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Questions tabled on Thursday 16 December 2021

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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 5 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Attorney General, what her policy is on amending the Prosecution of Offences Act 1985 to enable CILEX lawyers to become Crown Prosecutors. (94348)
- 2 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Attorney General, what recent assessment she has made of the trends in the number of people called to the bar in England and Wales over the last five years. (94514)
- 3 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he has taken to ensure that only the cleanest wood burning stoves will be available for sale from 2022 under Ecodesign Regulations. [Transferred] (93684)
- 4 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, 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. [Transferred] (93685)
- 5 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, 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. [Transferred] (93686)

- 6N **Sarah Jones** (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what his Department's policy is on how the £50 million for targeted motor neurone disease research through the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Motor Neurone Disease Research Unit can be accessed. (94494)
- 7N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with Ofcom on Royal Mail's current service standards for the delivery of letters in response to reports to Citizens Advice of increased postal delays. (94311)
- 8N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department plans to take to help ensure that sites in the UK are used for oil and gas installation decommissioning. (94539)
- 9N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department is taking steps to ensure that workers' rights are protected as the North Sea transitions from oil and gas to renewables. (94540)
- 10N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what requirements are placed on operators to ensure that workers in the offshore wind sector are subject to UK employment law and rights. (94541)
- 11N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what information his Department holds on which body monitors wage rates in the offshore wind sector; and whether data is recorded on that matter. (94542)
- 12 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans he has to make additional support available to businesses in response the omicron phase of covid-19. (94436)
- 13 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on making additional funding available to support businesses through the omicron phase of the covid-19 outbreak. (94437)
- 14 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he will take to ensure that service levels within postal services are maintained at a high level throughout the Christmas period and the covid-19 outbreak. (94563)
- 15 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will provide details of Innovate UK's grants, broken down by (a) amount, (b) recipient type, including company size bands, academia, research organisation, (c) model, including collaborative or single company, and (d) support level. (94359)

- 16 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential economic effect of making vaccine manufacturing one of the National Security and Investment Bill's 17 key sectors. (94360)
- 17 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much and what proportion of Future Fund: Breakthrough allocated to date has been to businesses in (a) the North East, (b) England, and (c) Greater London. (94361)
- 18N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what shares in the Vaccine Manufacture and Innovation Centre currently belong to (a) the Government, (b) Imperial College London, (c) Oxford University, (d) the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and (e) private companies; and if he will publish the names of those private companies. (94362)
- 19 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department plans to reinvest any investment recouped from the sale of Vaccine Manufacture and Innovation Centre into life sciences. (94363)
- 20 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December 2021 to Question 89751, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of intervening in the sale of VMIC on the grounds of maintaining the UK's national capability to tackle public health emergencies. (94364)
- 21N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he had with EU counterparts on securing the UK's participation in the Horizon Europe programme. (94365)
- 22N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much the Government has invested in dementia research (a) since 2018, (b) in the financial year ended 5th April 2021, and (c) in the current financial year. (94366)
- 23 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much funding the Government is planning to invest in dementia research in the financial year 2022-23. (94367)
- 24N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will bring forward proposals to waive Intellectual Property rights for covid-19 vaccines. (94368)
- 25 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what growth-stage support is available to the UK's tech sector. (94369)

- 26 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has published alternative plans to full association with the EU Horizon programme. (94370)
- 27 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 2 December 2021 to Question 79368, what progress has been made on attracting investment for Life Sciences Investment Programme. (94371)
- 28 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Innovation Strategy, what steps has his Department taken to facilitate interactions between businesses and (a) UK Research and Innovation and (b) other public bodies. (94372)
- 29 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to page 72 of the UK Innovation Strategy, published in July 2021, what steps his Department has taken to improve the regional distribution of private R&D investment. (94374)
- 30N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions his Department has had with relevant stakeholders on the replacement funding for the R&D funding from the European Regional Development Fund. (94375)
- 31 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what percentage of the UK's successful Horizon bids are based in (a) Newcastle, (b) the North East and (c) Greater London. (94376)
- 32N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of the Regional Innovation Deals as proposed by the European Union. (94377)
- 33 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, for what reason the Government agreed to (a) keep confidential and (b) hold outside of the UK any dispute with Pfizer on the contract that company holds for producing covid-19 vaccines; and if he will make a statement. (94279)
- 34 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what estimate his Department has made of the number of households at risk of fuel poverty following the increase in the energy price cap in (a) October 2021 and (b) April 2022 in (i) Hemsworth constituency, (ii) Wakefield local authority area and (c) Yorkshire and Humberside. (94291)
- 35 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to mitigate any potential increase in fuel poverty when a new energy price cap is announced in April 2022. (94292)

- 36 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he has taken to ensure consumers are protected from increases in consumer energy bills following supplier failures. (94293)
- 37 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will publish the number of customers whose energy supplier has closed since August 2021 in (a) each English region, and (b) Scotland, (c) Wales, (d) Northern Ireland. (94294)
- 38 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he plans to take under the Energy Retail Market Strategy to (a) ensure that consumers can always choose the lowest price and (b) escalate duties on energy companies to finance investment in low-carbon technologies. (94295)
- 39 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of OFGEM's final proposals for the Review of the Consolidated Segmental Statement. (94296)
- 40 **Christian Wakeford** (Bury South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the decision of 14 December 2021 by the UK ETS Authority not to intervene in the UK Emissions Trading Scheme after the cost containment mechanism was triggered, what assessment he has made of the compatibility of that decision with the Government's policy on support for industry in an energy transition to a low carbon economy; and what the criteria are for intervention by the UK ETS Authority to be approved. (94579)
- 41 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions she has had with representatives of (a) live music venues and (b) theatres on Government support since the publication of Government guidance on the transmission of the Omicron covid-19 variant on 8 December 2021. (94557)
- 42 **Sir Peter Bottomley** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, how many responses to the Channel 4 consultation have been received as of 16 December 2021; how many have been considered; and whether those responses are affecting the Government's position on the comparative merits of (a) maintaining the present ownership of Channel 4 and (b) alternatives. (94271)
- 43N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what plans the Government has to regulate gambling advertising on (a) television, (b) online and (c) sports shirt sponsorship. (94537)
- 44 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment he has made of the support required by the arts sector following the rise in the number of positive omicron covid-19 cases. (94529)

- 45 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to tackle digital exclusion in the context of the Plan B restrictions announced by the Government on 8 December 2021. (94577)
- 46N **Margaret Greenwood** (Wirral West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the number of children aged (a) under five and (b) five to 18 who have lost a parent or a main carer to covid-19 in (i) England, (ii) the UK and (iii) Wirral; and what estimate he has made of the number of children who have lost more than one parent or main carer to covid-19. (94410)
- 47N **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many pupils were in receipt of free school meals in the 12 months from June (a) 2011 and (b) 2021. (94335)
- 48N **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment his Department has made on the adequacy of funding provided to local authorities to support the provision of support services to SEND students. (94491)
- 49N **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what funds his Department has paid to Diversity Role Models in each of the last five years; and to what projects those funds were allocated. (94270)
- 50 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will make it his policy to add to the criteria by which local authorities can make changes to Published Admission Numbers proposals for maintained schools to include consideration of (a) fairness for disadvantaged communities and (b) decisions to re-distribute pupil places based on the number of children living near their local school; and if he will make a statement. (94316)
- 51 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he has had discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of requiring teaching and school staff to receive covid-19 vaccinations. (94434)
- 52 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that children with long-term illnesses are fully supported throughout their education. (94516)
- 53 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many teachers left Initial Teacher Training before earning their Newly Qualified Teacher status in each of the last five years. (94500)
- 54 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many air filtration units he has purchased for specialist settings and what brand were these. (94501)
- 55 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many staff are responding to calls on his Department's Coronavirus Helpline. (94502)

- 56 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, who is responsible for running his Department's Coronavirus Helpline; and whether that responsibility is outsourced to a private contractor. (94503)
- 57 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department runs a private advice phonenumber, separate to his Department's Coronavirus Helpline. (94504)
- 58 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many calls to the Department for Education's Coronavirus Helpline have been received in each month this year. (94505)
- 59 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what modelling his Department has done on projected staff absences in schools as a result of the omicron variant. (94506)
- 60 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he 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. [Transferred] (93772)
- 61 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department has a timetable for the re-inspection by Ofsted of schools that were previously rated outstanding. (94468)
- 62 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To the Secretary of State for Education, how many schools are exempt from Ofsted inspections as a result of having been rated outstanding. (94469)
- 63 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether Ofsted inspections for schools previously rated outstanding are taking priority over inspections on other schools. (94470)
- 64N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many students began T level courses at the start of the (a) 2020-21 and (b) 2021-22 academic year, by learning institution and subject. (94322)
- 65N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many of the students that began T level courses in 2020-21 left the course before the end of the 2021 academic year, by institution and subject. (94323)
- 66N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many students began a (a) BTEC level 3, (b) NCFE CACHE diploma and (c) any other level 3 course in (i) the 2020/21 academic year and (ii) the 2021-22 academic year, by institution and subject. (94324)

- 67N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many days of work experience 2020-21 T level students (a) did in the 2020-21 academic year, by institution and subject and (b) have left to do in the 2021-22 academic year in order to meet the requirement of the qualification, by institution and subject. (94325)
- 68N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will set out the procurement and selection processes used to approve products for the classroom filtration device marketplace. (94337)
- 69N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether there was a (a) high priority lane or (b) recommended supplier scheme giving (i) preferential or (ii) more rapid access to approval for inclusion in the classroom filtration device marketplace to which schools have been directed. (94338)
- 70N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made on trends in the level of school financial reserves between 1 March 2020 and 31 December 2021, for (a) primary schools, (b) secondary schools; and (i) academies, (ii) all other forms of school governance. (94339)
- 71N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the effect of the change in the level of financial reserves for UK universities and other Higher Education institutions between 1 March 2020 and 31 December 2021. (94340)
- 72 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the effect of the change in the level of financial reserves held by Further Education colleges between 1 March 2020 and 31 December 2021. (94341)
- 73 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what guidance he provides to (a) primary and (b) secondary schools on the level of financial reserves that schools should have; what guidance his Department provides on the purposes for which schools can draw down on those reserves; and what the timescale are over which reserves should be rebuilt when below the recommended level. (94342)
- 74 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent discussions Ministers in his Department have had with Ministers in the Department for Health & Social Care on provision for vaccinating school-age children in (a) July 2021, (b) August 2021, and (c) September 2021. (94343)
- 75 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what representations his Department has received on the introduction of initial teacher training bursaries for religious education teachers; and if he will make a statement. (94522)

- 76 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he made of the potential effect on levels of recruitment of the introduction of initial teacher training bursaries for religious education teachers when developing that policy; and if he will make a statement. (94523)
- 77 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what advice his Department has given to Teaching School Hubs on working with subject teacher associations such as the National Association of Teachers of Religious Education in making links with their local teacher network groups and offering wider training for serving teachers. (94524)
- 78 **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. (94474)
- 79 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the take-up of degree apprenticeships against his Department's initial targets for take-up. (94475)
- 80 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment he has made of the contribution of arts and humanities degrees to the UK economy. (94476)
- 81 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment he has made of the contribution of history graduates to the UK economy. (94477)
- 82 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the value of the bid put in by Capita to obtain the contract to run the Turing Scheme was. (94478)
- 83 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment he has made of the financial impact on the British Council of losing the contract to run the Turing Scheme. (94479)
- 84 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many bids were tabled for the contract to run the Turing Scheme; and what the monetary value of the lowest bid tabled was. (94480)
- 85 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what mechanisms his Department has in place to ensure that Capita is held accountable in respect of its spending on the Turing scheme. (94481)
- 86 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment his Department has made of the (a) number of students participating in Turing scheme and (b) subjects studied by those students; and what comparative assessment he has made of the number of students participating in the (i) Turing scheme at December 2021 and (ii) Erasmus scheme in the academic year 2015-16. (94482)

- 87 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment his Department has made of the impact of the sixth-month limit on how long incoming exchange students can remain in the UK under the visitor immigration route. (94484)
- 88 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for the Home Office regarding plans to extend the time incoming exchange students can stay in the UK from 6 months to one academic year without having to apply for a Student Visa. (94485)
- 89N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the total of UK payments to the International Climate Fund; and whether that level of payments meets the commitments made by the UK at the Copenhagen COP in 2009. (94538)
- 90N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the statistics published in Packaging News on 9 December 2021, what assessment his Department has made of the factors that have led to the price increase from £9.75 in December 2020 to £190.00 in December 2021 of Glass Remelt Packaging Recycling Notes. (94402)
- 91N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to support obligated businesses that have experienced a significant rise in costs for packaging recycling notes in the final quarter of 2021. (94403)
- 92 **Nick Smith** (Blaenau Gwent): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what impact the proposed Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill will have on the work of animal rescue charities. (94312)
- 93 **Nick Smith** (Blaenau Gwent): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing exemptions for animal rescue charities to the prohibitions listed in the Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill on importations of animals which (a) are below a specified age, (b) have been mutilated and (c) are more than a specified number of days pregnant. (94313)
- 94 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans his Department has to reintroduce an extension of the Seasonal Workers Pilot to include poultry workers. (94408)
- 95 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of labour supplies in the poultry sector on that sector's efforts to tackle the avian influenza outbreak. (94409)

- 96 **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what recent discussions she has had with the government of Israel on a free trade agreement. (94307)
- 97 **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what estimate she has made of the total value of bilateral trade with Israel in the last five years, and what steps she is taking to increase that value in the next five years. (94308)
- 98 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, if her Department will agree to a temporary waiver of the TRIPS Agreement for the production of mRNA covid-19 vaccines; and if she will make a statement. (94282)
- 99 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, how many Departmental staff were stationed in each of the 28 states of India in each of the last five years; and if she will make a statement. (94283)
- 100N**Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to help ensure that affected homeowners are not charged unaffordable remedial costs for historic fire safety defects. (94569)
- 101 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will set out any differences in assessment criteria for bids to the different Levelling Up funds in Northern Ireland compared to elsewhere in the UK. (94568)
- 102N**Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what plans his Department has to reform parish council governance. (94534)
- 103N**Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the remit of the Local Government Ombudsmen to include parish councils. (94535)
- 104 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the prevalence of potential racial disparities in eviction cases brought by private landlords against Black British people. (94299)
- 105N**Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to round two of the Levelling Up Fund, when he plans to open that bidding round; what the deadline for that bidding round will be; and what his planned timetable is for announcing funding decisions from that bidding round. (94399)
- 106N**Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to round one of the Levelling up Fund prospectus and criteria, whether he plans to make changes for

- round two to the (a) classification of priority areas, (b) criteria for eligible bids by parliamentary constituency, in particular the approach where constituency areas cross local authority boundaries and types of bids likely to be supported and (c) themes of town centre/regeneration, culture and transport; and whether he plans to look for a split across the themes of transport, high streets/regeneration and culture when assessing bids for round two. (94400)
- 107N **Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether the Government's overall financial commitment to the Levelling Up Fund remains at £4.8 billion; how much the Government plans to make available for round two; and how many funding rounds there will be in total. (94401)
- 108N **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to allow local councils to hold meetings virtually. (94508)
- 109N **Ian Murray** (Edinburgh South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment his Department has made of the implications for its policies of the increase in PAYE employees between February 2020 and October 2021 being substantially lower in four of the five regions of Scotland than the majority of other regions and nations of the UK. (94334)
- 110 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of exempting or reducing council tax for people with (a) dementia or (b) another particular illness. (94562)
- 111N **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to ensure that Chinatowns around the UK are able to recover from the covid-19 outbreak. (94547)
- 112N **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many times he has spoken with representatives of the East and South East Asian community regarding the impact of covid-19 on Chinatown districts across the UK. (94548)
- 113 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether the Building Safety Fund will cover the cost of spandrel replacements; and if he will make a statement. (94273)
- 114 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, for what reason the Building Safety Fund does not cover the cost of balcony deck remediation if that work is necessary to make a residential building safe from fire; and if he will make a statement. (94274)

- 115 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, for what reason the Building Safety Fund does not cover the cost of garage roof remediation if that work is necessary to make a residential building safe from fire; and if he will make a statement. (94275)
- 116 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will have discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on removing VAT on mandatory fire safety repairs if that work is necessary to make a residential building safe from fire; and if he will make a statement. (94276)
- 117 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the competitiveness on price of companies seeking to secure contracts for mandatory building fire safety repairs; and if he will make a statement. (94277)
- 118 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to meet with the Mayor of London to discuss a long-term financial settlement for Transport for London. (94555)
- 119 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for the Transport, what recent steps he has taken to tackle the shortage of heavy goods vehicle drivers. (94561)
- 120 **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make it his Department's policy to publish the allocation of the Bus Recovery Grant in a timely manner to help ensure that travel companies can meet their relevant deadlines. (94345)
- 121 **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans announce allocations to local transport authorities for bus service improvement plans. (94346)
- 122 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his decarbonisation plan will include a toolkit. (94424)
- 123 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding he plans to allocate to his decarbonisation strategy; and how that funding will be distributed. (94425)
- 124 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what his framework is for funding the development and delivery of new local transport plans. (94426)
- 125 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, in what way his Department plans to distribute funding for the Bus Service Improvement Plan. (94427)
- 126 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding the Government has provide for the Bus Service Improvement Plan. (94428)

- 127 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what proportion of the Bus Services Improvement Plan will focus on electric buses. (94429)
- 128 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what (a) criteria and (b) process his Department plans to use to determine which local authorities are successful in receiving the bus service improvement plan funding. (94430)
- 129 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to announce funding for bus service improvement plans. (94431)
- 130 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department plans to use funding for the Bus Service Improvement Plan for funding Zero Emission Bus Regional Areas (ZEBRA) schemes. (94432)
- 131 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what his timeframe is for the (a) informal, (b) statutory, (c) public and (d) final consultation stages for the enhanced partnerships set out in the Bus Services Act 2017. (94433)
- 132 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment his Department has made of the short-term impact on congestion levels in areas where Active Travel Fund projects have been implemented. (94518)
- 133 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans (a) his Department or (b) the franchise operator has to end the Night Riviera sleeper service from London Paddington to Penzance via Plymouth. (94519)
- 134 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has requested operating reductions in costs or routes from Great Western Railway. (94520)
- 135 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with Great Western Railway and Hitachi on the failure of IET trains at Dawlish after coming into contact with waves; and if he will make a statement. (94521)
- 136 **Ms Karen Buck** (Westminster North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of universal credit claims were found to be inaccurate since April 2020; and in how many of those cases (a) recovery action has been initiated and (b) an overpayment has been identified. (94284)
- 137N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 29 November 2021 to Question 80980 on Offshore Industry: Continental Shelf, if she will provide a copy of the HSE's detailed questions to production installation duty holders regarding the specific impact of pandemic-related down-manning on maintenance and inspection backlogs. (94352)

- 138 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 29 November 2021 to Question 80980 on Offshore Industry: Continental Shelf, what the percentage increase was in the maintenance backlogs based on the data provided to the HSE. (94353)
- 139 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 29 November 2021 to Question 80980 on Offshore Industry: Continental Shelf, what steps she is taking to ensure that staffing levels are not reduced below that required to safely operate installations on the UKCS. (94354)
- 140 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 29 November 2021 to Question 80980 on Offshore Industry: Continental Shelf, if she will provide the duty holders that worked with HSE on alternative ways of carrying out safety critical maintenance work; and what the outcomes were of that work. (94355)
- 141 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 29 November 2021 to Question 80980 on Offshore Industry: Continental Shelf, if she will publish the types of enforcement action the HSE took where backlogs were not being managed safely; and if she will provide to which installations those actions applied. (94356)
- 142 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the annual (a) staffing and (b) resource level was in the HSE Energy Division in each year since 2016 to date. (94357)
- 143 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of the impact of managing the risk of covid-19 in the workplace on duty holders' safety cases in the offshore oil and gas industry. (94358)
- 144 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps is taking to increase participation in the Access to Work programme amongst disabled people in Wales. (94492)
- 145 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what plans she has to reform the Disability Confident Scheme to ensure that employers meet a minimum criteria and are independently assessed before becoming a member of that Scheme. (94493)
- 146N**David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when she plans to respond to the letter of 19 October 2021, reference DL10799, from the hon Member for Glasgow East. (94499)
- 147 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of raising the level of statutory sick pay. [Transferred] (93799)

- 148 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has plans to establish a specialist advice service run by the Health and Safety Executive for the purposes of delivering advice to (a) employers, (b) employees and (c) local authority officers on risk assessment and management for pregnant women and new mothers. (94447)
- 149 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has plans to amend universal credit regulations so that maternity allowance is treated as earned income. (94449)
- 150N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether additional support is available for people in receipt of statutory sick pay who cannot afford to self-isolate. (94464)
- 151N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure that all workers can afford to self-isolate in the event that they are required to do as a result of the transmission of the Omicron covid-19 variant. (94465)
- 152 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made an assessment of the potential effect of increasing statutory sick pay on compliance with self-isolation measures. (94466)
- 153 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the proportion of workers who are not eligible for statutory sick pay. (94467)
- 154N **Alison Thewliss** (Glasgow Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of allocating funding to support an increase in the rate of statutory sick pay. [Transferred] (93783)
- 155 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made the potential merits of (a) providing additional financial support to pensioners during winter 2021-22 and (b) assessing the impact of additional support on the financial wellbeing of pensioners in (a) Hemsworth constituency and (b) Wakefield local authority. (94290)
- 156N **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much the Government spent on Disabled Facilities Grants each year from 2010-2021; and whether she has made an estimate of how much funding has been provided for changes that have been reversed by subsequent home owners. (94489)
- 157 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the evidence base is for the policy of offering mammograms at three year intervals on the NHS, and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of offering those tests more frequently. (94558)

- 158 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to recognise domestic abuse as an official cause of female mental ill-health. (94559)
- 159 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of allocating funding for research into the impact of social media on mental health. (94560)
- 160**Mr John Baron** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Basildon and Billericay of 17 September, 18 October and 18 November 2021 regarding his constituent with reference JB34209. (94300)
- 161 **Sir Peter Bottomley** (Worthing West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to assess the number of dentists scheduled to have taken the part 2 exam since the start of the covid-19 outbreak; what constraints there are to taking the ORE assessment for British citizens and others; what steps he will take to suspend or overcome the impact of the five year limit; and what the outcome has been relevant discussions with the General Dental Council on this matter; and if he will make a statement. (94272)
- 162**NWendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish the Government's criteria by which countries are placed on the red list for covid-19 travel restrictions. [Transferred] (93064)
- 163**NWendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish any equality impact assessments conducted in the process of placing countries on the red list. [Transferred] (93065)
- 164 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential role that the community pharmacy sector could play in helping to deliver covid-19 vaccinations in the event that regular boosters are required. (94544)
- 165 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential increased pressures that community pharmacies will experience as primary care providers focus on the covid-19 vaccination booster programme. (94545)
- 166 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to make further use of the community pharmacy network during the roll out of the covid-19 vaccination booster. (94546)
- 167**NMary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the care fees that NHS Continuing Health Care would ordinarily pay to a care provider can instead be paid to a family carer if they are unable to find CHC registered carers who can meet the care needs of the person requiring care. (94536)

- 168N**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 2021, reference PG23211. (94419)
- 169N**Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the need for ongoing financial support for covid-19 testing capacity, and in particular support for the Lighthouse Lab in Glasgow, beyond March 2022.. (94302)
- 170N**Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase PCR testing capacity following the rise in Omicron covid-19 variant cases. (94303)
- 171N**Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to develop contingency plans for use in the event that covid-19 PCR testing capacity is exceeded. (94304)
- 172N**Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on tackling the omicron variant of covid-19. (94336)
- 173N**Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many covid-19 lateral flow testing kits have been provided to pharmacies in (a) Lambeth and (b) Southwark; and what assessment he has made of the current availability of those kits to residents. (94444)
- 174N**Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase the provision of covid-19 lateral flow testing kits in (a) Lambeth and (b) Southwark. (94445)
- 175N**Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to (a) reduce joint replacement waiting times within the NHS and (b) improve support for people waiting for joint replacement surgery. (94446)
- 176 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase (a) public awareness of and (b) support for people suffering from chronic fatigue syndrome, CFS/ME. (94511)
- 177 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the impact on travellers of the cost of covid-19 mitigation measures, such as those associated with private testing providers. (94515)
- 178 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of introducing voluntary formal registration for stillbirths that occur before 24 weeks gestation. (94471)

- 179 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when will his department give clarification on the eligibility of the clinically vulnerable and immunosuppressed for booster vaccinations. (94473)
- 180 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many housebound patients that require covid-19 vaccinations at home there are in each Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) area; and how many of those patients have received the covid-19 booster vaccination as of 14 December 2021, by CCG. (94317)
- 181 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy not to enact the requirement to have a booster jab in order to be exempted from the requirement to take a lateral flow test before attending major events until the paper version of the covid-19 pass is able to record that a person has had their booster jab. (94318)
- 182 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his planned timetable is for the paper version of the covid-19 vaccine certificate being capable of recording that a person has received their covid-19 booster vaccination. (94319)
- 183 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of immunosuppressed people being able to have a covid-19 antibody test. (94320)
- 184 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether it is his policy to make covid-19 antibody tests available to immunosuppressed patients; and when he those tests will be available in each CCG area. (94321)
- 185 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the trial of ventilation technologies taking place in primary classrooms in Bradford, on what date the (a) tender for that trial was first commissioned and (b) trial commenced; between which dates the trial was actively collecting data; and if he will make a statement. (94344)
- 186 **Naz Shah** (Bradford West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to encourage supermarkets to ask customers to wear face masks in their stores during the covid-19 outbreak. (94414)
- 187 **Naz Shah** (Bradford West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take in response to retail spaces that are not enforcing the wearing of face masks. (94415)
- 188 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will set out a timetable for the publication of the Women's Health Strategy for England. (94450)

- 189N**Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that people who only wish to have the AstraZeneca covid-19 vaccination as a booster have the ability to do so. (94510)
- 190 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Office for Health Improvements and Disparities' investigation into possible breaches of the prohibition of characterising flavours in tobacco products, for what reason the timetable for testing of selected tobacco products continues into early 2022; and which external organisations have been appointed to undertake that testing. (94570)
- 191 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Office for Health Improvements and Disparities' investigation into possible breaches of the prohibition of characterising flavours in tobacco products, if the Government will make it its policy to remove from the market products found to be in breach of regulations; and what penalties companies found to be in breach of regulations will face. (94571)
- 192 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the Pfizer/BioNTech covid-19 vaccine is subject to the 36 month grace period on price controls as outlined in the Voluntary Scheme for Branded Medicines Pricing and Access; and if he will make a statement. (94278)
- 193 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of (a) qualified permanent GPs and (b) training grade and locums in the general practice workforce in (i) Hemsworth constituency and (ii) Yorkshire in each year since 2010. (94287)
- 194 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the Yorkshire Ambulance Service's average response time was for (a) category 1 calls, (b) category 2 calls, (c) category 3 calls and (d) category 4 calls in each year since 2010. (94288)
- 195 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many (a) double crewed ambulances and (b) rapid response vehicles have operated in the Yorkshire Ambulance Service in each year since 2010. (94289)
- 196N**Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that accurate information and guidance on the safety of covid-19 vaccines for pregnant women is provided on leaflets at vaccine centres. (94455)
- 197N**Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much and what proportion of the £300 million announced by the Government on 1 December 2021 will be ringfenced for new supported housing; and how many new homes the Government expects that funding to deliver. (94488)

- 198N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that people who do not have access to technology needed to provide proof of a negative lateral flow test are not excluded from hospitality venues and other settings requiring an NHS covid pass. (94578)
- 199 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department are taking to ensure that UK humanitarian aid in Gaza is not diverted to the Hamas terror group. (94457)
- 200 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what estimate she has made of the number of humanitarian aid trucks entering Tigray province in Ethiopia in each of the last 10 weeks. (94309)
- 201 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what support she is offering to the World Health Organisation in the identification of the unidentified disease reported in the Fangak County of Jonglei State in South Sudan. (94310)
- 202N **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the announcement by the CEO of Serum Institute in India, Adar Poonawalla, that it will halve production of covid-19 vaccines. (94416)
- 203N **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of the statement by the CEO of Serum Institute in India, Adar Poonawalla, that the company has a stockpile of approximately 500,000 covid-19 vaccines. (94417)
- 204N **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps her Department has taken to support the (a) delivery, (b) transport and (c) deployment of covid-19 vaccines in the developing world. (94418)
- 205N **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether her Department has made an assessment of the circumstances surrounding the death threats received by human rights defender, Diego Enrique Salcedo Ladino, in Meta, Colombia. (94420)
- 206 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the humanitarian situation in South Sudan. (94525)

- 207 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the literacy rate in Zimbabwe. (94526)
- 208 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the covid-19 vaccination rate in Jamaica. (94527)
- 209 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has plans to reduce the number of staff working in her Department. (94533)
- 210 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of the Tehran Times publishing a map of Israel with potential strike targets. (94517)
- 211 **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 15 December to Question 90938 on China: Olympic Games, whether UK diplomatic representatives will attend the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics. (94507)
- 212 **Holly Mumby-Croft** (Scunthorpe): 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 stating that the IAEA has an incomplete view of Iran's nuclear programme. (94576)
- 213 **Ian Murray** (Edinburgh South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent progress has been made by the UN special envoy, Martin Griffiths, on helping to restore the peace process in Yemen. (94326)
- 214 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps she is taking to secure visas for the children of British Nationals who are still in Afghanistan. (94451)
- 215 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what proportion of the covid-19 vaccine doses that the Government has redistributed to lower income countries have been AstraZeneca vaccines; and if he will make a statement. (94280)
- 216 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, in the context of data on the AstraZeneca vaccine's level of effectiveness against the omicron covid-19 variant, what proportion of the UK's doses to be redistributed to lower income countries in 2022 will be AstraZeneca; and if he will make a statement. (94281)

- 217 **Craig Tracey** (North Warwickshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions she has had with the Lebanese Government on reports that labour restrictions on Palestinian refugees are to be eased in that country. (94443)
- 218N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department has taken to further British diplomatic engagement with ASEAN countries. (94452)
- 219N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential implications for her policies of reports of extra-judicial killings in Afghanistan, including of former Afghan National Security Forces linked to the British military. (94453)
- 220N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 9 December 2021 to Question 87793, what steps the Government is taking to ensure the 119 signatories of the UN General Assembly Resolution are fulfilling their commitments. (94454)
- 221 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has had discussions with the Metropolitan Police Commissioner regarding (a) the Metropolitan Police presence at Number 10 on 18 December 2020 and (b) facilitating the Cabinet Secretary's investigation into allegations around social gatherings of staff on that date. (94554)
- 222N **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the covid-19 restrictions on indoor social gatherings in place in November and December 2020, how many people were charged with breaching those rules; and what the total sum of fines issued for those breaches was. [Transferred] (92972)
- 223N **Margaret Greenwood** (Wirral West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the oral evidence of the Minister for Justice and Tackling Illegal Migration to the Home Affairs Committee on 17 November 2021, HC164, Qq 757, if she will publish the measures on implementing a policy of pushbacks in the channel; and what criteria operational commanders at sea will use to determine the appropriateness of deploying those measures. (94411)
- 224N **Margaret Greenwood** (Wirral West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has received legal advice on the operation of a push-back policy for boats carrying illegal migrants in the English Channel; and what plans she has to implement a policy of pushing back those boats. (94412)
- 225N **Margaret Greenwood** (Wirral West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent guidance she has given to the (a) Border Force and (b) maritime tactics team on operationalising tactics for pushing back boats carrying illegal migrants in the English Channel. (94413)

- 226 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will extend the vulnerable persons relocation scheme to Sudanese refugees who are fleeing conflict. (94564)
- 227 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will extend the global resettlement scheme to Sudanese refugees fleeing conflict. (94565)
- 228 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will consider prioritising asylum applications submitted by asylum seekers from Sudan who have recently in Northern Ireland to offer protection to those who have challenged the military regime in that country and their families. (94566)
- 229 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of the Independent Monitoring Authority's recent decision on the legality of the Government's policy with respect to the Withdrawal Agreement and the rights of EU citizens in the UK. (94567)
- 230**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, 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. [Transferred] (93700)
- 231**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 14 December 2021, HC 913, if she will make a comparative assessment of roles that meet eligibility requirements for the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy scheme under (a) the criteria of furthering the UK's military and national security objectives and (b) previous ARAP criteria for assistance to locally employed staff. [Transferred] (93702)
- 232 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential merits of simplifying the acceptance of Premium Bonds as a form of cash saving for the process of meeting income thresholds when individuals are making Spousal Visa application. (94423)
- 233**Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the correspondence of 14 December 2021 from the Minister for Safe and Legal Migration to the hon. Member for Barnsley Central on Changes to the Immigration Rules for the Afghan Relocation and Assistance Policy, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of changes to the eligibility criteria on the number of Afghans seeking asylum in the UK by illegal and unsafe routes. (94393)

- 234N Dan Jarvis (Barnsley Central):** To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the correspondence of 14 December 2021 from the Minister for Safe and Legal Migration to the hon. Member for Barnsley Central on Changes to the Immigration Rules for the Afghan Relocation and Assistance Policy, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of changes to the eligibility criteria on Afghan nationals at risk due to the security threat level in Afghanistan. (94394)
- 235N Dan Jarvis (Barnsley Central):** To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the correspondence of 14 December 2021 from the Minister for Safe and Legal Migration to the hon. Member for Barnsley Central on Changes to the Immigration Rules for the Afghan Relocation and Assistance Policy, if her Department will publish the evidence for the decision to introduce the new changes to the eligibility criteria; and if she will make a statement. (94395)
- 236N Dan Jarvis (Barnsley Central):** To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the correspondence of 14 December 2021 from the Minister for Safe and Legal Migration to the hon. Member for Barnsley Central on Changes to the Immigration Rules for the Afghan Relocation and Assistance Policy, what assessment she has made of the impact those changes will have on the number of places remaining on the first round of the Afghan citizens resettlement scheme as of 16 December 2021. (94396)
- 237N Kenny MacAskill (East Lothian):** To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what role Border Force officers have in the monitoring of crew involved in offshore employment; and whether that role includes the monitoring of employment rights. (94543)
- 238 Rachael Maskell (York Central):** To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has had discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of requiring (a) police officers and (b) firefighters to have covid-19 vaccinations. (94435)
- 239N Brendan O'Hara (Argyll and Bute):** To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of applications to the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy received since that scheme was established had, as at 16 December 2021, received an individual follow up email to indicate that (a) they were eligible, (b) that their case was being further investigated to assess eligibility, (c) that they were not considered eligible to apply, (d) that their application was incomplete or (e) that it was a duplicate application which would not be further considered. (94404)
- 240N Brendan O'Hara (Argyll and Bute):** To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of locally employed staff from (a) the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, (b) the former Foreign and Commonwealth Office, (c) the former Department for International Development (who worked in Kabul, in the Helmand Provincial Reconstruction Team or elsewhere in Afghanistan) who applied to the Afghan Relocations and Assistance

- Policy scheme since that scheme was established have been (i) considered eligible, (ii) rejected as not meeting the criteria and (iii) asked to reapply; and how many of those applications are still being processed. (94405)
- 241N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of applications to the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy made under Category 4 since the scheme was established as of 14 December 2021 have been (a) considered eligible and (b) considered eligible and called forward to the airport and (c) considered eligible, called forward to the airport and resettled in the UK. (94406)
- 242N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will take steps to encourage and support police and crime commissioners to introduce dedicated anti-social behaviour taskforces. (94463)
- 243 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, 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. [Transferred] (93863)
- 244 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans her Department has in place to extend the concession that enables universities to sponsor students' visas for distance learning due to expire in April 2022. (94483)
- 245 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of the potential economic and cultural benefits of extending the amount of time exchange students can remain in the UK under the visitor immigration route from six months to one year. (94486)
- 246 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department plans to extend the time incoming exchange students can stay in the UK from 6 months to one academic year without having to apply for a Student Visa. (94487)
- 247 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans she has to reintroduce the scheme for temporary visas to poultry workers in 2022. (94407)
- 248 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent assessment he has made of the threat posed to UK forces by pro-Iran militia in Iraq. (94458)
- 249 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what progress has been made with the roll out of the Royal College of General Practitioners' veteran friendly GP surgeries accreditation across England; and what steps his Department is taking to support that. (94462)

- 250N**Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the status of his Department's review into widening judicial eligibility criteria to permit CILEX Lawyers to apply for all judicial posts is as of 16 December 2021. (94349)
- 251N**Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when his Department plans to publish its response to its consultation on modernising lasting powers of attorney. (94350)
- 252N**Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the effect of remote legal advice for defendants during the covid-19 outbreak on the number of non guilty pleas. (94351)
- 253N**Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment his Department has made of the mental health needs of fathers who are going through custody proceedings. (94305)
- 254N**Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that fathers going through custody proceedings are adequately supported. (94306)
- 255 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when he plans to respond to the Bellamy review into the future of legal aid. (94532)
- 256N**Anna McMorris** (Cardiff North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, which organisations the Government plans to engage with during the Victims' Bill consultation; what the timeframe is for that consultation; and what the timeframe is for the publication of its results. (94495)
- 257N**Anna McMorris** (Cardiff North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, for what reason his Department's consultation on Delivering justice for victims is not open for longer than eight weeks; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending that timescale. (94496)
- 258N**Anna McMorris** (Cardiff North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to make accessible versions of consultation documents immediately available instead of people having to request large font and easy read formats. (94497)
- 259N**Anna McMorris** (Cardiff North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what engagement he has had with relevant stakeholders on his Department's consultation on Delivering justice for victims. (94498)
- 260 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment he has made of the effect on prisons in (a) Merseyside and (b) Lancashire of prison officers self-isolating after testing positive for covid-19. (94513)
- 261 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps her Department is taking to reduce the backlog in employment tribunals. (94448)

- 262N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many dog thefts have resulted in (a) prosecution and (b) conviction in each of the last three years. (94397)
- 263N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will publish a breakdown of drug incidents in prison since 2010 by (a) drug type and (b) overall weight substances. (94398)
- 264N **Ellie Reeves** (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of collecting data on protected characteristics within the Criminal Justice System recorded adult rape offences scorecards; and whether he has plans to collect that data. (94490)
- 265 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what plans he has to bring forward legislative proposals to update the Offences Against the Persons Act 1861. (94297)
- 266 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Prime Minister, whether the Metropolitan police maintain records of visitors to Number 10 when they pass through security screening. (94551)
- 267 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Prime Minister, whether an alarm was triggered at Number 10 offices on the evening of 18 December 2020. (94552)
- 268 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Prime Minister, whether the Cabinet Secretary will be given access to (a) mobile phone messages and (b) other electronic communication relevant to his investigation into the gatherings held at Number 10 in 2020 during Tier 3 restrictions. (94553)
- 269 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Prime Minister, if (a) he or (b) Number 10 officials will meet with the Metropolitan Police to facilitate a police investigation into allegations of gatherings in Number 10 offices during December 2020. (94556)
- 270 **Ian Murray** (Edinburgh South): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what progress has been made on negotiations between the Government and the Scottish Government on the Fiscal Framework. (94332)
- 271 **Ian Murray** (Edinburgh South): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, with reference to page 49 of Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, published by the Scottish Fiscal Commission in December 2021, what assessment his Department has made of the reason for the increase in PAYE employees between February 2020 and October 2021 being substantially lower in Scotland than other regions and nations of the UK. (94333)
- 272 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, who he met on his recent trip to California; and who accompanied him on that trip. (94387)

- 273 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his recent visit to California was purely for the purposes of conducting official business. (94388)
- 274 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when his recent trip to California (a) began and (b) ended; and whether those dates are different to his original itinerary. (94389)
- 275 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the dates of his recent (a) outbound and (b) return flights to California were. (94390)
- 276 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will publish the itemised costs of his recent trip to California. (94391)
- 277 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, where he stayed on his recent trip to California. (94392)
- 278 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport regarding the introduction of additional measures to support the cultural and creatives industries since the Government's updates on the spread of the omicron covid-19 variant. (94549)
- 279 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of state for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy on the introduction of additional measures to support (a) small- and medium-sized businesses and (b) the hospitality sector following the Government's updates on the spread of the omicron covid-19 variant on 15 December 2021; and if he will make a statement. (94550)
- 280N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much the Government has spent on promoting the tax-free childcare scheme in each of the last four financial years. (94347)
- 281N **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he has taken to ensure that new rules for alcohol excise duty will not disproportionately burden the UK's wine industry. (94421)
- 282N **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what consideration has been accorded to new rules for alcohol excise duty in order to ensure this will not unfairly and disproportionately place a greater burden on the UK's wine industry. (94422)
- 283 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the support required by the hospitality sector in response to the rise in the number of positive omicron covid-19 cases. (94528)

- 284 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the HMRC liquidation claim for DMB solutions Ltd, HMRC reference 075 2142906 03, how much of the £578,497.83 VAT element of HMRC's claim from the company's directors has been recovered; and if he will make a statement. (94314)
- 285 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what proportion of Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs liquidation claims to recover VAT from company directors were recovered in each of the last five years; and if he will make a statement. (94315)
- 286 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what additional support he will make available to businesses if further covid-19 lockdown restrictions are introduced. [Transferred] (93800)
- 287 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has had discussions on the potential merits of reintroducing a furlough scheme to help those effected by the covid-19 outbreak. (94438)
- 288 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of providing more flexibility to businesses in meeting their repayment requirements to HMRC. (94439)
- 289 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of whether sectors that are financially affected by the most recent covid-19 outbreak require additional covid-19 grants and loans. (94440)
- 290 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to provide additional support to the hospitality sector during the most recent covid-19 outbreak. (94441)
- 291 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to provide additional support to local authorities to support people and businesses to respond to the most recent covid-19 outbreak. (94442)
- 292 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department has plans to support people who are self-employed during the next stages of the covid-19 outbreak. (94512)
- 293 **Ian Murray** (Edinburgh South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the £1 billion shortfall identified by the Scottish Fiscal Commission in the Scottish Government public finances in the financial year 2026-27. (94327)
- 294 **Ian Murray** (Edinburgh South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to page 23 of Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, published by the Scottish Fiscal Commission in December 2021, what assessment his Department has made of the implications for its policies of the £355 million shortfall in income tax receipts to the Scottish Government in the financial year 2026-27. (94328)

- 295 **Ian Murray** (Edinburgh South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent progress his Department has made with the Scottish Government on the fiscal framework negotiations. (94329)
- 296N **Ian Murray** (Edinburgh South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to page 49 of Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, published by the Scottish Fiscal Commission in December 2021, what assessment his Department has made of the implications for its policies of the increase in PAYE employees between February 2020 and October 2021 being substantially lower in Scotland than other regions and nations in the UK. (94330)
- 297 **Ian Murray** (Edinburgh South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the potential difference between projections and actual Scottish income tax receipts from the fiscal framework mechanisms. (94331)
- 298 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to take steps to ensure that people who were employed by umbrella companies in the 2020-21 tax year do not engage in tax avoidance. (94456)
- 299 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much funding the Government will invest in skills in biosciences in the financial year 2022-23. (94373)
- 300 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, (a) how much funding the Government provides to the National Science and Technology Council and (b) which budget it comes from. (94378)
- 301 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if the Government will provide financial support to the (a) hospitality and (b) culture sectors as levels of covid-19 infection rise. (94472)
- 302 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential environmental implications of restricting the use of rebated Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil in certain diesel-powered vehicles, vessels and other appliances from 1 April 2022. (94379)
- 303 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of potential implications for respiratory health of restricting the use of rebated Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil for use in certain diesel-powered vehicles, vessels and other appliances from 1 April 2022. (94380)
- 304 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to his policy of restricting the use of rebated Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil in certain diesel-powered vehicles from 1 April 2022, what steps he is taking to to introduce a harmonisation period to avoid potential pressures on fuels supplies. (94381)
- 305 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to his policy of restricting the use of rebated Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil in certain diesel-powered vehicles, whether he plans to provide support to businesses which

- are running down stocks of HVO, including costs of cleaning out storage tanks, in preparation for the introduction of the duty harmonisation of fuels ahead of 1 April 2022. (94382)
- 306 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will amend the Biofuels and other Fuel Substitutes Excise Notice 179e to include Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil from renewable feedstocks under paragraph 5.5; and if will he make a statement. (94383)
- 307 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will amend the Governments' definition of biodiesel to include the classification of Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil. (94384)
- 308 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will grant waivers to dye (mark) rebated fuels such as Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil to support (a) a transition to duty harmonisation on 1 April 2022 and (b) the use of low carbon fuels on major projects including (i) HS2 and (ii) the Thames Tideway Tunnel. (94385)
- 309 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking to mitigate potential disruption to the fuel supply chain resulting from his Department's planned restriction regarding the future use of Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil from 1 April 2022. (94386)
- 310 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has plans to increase the mileage allowance permitted for volunteer activities in future tax years. (94298)
- 311 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the impact of reforms to the tax treatment of red diesel on businesses. (94572)
- 312 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what measures he will take to protect critical businesses in the supply chain which are affected by the reforms to the tax treatment of red diesel. (94573)
- 313 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of delaying reforms to the tax treatment of red diesel until inflation abates and the effects of the covid-19 outbreak have passed. (94574)
- 314 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of (a) a phased withdrawal of the red diesel subsidy over a longer time period and (b) Governmental financial support to facilitate the transition away from diesel for companies. (94575)

- 315 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to take steps to require the Office for National Statistics (ONS) and UK Statistics Authority to disaggregate taxation revenue from income on (a) earnings and (b) dividend payments in the tax revenues published annually by the ONS as part of the Country and Regional Public Sector Finances. (94285)
- 316 **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much tax revenue was raised from the (a) Yorkshire and (b) London from (i) income earnings tax, (ii) tax on dividends, (iii) corporation tax and (iv) capital gains tax in each year since 2010. (94286)
- 317 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, whether he has made an assessment of the support required by businesses in Newport West constituency following the rise in the number of positive omicron covid-19 cases. (94530)
- 318 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what discussions he has had with the Welsh Government on the support required by the hospitality sector in Newport West constituency following the rise in the number of positive omicron covid-19 cases. (94531)
- 319N**Mr John Baron** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, when she plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Basildon and Billericay of the 27 September, 27 October and 1 December 2021 regarding his constituent with reference JB34361. (94301)
- 320N**Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what her Department's policy is for (a) describing and (b) communicating incidences of racism targeting expressions of Muslimness or perceived Muslimness. (94509)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Wales

- 1 **Tony Lloyd** (Rochdale): What plans the Government has to provide funding for rail infrastructure in Wales. (904895)
- 2 **Mr David Jones** (Clwyd West): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the development of large-scale renewable energy generation in north Wales. (904896)
- 3 **Fay Jones** (Brecon and Radnorshire): What steps the Government is taking to support the rollout of covid-19 booster vaccinations in Wales. (904897)
- 4 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on support for businesses in Wales. (904898)
- 5 **Andrea Leadsom** (South Northamptonshire): What steps his Department is taking to strengthen the Union. (904899)

- 6 **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): If he will take steps with the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy to help ensure ongoing power supply for Baglan Energy Park until a permanent connection to the grid is secured. (904900)
- 7 **Mark Fletcher** (Bolsover): What discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on improving transport connections between Wales and the rest of the UK. (904901)
- 8 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on support for businesses in Wales. (904902)
- 9 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): What plans the Government has to provide funding for rail infrastructure in Wales. (904903)
- 10 **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): What recent discussions he has had with the Welsh Government on the impact on Wales of the omicron covid-19 variant. (904904)
- 11 **Rob Roberts** (Delyn): What recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Transport on connectivity and infrastructure in (a) Wales and (b) between Wales and the rest of the UK. (904905)
- 12 **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): What recent assessment he has made of the potential effect on the Welsh lamb industry of the end of US restrictions on the import of British lamb. (904906)
- 13 **Jacob Young** (Redcar): What recent assessment the Government has made of the contribution of the steel industry in Wales to the UK economy. (904907)
- 14 **Steven Bonnar** (Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill): If he will make an assessment of the potential merits of devolving control of the Crown Estate in Wales to the Welsh Government. (904908)
- 15 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): If he will hold discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on support for (a) businesses and (b) people affected by the outbreak of the covid-19 omicron variant in Wales. (904909)

Oral Questions to the Prime Minister

- 1 **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): If he will list his official engagements for Wednesday 5 January. (904880)
- 2 **Dr Jamie Wallis** (Bridgend): (904881)
- 3 **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): (904882)
- 4 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): (904883)
- 5 **Sir Robert Neill** (Bromley and Chislehurst): (904884)
- 6 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Melton): (904885)
- 7 **Jeremy Hunt** (South West Surrey): (904886)

8	Dr Caroline Johnson (Sleaford and North Hykeham):	(904887)
9	Antony Higginbotham (Burnley):	(904888)
10	Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd):	(904889)
11	Mr Richard Holden (North West Durham):	(904890)
12	Stephen Hammond (Wimbledon):	(904891)
13	Andy McDonald (Middlesbrough):	(904892)
14	Neil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark):	(904893)
15	Simon Fell (Barrow and Furness):	(904894)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 6 January

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport

- 1 **Nick Fletcher** (Don Valley): What assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of requiring streaming content providers operating in the UK to use the British Board of Film Classification rating system. (904862)
- 2 **Allan Dorans** (Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock): What recent discussions she has held with (a) Cabinet colleagues and (b) civil society groups on the proposed Online Safety Bill. (904863)
- 3 **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): What assessment she has made of the effect on the tourism industry of the covid-19 Plan B advice for people to work from home where possible. (904864)
- 4 **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): On what date she last held discussions with the BBC on the enforcement of TV licence fee payments for people aged over 75. (904865)
- 5 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): When she plans to publish the White Paper on the gambling review. (904866)
- 6 **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): What steps her Department is taking to support the Government's levelling up agenda. (904867)
- 7 **Mark Menzies** (Fylde): What recent progress her Department has made on rolling out high speed broadband. (904868)
- 8 **Jacob Young** (Redcar): What plans she has for the future of the TV licence fee. (904869)
- 9 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): What progress she has made on her review of the Gambling Act 2005. (904870)

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- 10 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): What recent discussions she has held with (a) Cabinet colleagues and (b) civil society groups on the proposed Online Safety Bill. (904871)
- 11 **Andy Carter** (Warrington South): What steps her Department is taking to help support the UK film and television industry. (904872)
- 12 **Andrew Bowie** (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine): What discussions she has had with Ofcom and broadcasters on supporting Gaelic language television. (904873)
- 13 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): If her Department will take steps to promote the singing of the national anthem in the UK. (904874)
- 14 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): What steps the Government is taking to help ensure that those responsible for the collapse of Football Index are held to account. (904875)
- 15 **Christian Wakeford** (Bury South): What recent progress her Department has made on improving online safety. (904876)
- 16 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): What steps she is taking to help support grassroots sports initiatives. (904877)
- 17 **Andrew Selous** (South West Bedfordshire): What recent discussions she has had with representatives of the UK film industry on that sector's compliance with health and safety legislation. (904878)
- 18 **Mark Eastwood** (Dewsbury): What steps her Department is taking to help support the UK film and television industry. (904879)
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Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport

- T1 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): If she will make a statement on her departmental responsibilities. (904854)
- T2 **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): (904855)
- T3 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): (904856)
- T4 **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): (904857)
- T5 **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): (904858)
- T6 **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): (904859)
- T7 **Julie Elliott** (Sunderland Central): (904860)
- T8 **Robbie Moore** (Keighley): (904861)
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Oral Questions to the Attorney General

- 1 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): What assessment she has made of the implications of the Spending Review 2021 for the Law Officers' departments. (904910)
- 2 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): What steps she is taking to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the Serious Fraud Office. (904911)
- 3 **Rob Roberts** (Delyn): What recent steps her Department has taken to help strengthen the Union. (904912)
- 4 **Dr Jamie Wallis** (Bridgend): What recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the CPS in handling cases where the defendant has a mental health condition or disorder. (904913)
- 5 **Marco Longhi** (Dudley North): What recent assessment she has made of the performance of the CPS in the West Midlands. (904914)
- 6 **Damian Collins** (Folkestone and Hythe): What recent assessment she has made of the CPS's ability to request and receive data from social media platforms in (a) general and (b) cases involving a deceased child. (904915)
- 7 **Peter Grant** (Glenrothes): What recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the CPS in prosecuting breaches of covid-19 restrictions. (904916)
- 8 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): What steps she has taken to increase the number of successful prosecutions relating to domestic violence. (904917)
- 9 **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): What steps she has taken to increase the number of successful prosecutions relating to (a) violence against women and girls and (b) hate crimes. [R] (904918)
- 10 **Gavin Newlands** (Paisley and Renfrewshire North): What recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the compatibility of the Nationality and Borders Bill with international law. (904919)
- 11 **Rob Butler** (Aylesbury): What recent steps she has taken to improve working practices on disclosure between all parties in the criminal justice system. (904920)
- 12 **Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): What recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the compatibility of the Nationality and Borders Bill with international law. (904921)

Questions for Answer on Monday 10 January

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Defence

- 1 **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): What recent assessment he has made of trends in the level of pay of armed forces personnel. (904819)

- 2 **Dr James Davies** (Vale of Clwyd): What steps his Department is taking to support defence jobs throughout the UK. (904820)
- 3 **Nick Smith** (Blaenau Gwent): What recent estimate he has made of the cost of the AJAX programme. (904821)
- 4 **Dr Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): What steps his Department is taking to support the relocation of (a) vulnerable Afghans and (b) British nationals from Afghanistan. (904822)
- 5 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): What steps his Department is taking to help protect the territorial integrity of Ukraine. (904823)
- 6 **Alun Cairns** (Vale of Glamorgan): What assessment he has made of the impact of the Future Soldier programme of reform on the army estate in Wales. (904824)
- 7 **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): If he will make an assessment of the potential merits of commissioning an inquiry into the UK's withdrawal of personnel from Afghanistan under Operation Pitting. (904825)
- 8 **Mr Gagan Mohindra** (South West Hertfordshire): What steps his Department is taking to help protect the territorial integrity of Ukraine. (904826)
- 9 **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): What recent assessment he has made of levels of defence co-operation between the UK and France. (904827)
- 10 **Rob Roberts** (Delyn): What steps his Department is taking to support defence jobs throughout the UK. (904828)
- 11 **Bob Seely** (Isle of Wight): What steps he is taking to ensure that contracts awarded by his Department are (a) subject to open competition and (b) accessible to domestic contractors. (904829)
- 12 **Jonathan Gullis** (Stoke-on-Trent North): What assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the veterans strategy. (904830)
- 13 **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): What steps he is taking to increase the number of apprentices in the armed forces. (904831)
- 14 **Andrew Bridgen** (North West Leicestershire): What steps his Department is taking to support defence jobs throughout the UK. (904832)
- 15 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland): What steps his Department is taking to help protect the territorial integrity of Ukraine. (904833)
- 16 **Andrew Jones** (Harrogate and Knaresborough): What steps his Department is taking to invest in technology and skills relevant to the armed forces throughout the UK. (904834)
- 17 **Mark Fletcher** (Bolsover): What assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of provisions in the Armed Forces Bill on (a) defence personnel and (b) the Armed Forces Covenant. (904835)

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- 18 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): What support military personnel are providing to the covid-19 booster vaccination roll-out (a) domestically and (b) internationally. (904836)
- 19 **Mark Pawsey** (Rugby): What steps his Department is taking to support defence jobs throughout the UK. (904837)
- 20 **Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth): What assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the role of the armed forces in the covid-19 booster vaccination roll-out. (904838)
- 21 **Joy Morrissey** (Beaconsfield): What steps his Department is taking to invest in technology and skills relevant to the armed forces throughout the UK. (904839)
- 22 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): What recent assessment his Department has made of the implications for its policies of the build-up of Russian forces along the border of Ukraine. (904840)
- 23 **Theo Clarke** (Stafford): What steps his Department is taking to tackle violent extremist organisations in sub-Saharan Africa. (904841)
- 24 **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): What recent assessment he has made of the availability of employment opportunities in the defence manufacturing sector. (904842)
- 25 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Melton): What work is undertaken by regimental units located at Kendrew Barracks. (904843)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Defence

- T1 **Chris Clarkson** (Heywood and Middleton): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (904844)
- T2 **Fay Jones** (Brecon and Radnorshire): (904845)
- T3 **Felicity Buchan** (Kensington): (904846)
- T4 **Gavin Newlands** (Paisley and Renfrewshire North): (904847)
- T5 **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): (904848)
- T6 **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): (904849)
- T7 **Mr Philip Hollobone** (Kettering): (904850)
- T8 **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): (904851)
- T9 **Tony Lloyd** (Rochdale): (904852)
- T10 **Mrs Sheryll Murray** (South East Cornwall): (904853)
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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 11 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing free covid-19 testing kits for businesses as more people are expected to take daily tests. (94461)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 12 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will implement the Business Rates Relief Fund before Christmas 2021 to allow local authorities to help businesses impacted by omicron covid-19 as soon as possible. (94460)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 19 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when guidance will be made available for businesses expected to implement NHS Covid Pass entry for indoor and outdoor gatherings. (94459)