93769)
- 216N**John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Statement of Changes to the Immigration Rules, HC 913, published on 14 December 2021, whether changes made to the eligibility under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy scheme will apply retrospectively to Afghans who have been relocated to the UK already under the ARAP scheme. (93700)
- 217N**John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the Statement of Changes to the Immigration Rules, HC 913, published on 14 December 2021, how many successful Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy scheme applicants now in the UK would have been (a) successful and (b) unsuccessful under the new eligibility criteria for the ARAP scheme. (93701)
- 218N**John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Statement of changes to the Immigration Rules published on December 14 2021, HC 913, if she will make a comparative assessment of roles that would meet eligibility requirements for the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy scheme for the criteria of (a) furthering the UK's military and national security objectives and (b) other ARAP criteria for assistance to locally employed staff. (93702)
- 219N**John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many individual Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy applicants have been relocated to the UK each month since April 2021. (93704)
- 220 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Afghans with confirmed eligibility for assistance through the ARAP scheme remain in Afghanistan. (93705)
- 221N**Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 21 October 2021 to Question 583952 on Veterans: Immigration, when her Department plans to publish its response to the Immigration Costs for Armed Forces Personnel Consultation. [Transferred] (92945)
- 222N**Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate he has made of when heating will be restored at College Hall, RAF College Cranwell. (93682)
- 223 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what (a) Central Processing Unit, (b) Graphic Processing Unit and (c) storage technology is being used on the AJAX Armoured Fighting Vehicle; and when that technology was purchased. (93683)

- 224N**Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he plans to publish the MOD Annual Report and Accounts for 2020-21 by the end of the calendar year. (93717)
- 225N**Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether, in the process of discussions for buying the (a) P-8 and (b) Apache A-64 US systems, the Government was mandated to purchase associated US-made armaments. (93718)
- 226N**Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether Lockheed Martin has access to information on the maintenance status of the UK F-35B fleet before the (a) Royal Navy and (b) Royal Air Force. (93719)
- 227N**Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to statement by the Defence Procurement Minister on 15 December 2020 on the AJAX programme; when it was established that noise and vibration issues in AJAX vehicles were above the statutory limit; and what the legal basis for that limit is. (93720)
- 228 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to statement by the Defence Procurement Minister on 15 December 2020 on the AJAX programme; which office within his Department issued a safety notice for AJAX vehicles in December 2020 which stated that design upgrades were required to reduce vibration. (93721)
- 229 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which office in his Department was responsible for acting upon the MOD Safety Notice in December 2018 in relation to the AJAX Armoured Fighting Vehicle. (93722)
- 230N**Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the scope of the parent company guarantee from General Dynamics for the delivery of AJAX includes reimbursement in the event that the vehicle is unable to reach IOC. (93725)
- 231 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will widen the planned review of poor departmental practice with regards to safety measures in testing environments, to include other programmes besides AJAX. (93726)
- 232N**Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what disciplinary processes are in place for those honorary officers of the (a) armed or (b) cadet forces accused of criminal offences. (93728)
- 233N**Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many convictions have been recorded for motor vehicle theft in each year since 2015. (93762)
- 234N**Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many Recorders have been sitting each year from 2015 to 2021; and for how many days each Recorder sat. (93763)

- 235 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the level of the backlog of cases at Barnet Family Court as at 15 December 2021; and what steps he is taking to tackle that backlog. (93843)
- 236 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment he has made of the potential effect on (a) children and (b) families of the delay in hearing cases at Barnet Family Court. (93844)
- 237 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has plans to develop an associated tax strategy as part of his Department's net zero review. (93923)
- 238 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of using additional economic indicators to reflect measurements of (a) well-being and (b) environmental impact. (93924)
- 239 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of establishing a 24-hour helpline for people subject to the Loan Charge. (93832)
- 240 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many people subject to the Loan Charge have declared bankruptcy as of 15 December 2021. (93833)
- 241 **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many people seeking refunds as a result of the changes made in response to the Morse Review have been refunded by HMRC as of 15 December 2021. (93834)
- 242 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he plans to take in 2022 to help people affected by the Equitable Life scandal. (93913)
- 243 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will publish the calculations, including the intermediary steps, used in determining payments made under the Equitable Life Payment Scheme. (93914)
- 244 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 21 June 2021 to Question 16027 on Equitable Life Assurance Society, for what reasons the Government does not plan to (a) reopen the Equitable Life Payment Scheme or (b) review the £1.5 billion funding allocation previously made to it. (93915)
- 245N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of the increase in national insurance contributions in 2022 on inflation. (93759)

- 246 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of providing additional support to businesses affected by the new covid-19 restrictions. (93798)
- 247 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of raising the level of statutory sick pay. (93799)
- 248**Alison Thewliss** (Glasgow Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions he has had with lenders on forbearance measures on Bounce Back Loans in response to the spread of the omicron covid-19 variant. (93780)
- 249**Alison Thewliss** (Glasgow Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what funding will be allocated to each of the devolved Administrations to help tackle the omicron covid-19 variant. (93781)
- 250**Alison Thewliss** (Glasgow Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has contingency plans to reinstate the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme in response to the spread of the omicron covid-19 variant. (93782)
- 251**Alison Thewliss** (Glasgow Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of allocating funding to support an increase in the rate of statutory sick pay. (93783)
- 252 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will ask the Financial Conduct Authority to require Liverpool Victoria to publish how much they have spent on their efforts to demutualise and sell the business to Bain Capital. (93698)
- 253 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will discuss with the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority whether they will review whether the Chair and Chief Executive are still fit and proper persons to be Directors of Liverpool Victoria; and if he will make a statement. (93699)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 6 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that (a) the Community Trigger and (b) other tools designed to tackle anti-social behaviour are being used properly and effectively to stop people who cause persistent anti-social behaviour. (93851)

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- 2N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to improve local data on anti-social behaviour for the purposes of providing clarity on the severity of the situation at a more local level than the Police Force Area. (93852)
- 3N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to work with (a) police and crime commissioners, (b) local authorities and (c) agencies to (i) understand and (ii) tackle local challenges relating to anti-social behaviour. (93853)
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Questions for Answer on Monday 10 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Duncan Baker** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 14 December 2021 to Question 89686 on Coronavirus: Vaccination, when 16-17 year olds with chronic asthma in group 6 will be (a) eligible and (b) prioritised for a covid-19 booster vaccination; and whether he will use the flu jab list as a basis for efficiently identifying those who need to be prioritised for any future covid-19 booster vaccinations. (93909)
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Questions for Answer on Friday 14 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 26 October 2021 to Question 56604, what progress his Department has made towards the provision of a vaccination facility in every region of England offering the service for overseas vaccinations to be recorded in the National Immunisation Management Service (NIMS); and which of these facilities are currently available for those in (a) Salford and Eccles and (b) the wider North West of England. (93770)