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Questions tabled on Wednesday 14 October 2020

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Questions for Answer on Thursday 15 October

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether photographs used in Government public health adverts in newspapers are required to reflect the diversity of the communities in which those adverts are placed. [Transferred] (102184)
- Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the need to educate consumers of the financial risks when booking travel that is not covered by the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations. [Transferred] (102921)
- Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Covid-19 outbreak, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of providing greater clarity to consumers of the financial risks entailed with booking DIY travel outside of the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations. [Transferred] (102922)
- Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many households have applied for grants under the Green Homes Grant scheme to date. [Transferred] (102869)
- Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much funding has been allocated in the form of vouchers under the Green Homes Grant scheme to date. [Transferred] (102866)

- Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent assessment he has made of the level of demand for grants under the Green Homes scheme. [Transferred] (102865)
- 7 Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the incentives to improve the energy efficiency of (a) private rented accommodation and (b)(i) council-owned and (ii) housing association-owned socially rented accommodation.

 [Transferred] (102864)
- 8 **Gordon Henderson** (Sittingbourne and Sheppey): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what plans he has to provide support to seaside and high street arcades during the covid-19 outbreak. [Transferred] (102771)
- Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions he had had with (a) Cineworld and (b) trade unions on financial support for staff affected by the planned partial closure of that company's cinemas.
 [Transferred] (102709)
- Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the planned partial closure of Cineworld's cinemas during the covid-19 outbreak, what plans his Department has to work with HM Treasury to provide further financial support to the film and screen industry.

 [Transferred] (102710)
- Abena Oppong-Asare (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if he will make it his policy to increase the £750 million covid-19 support package for frontline charities announced in April 2020.

 [Transferred] (102949)
- Selaine Saxby (North Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to provide support to bus and coach industries to mitigate the effects of covid-19 outbreak on those industries.

 [Transferred] (102962)
- 13 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase the speed at which clinical trials for medical research can be conducted. [Transferred] (102799)
- 14 **Mr David Davis** (Haltemprice and Howden): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate her Department has made of the compliance rate for travel quarantine rules. [Transferred] (102670)
- Neil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many appeals to EU Settlement Scheme decisions have (a) been made and (b) been successful in reversing a decision made by his Department. [Transferred] (102821)

- Bim Afolami (Hitchin and Harpenden): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the likely effect on business insolvencies of reintroducing secondary preferential creditor status in December 2020.

 [Transferred] (102913)
- Mr Kevan Jones (North Durham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what support is available to employers whose staff need to self-isolate for a period during which time statutory sick pay would exceed the amount of state aid received by the employer.

 [Transferred] (102696)

Questions for Answer on Friday 16 October

Questions for Written Answer

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- 1 Ellie Reeves (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Attorney General, what the compliance rate was for the Area Assurance Programme in (a) 2020, (b) 2019, (c) 2018, (d) 2017, (e) 2016 and (f) 2015. (103603)
- 2 Ellie Reeves (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Attorney General, when the HM Crown Prosecution Service Inspectorate report on the VCL scheme will be published. (103604)
- 3N Alex Davies-Jones (Pontypridd): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many fatalities have been recorded in hospitals in England for injuries related to firework displays in each year since 2010.

 [Transferred] (102958)
- 4 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to ensure that goods produced in Northern Ireland do not face competitive disadvantage when placed on the market in Great Britain. (103660)
- 5 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to develop the Authorised Economic Order system for trade between Great Britain and Northern Ireland. (103661)
- 6 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps are being taken to accommodate intermediate processing of goods in Northern Ireland without those goods being deemed at risk.

 (103662)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the birth rate was in each month since January 2020 to date. (103516)

- 8 Angela Crawley (Lanark and Hamilton East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of a freelance performers support scheme during the covid-19 outbreak.

 (103567)
- 9 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what support he has made available to (a) private dental practices and (b) other healthcare providers during the covid-19 outbreak. (103623)
- 10 **Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the increase in the level of covid-19 cases, what steps he is taking to encourage (a) supermarkets and (b) other retail stores to consider re-introducing measures to support vulnerable shoppers such as dedicated shopping hours. (103632)
- 11 Sir Mark Hendrick (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what support he is providing to businesses that are (a) closed and (b) trading with reduced capacity as a result of covid-19 lockdown restrictions.
- 12 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much Government funding has been spent on subsidising (a) offshore wind, (b) onshore wind and (c) solar for electricity generation in each of the last three years; and what volume of electricity was generated by each of those modes of generation as a result of those subsidies. (103475)
- 13N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many of the advance purchases of covid-19 vaccines have been bought from manufacturers based in the UK.

 [Transferred] (102794)
- Jonathan Reynolds (Stalybridge and Hyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what progress his Department is making on making it easier for fathers to take paternity leave. (103498)
- Jonathan Reynolds (Stalybridge and Hyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what progress his Department is making on its consultation on parental leave and pay which closed on 29 November 2019.

 (103499)
- Jonathan Reynolds (Stalybridge and Hyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department plans to provide additional parental pay entitlements for new parents who have recently changed or left their jobs as a result of the covid-19 outbreak. (103500)
- Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking with the Secretary of State for Transport to co-ordinate policy on a UK hydrogen strategy. (103665)

- Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Transport on ensuring that the roll-out of hydrogen vehicles keeps pace with the rapid growth in hydrogen fuel production. (103666)
- 19N Jane Stevenson (Wolverhampton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent assessment he has made of the value of the aluminium sector to the UK economy. [Transferred] (102932)
- 20 **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many people have applied for the Green Homes Grant scheme to date. (103447)
- 21 **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he plans to publish a review of the Green Homes Grant scheme after that scheme has ended. (103448)
- Alberto Costa (South Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital,
 Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions his Department has had with the Royal
 British Legion on enabling the safe attendance of Remembrance Sunday events
 during the covid-19 outbreak. (103560)
- 23 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what plans he has to allocate additional funding to the culture and arts sector in Battersea constituency. (103622)
- Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the proposals made in FIFPro's report of 14 October 2020 entitled Covid-19 Recovery and Resilience recommendations. (103515)
- 25 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what estimate he has made of the cost to the public purse of removing Huawei from the 5G network; and how he plans to fund that removal.
- 26 Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what criteria the Government is using to define the hardest-to-reach areas for gigabit capable rollout. (103502)
- 27 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if he will publish the Government's strategy for encouraging competition amongst rural broadband providers. (103503)
- 28 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps he is taking to ensure value for money and protect public investment in broadband network expansion. (103504)

- 29 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what estimate his Department has made of the number of (a) premises in total and (b) business premises in areas without access to broadband services faster than 100mbps and who are in areas ineligible for support from the Rural Gigabit Connectivity Programme. (103505)
- 30 **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what long-term financial support his Department is offering to dementia charities during the covid-19 outbreak. (103646)
- Jon Trickett (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if he will develop an action plan to support the response to the (a) community, (b) amateur and (c) professional sports funding crisis as a result of the covid-19 outbreak.
- Jon Trickett (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what his policy is on the role of (a) Government and (b) professional sporting governing bodies in providing financial support to financially stricken sports clubs during the covid-19 outbreak. (103429)
- 33N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the legal position is on the wearing of face masks and social distancing on school transport.

 [Transferred] (102672)
- 34N **Peter Kyle** (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he plans to strengthen legal obligations on local authorities to share information relating to children at risk of criminal exploitation.

 [Transferred] (102886)
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many children are currently being schooled at home on a permanent basis because they are not permitted to attend school for medical or other reasons; if he will make it his policy to provide Free School Meal vouchers to families of children who would qualify for FSM support if their children were permitted to attend school.
- Siobhain McDonagh (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what equality impact assessment his Department has undertaken on the effect of delaying GCSE examinations by three weeks in the 2020-21 academic year due to the covid-19 outbreak on (a) disabled candidates and (b) candidates with special educational needs.
- 37 **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department has undertaken an equality impact assessment on the effect of delaying A levels examinations by three weeks in the 2020-21 academic year due to the covid-19 outbreak on (a) disabled candidates and (b) candidates with special educational needs. (103423)

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- Siobhain McDonagh (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department has undertaken an equality impact assessment on the effect of delaying Btec examinations by three weeks in the 2020-21 academic year due to the covid-19 outbreak on (a) disabled candidates and (b) candidates with special educational needs. (103424)
- 39 **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of suspending the School Attendance Order for parents who do not want their child to return to school during the covid-19 outbreak, particularly in cases where the child or a member of that child's household is considered to be clinically extremely vulnerable. (103628)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to encourage secondary pupils to study a foreign language. (103517)
- 41 Alberto Costa (South Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of increasing fines for fly-tipping. (103561)
- 42 Alberto Costa (South Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of allowing local authorities to identify publicly people prosecuted for (a) fly-tipping and (b) hiring an unlicensed waste carrier. (103562)
- 43 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans he has to ban destructive industrial fishing in marine protected areas. (103620)
- 44 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how serious breaches of environmental law will be enforced in the time period between the end of the transition period and the Office for Environmental Protection becoming legally operational. (103476)
- 45 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what safeguards he plans to put in place to ensure that the interim environmental governance arrangements required before the Office for Environmental Protection becomes legally operational are independent of Government.
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what (a) staff resources and (b) funding he plans to make available to the interim environmental governance arrangements required before the Office for Environmental Protection becomes legally operational. (103478)

- 47 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether members of the public will be able to submit complaints on potential breaches of environmental law via a complaints management system that will be operational from 1 January 2021 and operated independently from GOV.UK.
- 48 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment,
 Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 16 June 2020 Question
 57161, what assessment he has made of the effect of the (a) timetable for the
 Environment Bill and (b) covid-19 outbreak on the public appointments timescales
 for the board of the proposed Office for Environmental Protection. (103480)
- 49 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to publish the full, open public consultation on the Government's policy statement on environmental principles that his Department committed to in December 2018. (103481)
- Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of levels of air pollution in areas surrounding schools in (a) Harrow West and (b) London; and if he will make a statement. (103412)
- Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans the Government has to take steps to reduce the amount of plastic pollution in the sea; and if he will make a statement. (103413)
- Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans his Department has to take steps to help prevent single use personal protective equipment from (a) polluting the sea and (b) affecting marine life; and if he will make a statement. (103414)
- Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to encourage the public use of reusable face coverings to reduce the potential effect of disposable single-use personal protective equipment on the environment; and if he will make a statement.
- Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to encourage a more circular fashion and textile industry; and if he will make a statement. (103416)
- Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce use of single use plastics; and if he will make a statement. (103417)
- Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what further steps his Department will take to prevent the decline in the bee population after the end of the transition period; and if he will make a statement.

- Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to restrict the use of pesticides by farmers; and if he will make a statement. (103419)
- Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether the Government is taking to encourage manufacturers to (a) reduce and (b) end use of palm oil in their products; and if he will make a statement.

 (103420)
- Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many trees have been planted under the Urban Tree Challenge Fund (a) nationally and (b) in Harrow West constituency to date; and if he will make a statement. (103421)
- 60 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether an Organic Equivalence Arrangement will be in place with Japan before the end of the transition period. (103462)
- 61 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress the Government is making on negotiations to a secure an Organic Equivalence Arrangement with Japan. (103463)
- 62 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps she is taking to support UK fuel cell manufacturers export their products. (103507)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what assessment she has made of the potential effect of a UK-Kenya free trade agreement on the East African Community's Common External Tariff. (103449)
- 64 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what safeguards are in place to ensure that e-scooters used on roads and highways have been legally approved. (103626)
- 65N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to reply to the correspondence from the hon. Member for East Londonderry sent on 28 July 2020 regarding help for the travel industry.

 [Transferred] (102692)
- Paul Girvan (South Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether grandfathered driving rights driving licenses issued by the Driver and Vehicle Agency Northern Ireland are recognised if that driver transfers to a DVLA license.

 (103606)
- 67 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when the Global Travel Taskforce held its first meeting. (103542)
- Rebecca Long Bailey (Salford and Eccles): To ask the Secretary of State for
 Transport, whether the Global Travel Taskforce will engage with representatives
 of the business travel industry. (103543)

- 69 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will instruct the Global Travel Taskforce to work with representatives of the business travel sector to help (a) design and (b) implement a covid-19 testing regime at airports. (103544)
- 70 Abena Oppong-Asare (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department plans to provide additional funding to local transport authorities to reduce the cost of travel for young people in (a) London and (b) the rest of England. (103645)
- Rushanara Ali (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to investigate and rectify underpayment made in error of the state pension to retired women. (103524)
- Rushanara Ali (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent estimate she has made of the number of families with children affected by the benefit cap. (103525)
- Rushanara Ali (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential effect on poverty levels of reintroducing universal credit sanctions and conditionality in the next six months.

 (103526)
- Rushanara Ali (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what representations she has received from food bank providers on levels of demand for emergency food assistance in the last six months. (103527)
- 75 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what her plans are for the future of face-to-face assessments for welfare payments. (103528)
- Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 13 October 2020 to Question 99030 on Department for Work and Pensions: Private Finance Initiative, which Department has responsibility for Health and Safety Laboratory, Buxton PFI. (103568)
- 77 Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to Answer of 13 July 2020 to Question 69600 and Answer of 1 July 2020 to Question 63208, what progress has been made on implementing the decision of the court of appeal on 22 June 2020 on universal credit systems taking account of the day that a monthly salary is paid. (103554)
- 78 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of reducing the five-week wait time for universal credit claimants to receive their first payment. (103431)

- 79 **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions she has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on (a) extending the £20 uplift to universal credit and working tax credit beyond April 2021 and (b) extending that uplift to people on legacy benefits.
- 80 Cat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what specific steps she is taking to support women and girls facing multiple disadvantage into employment. (103557)
- 81N **Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Universal Credit claimants rented from a private landlord and had (a) dependent children and (b) no dependent children in (i) the most recent month for which data is available and (ii) the same month in 2019. (103409)
- 82 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will set up more post-covid 19 clinics to support people who are chronically ill with coronavirus symptoms. (103520)
- Rushanara Ali (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what additional support he plans to make available to general practices (a) during and (b) after the coronavirus outbreak. (103521)
- Rushanara Ali (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress his Department has made on ensuring that the correct supply chain requirements have been made for distributing a covid-19 vaccine.
- Rushanara Ali (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with medical logistics experts on the roll-out of a covid-19 vaccine. (103523)
- 86 **Paul Bristow** (Peterborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps Clinical Commissioning Groups has taken to challenge abstinence-only approaches to alcoholism by GPs. (103640)
- 87 **Paul Bristow** (Peterborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether Clinical Commissioning Groups are encouraging GPs to identify heavy drinkers who would potentially benefit from a prescription for nalmefene in addition to psychosocial support. (103641)
- 88 **Paul Bristow** (Peterborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the NICE Implementation Collaborative report, Supporting local implementation of NICE Technology Appraisal 325 on reducing alcohol consumption in adults with alcohol dependence, what progress his Department has made on implementing guidance on (a) encouraging the prescription of nalmefene and (b) reducing complexity in the provision of alcohol-treatment services within the NHS.

- 89 **Paul Bristow** (Peterborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether NICE Guidance CG115 will be updated to reflect studies that conclude that naltrexone is (a) effective at reducing alcohol use and heavy drinking and (b) less effective at maintaining abstinence. (103643)
- 90 Sara Britcliffe (Hyndburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to ensure that funding from the public purse is allocated to support the provision of adequate NHS staffing levels to (a) diagnose and (b) treat patients with cancer in the (i) short and (ii) long term. (103657)
- 91 Anthony Browne (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the difference between the Public Health England and the World Health Organisation's classification of deaths from covid-19, if he will publish figures for deaths from covid-19 in the UK according to the WHO definition that Covid-19 should be recorded on the medical certificate of cause of death for all decedents where the disease caused, or is assumed to have caused, or contributed to death.
- 92 **Felicity Buchan** (Kensington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effect of the tiered system of covid-19 alert levels on the work of (a) Alcoholics Anonymous, (b) Narcotics Anonymous and (c) other support groups in areas of different levels of risk. (103647)
- 93 Ian Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what impact assessment has been undertaken on the potential effect of gym closures in tier 3 covid-19 areas on (a) health and wellbeing and (b) mental health and wellbeing.

 (103651)
- 94 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish the scientific advice he received on closing gyms in tier 3 covid-19 areas. (103652)
- 95 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to lift restrictions on care home visits to enable families to visit loved ones with dementia. (103624)
- 96 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what use NHS Test and Trace is making of information from credit checking agencies. (103552)
- 97 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what support the Government is providing to Birmingham City Council to assist with covid-19 contact tracing in that area. (103600)
- 98 Mary Glindon (North Tyneside): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what data the Department holds on selective abortions on grounds of disability in England and Wales from January to June 2020. (103511)

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- 99 **Mary Glindon** (North Tyneside): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many unborn babies have received surgery for open spina bifida; and how much money has been spent on those surgeries since the introduction of the open spina bifida surgery in 2018. (103512)
- 100 Chris Green (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the effect of the covid-19 outbreak on detection rates of (a) cardiovascular disease and (b) heart valve disease. (103545)
- 101 **Chris Green** (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to mitigate the effect of the covid-19 outbreak on the (a) diagnosis and treatment of and (b) support available for patients with heart valve disease. (103546)
- 102 **Chris Green** (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve the early detection of heart valve disease within primary care and the wider community during the covid-19 outbreak.
- 103NRobert Halfon (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to review the decision to require individuals to wear face coverings in places of worship during the covid-19 outbreak. [Transferred] (102763)
- 104 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of British residents that have contracted covid-19 on a flight in each of the last six months. (103433)
- 105 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that care homes are prepared for a second wave of covid-19 ahead of winter 2020-21. (103436)
- 106 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to monitor the (a) clinical performance and (b) delivery rate of NHS treatments not related to covid-19. (103437)
- 107 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his strategy is for administering a covid-19 vaccine once it has been approved by the Government. (103438)
- 108 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with (a) the Secretary of State for Transport and (b) his German counterpart on promoting ventilation as a means of reducing the transmission of covid-19.
- 109 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the operational capacity of the PPE portal; what plans his Department has to reimburse (a) local authorities, (b) care homes and (c) other organisations eligible to use that portal for costs

- of alternative procurement in the event that adequate personal protective equipment in unavailable through the portal during the covid-19 outbreak; and if he will make a statement. (103473)
- 110 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reasons he has not yet answered Question 96963 on Community Care: Coronavirus, tabled on 29 September 2020; when he plans to respond to that Question; if he will make it his policy to begin regular repeat covid-19 tests for (a) occupational therapists, (b) audiology specialists and (c) other health professionals who visit care homes; and if he will make a statement. (103474)
- 111N Grahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have successfully accessed the £500 self-isolation payment; and what estimate he has made of the proportion of people who are eligible to receive that payment who have received it.

 [Transferred] (102757)
- 112 **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of mandatory face coverings for contractors completing building work and maintenance in an individual's home. (103482)
- 113 **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the (a) funding allocated and (b) real terms change in funding for alcohol treatment services in (i) England, (ii) London and (iii) Suffolk since 2012. (103483)
- 114 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether tranexamic acid is used for accident victims to help control bleeding. (103518)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure the availability of the flu vaccine at pharmacies and chemists. (103519)
- 116 Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of people in (a) Rother Valley constituency, (b) the Metropolitan Borough of Rotherham and (c) South Yorkshire are tested for covid-19 each week per 100,000 of the population. (103667)
- 117 **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to ensure people with (a) diabetes and (b) at risk of serious consequences from covid-19 are being actively reviewed by suitably qualified healthcare professionals.

 [R] (103590)
- Derek Thomas (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that integrated care systems and sustainability and transformation partnerships have up-to-date guidance on the increased risk to people with uncontrolled diabetes of covid-19; and what steps he is taking to ensure that regional NHS teams are monitoring their plans to (a) identify and (b) protect those people most at risk.

 [R] (103591)

- 119 **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase the number of psychologists (a) specialising in diabetes and (b) providing clinics for people with diabetes. [R] (103589)
- 120N Derek Twigg (Halton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to his oral contribution of 12 October 2020, Official Report, column 33, for what reason Halton local authority area is and (b) other local authority areas with (i) higher and (ii) similar rates of covid-19 infection are not subject to Tier 3 restrictions.

 [Transferred] (102687)
- 121 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the
 spread of disinformation in international media concerning the existence of
 concentration camps in the Xinjiang province of the People's Republic of China.

 (103464)
- 122 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the findings of the International Criminal Court into the human rights abuses of Venezuelan President, Nicolas Maduro; and what support the Government has provided to the Lima countries. (103599)
- 123 Jane Hunt (Loughborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had
 with his Chinese counterpart on debt relief for developing countries in response
 to the covid-19 pandemic. (103659)
- 124 Chris Stephens (Glasgow South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations he has made to
 his Turkish counterpart on that country's use anti-terror legislation to close down
 the open and democratic operations of the People's Democratic Party by the
 ruling Justice and Development Party and Nationalist Movement Party alliance. (103564)
- 125N Jamie Stone (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what progress he has made on the Integrated Review of Security, Defence, Development and Foreign Policy.

 [Transferred] (102898)
- 126 **Christian Wakeford** (Bury South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 6 October
 2020 to Question 91204 on UNRWA: Finance, how much funding the UK has
 allocated to the UN Relief and Works Agency in 2020. (103668)
- 127 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what provision she is making for the education, health and mental welfare of unaccompanied asylum seekers detained in the Kent Intake Unit. (103553)

- 128 Allan Dorans (Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to extend the visas of foreign nationals stranded in the UK due to travel restrictions during the covid-19 pandemic. (103625)
- 129 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) British and (b) foreign travellers have been fined for breaching quarantine rules following arrival to England from a non-exempt country in the last six months. (103432)
- Jane Hunt (Loughborough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to Recommendation 21 of the Third Report of the House of Lords Science and Technology Committee's report, Forensic science and the criminal justice system: a blueprint for change, published on 1 May 2020, HL Paper 333, what recent discussions she has had with forensic science stakeholders on the potential merits of establishing a Forensic Science Institute; and what the outcome of those discussions was.
- 131 Andy Slaughter (Hammersmith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answers of 10 September 2020 to Question 85969 and 14 October 2020 to Question 100312, if she will take steps with knife (a) manufacturers and (b) retailers to change the design of kitchen knives to replace pointed ends with rounded ends.
- 132 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of the potential effect of using third-party suppliers for asylum interviews on the level of outstanding asylums (a) claims and (b) interviews. (103558)
- 133 Cat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment her Department has made of the ability of third party suppliers to conduct asylum interviews effectively. (103559)
- 134 Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, what steps she is taking to tackle violence and abuse experienced by
 shop workers; and if she will make a statement. (103411)
- Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to ensure that known human rights abusers in Hong Kong do not benefit from the bespoke immigration route being developed for British Nationals (Overseas) passport holders from Hong Kong. (103579)
- 136 Christian Wakeford (Bury South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, for what reasons a UK citizen living in the UK is charged a fee for the citizenship applications process to bring their non-UK citizen spouse to the UK and a EU citizen living in the UK is able to bring their spouse to the UK through the settled status scheme. (103669)

- 137 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment his Department has made of the financial implications for local authorities of removing section 106 payments. (103530)
- 138 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how his Department plans to ensure that the proposed new levy on developers raises at least as much value as is currently captured through the Community Infrastructure Levy and section 106 payments.

 (103531)
- Rushanara Ali (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether it is his policy that local authorities will be able to determine the new infrastructure levy on developers; and at what level he plans to set the value-based minimum threshold for that levy. (103532)
- 140 Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to his Department's response to the e-petition entitled Free leaseholders trapped in new build properties by post-Grenfell EWS1 form and the statement in that response that building owners and managing agents should also make available relevant information to residents, lenders and potential buyers, what (a) content that information should provide and (b) form that information should take. (103587)
- 141 **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans he has to bring forward legislative proposals on (a) ensuring contractors are not able to start work on site without evidence of a planning approval notice and (b) seeking consent from all landowners affected by the application to be given before starting work. (103592)
- 142NThangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to his section 1.21 of his guidance for landlords and tenants entitled Will bailiffs enforce evictions across the Christmas period, for which categories of cases evictions will be permitted to proceed during the period covered by the winter truce.

 [Transferred] (102870)
- 143 Ellie Reeves (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will publish the number of cases issued under a fixed penalty notice in (a) 2020, (b) 2019, (c) 2018, (d) 2017, (e) 2016 and (f) 2015. (103605)
- 144 Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the right hon. Member for East Hampshire, representing the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body, what assessment has been made of the adequacy of the design of the proposed temporary chamber in Richmond House to facilitate social distancing measures in the event of future coronavirus outbreaks.

- 145 **Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the right hon. Member for East Hampshire, representing the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body, what assessment has been made of the potential merits of reconstructing the Commons Chamber to facilitate social distancing in the event of future coronavirus outbreaks. (103575)
- 146 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Prime Minister, what criteria is used by Government Departments when granting public contracts to private companies.

 (103434)
- 147 Ian Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what economic impact assessment has been undertaken on gym closures in tier 3 covid-19 areas; and what further economic support will be provided to gyms that are forced to close as a result of those restrictions. (103649)
- 148 **Sir Alan Campbell** (Tynemouth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether there are plans to provide a more tailored package of support for pubs and brewers during the covid-19 outbreak. (103439)
- 149 **Angela Crawley** (Lanark and Hamilton East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will extend the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme for self-employed people who rely on the hospitality sector for their income. (103566)
- 150 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what plans his Department has to fund counselling in all schools and colleges as part of the Comprehensive Spending Review. (103621)
- 151N Peter Kyle (Hove): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 8 October 2020 to Question 97543 on Housing: Insulation, if he will make it his policy to extend the temporary reduced rate of Stamp Duty Land Tax for home buyers.

 [Transferred] (102883)
- 152 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions he has held with the Secretary of State for Transport on introducing a bespoke package of financial support for businesses and employees operating in the aviation and travel industries in response to the covid-19 pandemic. (103540)
- 153 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will provide sector specific financial support for (a) businesses and (b) employees operating in the (i) aviation industry and (ii) business travel sector in response to the covid-19 pandemic. (103541)
- 154NAngus Brendan MacNeil (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the effect on (a) long-haul air travel demand and (b) and long-haul connectivity at Scottish airports of the cessation of tax-free shopping for passengers from 1 January 2021. [Transferred] (102714)

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- Jim McMahon (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of reducing Government wage subsidies from 80 per cent to 67 per cent during the covid-19 outbreak; and what assessment he has made of the effect of implementing that reduction on people on the minimum wage. (103594)
- Henry Smith (Crawley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of introducing a 12-month waiver on Air Passenger Duty to provide support to the aviation sector, trade and connectivity during the covid-19 outbreak. (103484)
- 157NAlex Sobel (Leeds North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether staff working in accommodation businesses in very high alert level areas will be eligible for support from the extended Job Support Scheme. [Transferred] (102919)
- 158 **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing a minimum price for alcohol. (103593)

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Questions for Written Answer

- 1N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the potential effect on central government facilities management contracts of the proposed merger between Mitie and Interserve.

 [R] (103653)
- 2N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the proposed merger between Mitie and Interserve, what plans he has to require the suitability of the resulting commercial entity to be reviewed under the Cabinet Office (Crown Commercial Service) Framework.
- 3N Ian Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the resulting commercial entity of the proposed merger between Mitie and Interserve will assume responsibility for the social value responsibilities of Interserve; and whether a new assessment under the Facilities Management Framework will take place.

 [R] (103655)
- 4N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, if any constraints been placed on the investments of the Chief Medical Officer and Chief Security Officer as set out in the Civil Service Management Code; and if have they shared the nature and value of their private investments with Government. (103509)

- 5N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what privacy, data sharing and data safeguarding obligations, in addition to GDPR, there are on private data firms providing services to Government Departments who require access to public sector data.
- 6N Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the (a) grid infrastructure upgrades required to facilitate the planned deployment of 40GW of offshore wind by 2030 and (b) effect of Ofgem's interim decision on RIIO 2 on the required upgrades; and will he make a statement.
- 7N Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he plans to publish a response to the Committee on Climate Change report entitled, Reducing UK Emissions Progress Report to Parliament, published in June 2020. (103573)
- 8N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many successful prosecutions of letting agents there have been under the Energy Performance of Buildings (England & Wales)

 Regulations 2012 since those regulations come into force. (103598)
- 9N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, for what reasons people eligible for the Green Homes Grant scheme have not been able to receive their vouchers before the start of November 2020.
- 10N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans his Department has to increase the number of local contractors participating in the Green Homes Grant scheme. (103444)
- 11N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what estimate he has made of the number of people eligible for the Green Homes Grant scheme who will be unable to use that scheme due to inadequate numbers of qualified installers in their area. (103445)
- 12N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he plans to extend the deadline of the Green Homes Grant scheme after 31 March 2021. (103446)
- 13N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make it his policy to allow recipients of funding from the Bounce Back Loan scheme to reapply for the scheme in the event that they did not use the full amount on offer for their first loan. (103630)
- 14N **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what the planned timescale is for allowing (a) conferences and (b) exhibitions to be held during the covid-19 outbreak. (103637)

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- 15N Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions he has had with the English Football League on the pilots of fans attending football matches during the covid-19 outbreak. (103513)
- 16N Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the English Football League pilots of fans attending football matches during the covid-19 outbreak. (103514)
- 17N Ben Everitt (Milton Keynes North): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital,
 Culture, Media and Sport, what funding his Department plans to make available
 from the public purse for arts and culture venues that were unsuccessful in
 obtaining funds from the Culture Recovery Fund. (103656)
- 18N **Gill Furniss** (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what recent assessment he has made of the financial sustainability of libraries. (103596)
- 19N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether his Department allocated funding to the Fatima's Next Job Could be in Cyber advert. (103538)
- 20N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the decision of the European Court of Justice of 6 October 2020 on the UK's retention of data, what steps he is taking to secure a data-sharing agreement with the EU after the end of the transition period. (103597)
- 21N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, for what reason schools are being asked to provide assessment data for (a) phonics screening and (b) key stage 1 and 2 statutory tests for academic year 2019-20 when those tests did not take place.
- 22N **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent estimate his Department has made of the number of children in England without a laptop or tablet. (103485)
- 23N **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, by what date his Department completed distribution of all laptops, tablets and 4G wireless routers to eligible pupils during the covid-19 outbreak. (103486)
- 24N **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many laptops, tablets and 4G routers the Government has distributed to eligible pupils during the coronavirus outbreak. (103487)
- 25N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the number of children in care who do not have access to (a) digital devices or (b) data in order to access remote support from social services in the event they or their social worker are required to self-isolate; and what steps is he taking to improve access. (103585)

- 26N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he has taken to implement proposals in the Transforming children and young people's mental health provision Green Paper. (103586)
- 27N **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the number of off mains drainage properties which use septic tanks in (a) England and (b) Cumbria. (103465)
- 28N Fleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps she is taking to ensure that child health is prioritised when discussing food standards during negotiations on future trade agreements. (103639)
- 29N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what discussions her Department had with Brendan Cox on the GREAT campaign in financial year 2019-20; and whether Brendan Cox received remuneration for discussions on that campaign. (103461)
- 30N Lilian Greenwood (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with operators of state-owned motorway service areas on renewing their leases. (103488)
- 31N Lilian Greenwood (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with operators of state-owned motorway service areas on those operators accessing investment in (a) site improvements, (b) HGV parking facilities and (c) electric vehicle charging infrastructure. (103489)
- 32N Lilian Greenwood (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of renewing or extending the leases at state-owned motorway service areas on levels of private sector investment in (a) electric vehicle charging infrastructure, (b) HGV parking and (c) site improvements.
- 33N Lilian Greenwood (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to make a decision on whether to renew or extend the leases at state-owned motorway service areas with leases expiring in 2020-32. (103491)
- 34N **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the number of families who will be newly subject to the benefit cap after the end of the current grace period. (103529)
- 35N Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 13 October 2020 to Question 99030 on Department for Work and Pensions: Private Finance Initiative, which Department has responsibility for New Merseyside Centre. (103569)
- 36N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many applications to the Kickstart scheme from (a) employers and (b) intermediaries her Department has received from each region and nation of the UK.

- 37N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Kickstart scheme placements have been (a) pledged by employers and (b) made available for young universal credit claimants to apply for in each region and nation of the UK. (103535)
- 38N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she will take (a) to ensure that requirements for employers participating in the Kickstart scheme to deliver support and training will be assessed and monitored by her Department and (b) in the event that those requirements are not met.

 (103536)
- 39N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many full-time equivalent work coaches her Department employs, (b) how many new work coaches (i) were recruited in September and (ii) have been recruited to date in October 2020 and (c) how many full-time equivalent work coaches are being trained to work specifically with young people. (103537)
- 40N **Anne Marie Morris** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will (a) produce FAQs for businesses applying to the Kickstart scheme and (b) ensure that local staff of her Department are adequately briefed on the details of the scheme.

 (103533)
- 41N **Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 5 October 2020 to Question 96745 on Universal Credit, what the timetable is for her Department to bring forward legislative proposals to address the issues raised by the Court of Appeal. (103407)
- 42N **Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 5 October 2020 to Question 96745, whether the proposed legislation will be applied retrospectively to households whose Universal Credit was previously reduced by the unlawful approach to calculating their earned income.
- 43N **Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people of state pension age received Housing Benefit for a private rented home in (a) the most recent month for which data is available and (b) the same month in 2019. (103410)
- 44N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when assessment he has made of the timescale for the approval of lenalidomide as a maintenance drug for post stem cell transplant treatment of Myeloma.

 [R] (103426)
- 45N Olivia Blake (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of covid-19 transmission rates by sectors of employment. (103663)

- 46N Olivia Blake (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the rate of covid-19 transmission amongst

 (a) employees and (b) customers of fast-food restaurant outlets. (103664)
- 47N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what impact assessment has been undertaken on the potential effect of the tier 3 covid-19 restrictions on the transmission of covid-19 in the Liverpool City Region; and what further support he will provide to health and social care services in that region.
- 48N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many (a) covid-19 test QR codes have been scanned at covid-19 test centres and (b) test results have been issued per day since August 1 2020. (103496)
- 49N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effect of the covid-19 outbreak on the treatment of arthritis. (103607)
- 50N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the evidential basis is for the decision to close (a) gyms, (b) leisure centres and (c) fitness and dance studios as part of the covid-19 restrictions announced on 12 October 2020. (103492)
- 51N Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of weekly testing for (a) domiciliary care workers and (b) nominated external visitors within care home settings.

 (103615)
- 52N Sarah Owen (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many downloads there were of the NHS covid-19 app on (a) 14 October 2020 and (b) the date the Secretary of State responds to this question. (103631)
- 53N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the availability of NHS specialist weight management services. (103467)
- 54N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average patient waiting times are for GP-led referrals for NHS specialist weight management services. (103468)
- 55N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many patients in England have undergone treatment for atrial fibrillation having reduced their weight to meet the inclusion criteria for that treatment. (103469)
- 56N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many patients have not met the inclusion criteria for treatment for atrial fibrillation as a result of their weight, in England, in the last three years. (103470)

- 57N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to answer Questions 95023, 95024, 95025 and 95029, tabled on 24 September 2020, and Question 97479, tabled on 30 September 2020 by the hon. Member for Hammersmith.
- 58N Andy Slaughter (Hammersmith): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many consultants are currently employed on the Government's Test and Trace programme; what the total expenditure on these consultants has been to date; which firms are providing those consultants; and how many consultants each such firm has provided at what cost. (103453)
- 59N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the highest daily or hourly rate paid for any individual consultant at each firm providing services to the Government's Test and Trace programme; what the period of engagement is for that consultant at each such firm; how much the Government has paid to engage that consultant at each such firm; and what the duties are of that consultant at each such firm. (103454)
- 60N Andy Slaughter (Hammersmith): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many additional consultants he plans to engage to work on the Government's Test and Trace programme; and from which firms he plans to engage those consultants. (103455)
- 61N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what type of contract he has used to engage consultants to work on the Government's Test and Trace programme; and what tendering process he used to let those contracts. (103456)
- 62N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether accommodation businesses in areas where the local covid-19 alert level is (a) medium and (b) high are required to (i) cancel and (ii) refuse bookings from people resident in areas where the local covid-19 alert level is high. (103619)
- 63N Zarah Sultana (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of implementing covid-safe spaces for cancer services to ensure cancer diagnostic services are not interrupted during the covid-19 outbreak. (103633)
- 64N Zarah Sultana (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made on the effectiveness of introducing targeted messages and advertising for people in clinically vulnerable categories as the UK enters a second wave of covid-19.
- 65N **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with his counterpart in the Scottish Government on the effect of mutual recognition principle in the UK Internal Markets Bill on public health objectives across the UK. (103576)

- 66N **Liz Twist** (Blaydon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to update the Commissioning Guidance for Rehabilitation. (103601)
- 67N Liz Twist (Blaydon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the he is taking to provide the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation with the necessary information to add people living with rare and genetic conditions to the prioritised groups for access to a future covid-19 vaccine.

(103602)

- 68N **Mr William Wragg** (Hazel Grove): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment has he made of the potential effectiveness of cotrimoxazole in the treatment of covid-19. (103550)
- 69N **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the (a) spend and (b) allocated
 budget has been of the Integrated Activity Fund to date, by financial year, since
 the start of the program in 2015.
- 70N David Linden (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the cost has been of the Gulf
 Strategy Integrated Delivery Team (IDT) by financial year from 2019-20; what the
 budget is for the IDT for the financial year 2020-21; and how many full-time and
 part-time military and civilian individuals are employed on that team. (103609)
- 71N David Linden (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many applications for funding
 from the Integrated Activity Fund over £50,000 were approved in financial year
 2019-20; what the value was of each of those applications; and which Department
 or Minister requested that funding.

 (103610)
- 72N David Linden (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much funding the College of
 Policing has received through the Integrated Activity Fund to deliver activities to
 bodies based in, or working in (a) Saudi Arabia, (b) Bahrain, (c) Kuwait, (d) Oman,
 (e) Qatar and (f) the United Arab Emirates.
- 73N **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the Government has provided
 technical assistance to (a) Saudi Arabia, (b) Kuwait, (c) UAE, (d) Oman and (e)
 Qatar since 2011. (103612)
- 74N Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he has taken to support Bahrain in providing urgent medical care to Dr Al-Singace in (a) 2019, (b) 2020 and (c) since 10 March 2020.

- 75N Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations the Government has made to the Government of Zimbabwe on recent instability in that country. (103613)
- 76N Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 14 October 2020 to Question 101309, whether the Special Envoy for Gender Equality and the Special Envoy for Girls' Education are (a) separate posts and (b) existing posts.
- 77N Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 14 October 2020 to Question 101309, whether the Special Envoy for Girls' Education is planned to replace the Special Envoy for Gender Equality. (103617)
- 78N **Lisa Nandy** (Wigan): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the cost has been of the merger of his Department with the Department for International Development to date. (103495)
- 79N Chris Stephens (Glasgow South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations he has made to
 his Turkish counterpart on the use of anti-terrorism legislation against (a) elected
 members of the People's Democratic Party and (b) other elected officials. (103563)
- 80N Chris Stephens (Glasgow South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent representations he has
 made to his Tukish counterpart on the issue of arrest warrants for 82 people,
 including former mayors and Members of the People's Democratic Party and the
 Party's Central Executive Board on the grounds of their having protested the siege
 of Kobane.

 (103565)
- 81N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the effect of her use of the phrase activist lawyers on the personal safety of immigration solicitors. (103494)
- 82N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 8 June 2020 to Question 49691 on Amazon Web Services, whether she set out the liability caps and evaluation of compliance with the Managing Public Money code. (103510)
- 83N Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the likely number of applicants for the bespoke British Nationals (Overseas) visa from Hong Kong; when she plans to publish the full details of that scheme; what steps she is taking to ensure that people convicted of offences related to participation in pro-democracy protests will are not prevented from accessing that scheme; and what arrangements she plans to put in place to welcome, integrate and support people who access that scheme.

- 84N Stephen Timms (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to recommendation 6 of her Department's Policy Equality Statement of 17 April 2020, when she plans to reissue that Policy Equality Statement on No Recourse to Public Funds so that it addresses the point relating to the impact on British citizen children. (103406)
- 85N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he plans to review the outcomes achieved by the Defence Safety Authority in providing safe working environments for the armed forces. (103442)
- 86N Gill Furniss (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to progress the Type 31 Frigate ships project.

 (103595)
- 87N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the answer of 13 July 2020 to Question 70307 on Ministry of Defence: Iraq Detainees, how much his Department has agreed to pay to date in relation to those outstanding 414 civil claims.
- 88N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many formal complaints of violent or abusive behaviour by staff at the Army Foundation College have been made by (a) Junior Soldiers or (b) their parents/ guardians since 2014. (103539)
- 89N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to Answer of 7 October to Questions 98730, 98731, 98732, if he will provide the information requested by the financial year of inflow. (103588)
- 90N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 6 March 2020 to Question 22054, what his timetable is for bringing forward legislative proposals on leasehold and commonhold reform. (103629)
- 91N Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Government's
 Affordable Homes programme and his Department's Guidance: Apply for
 affordable housing funding, published on 10 September 2020, whether affordable
 rent level grants for social rented homes will apply to (a) all areas or (b) only areas
 assessed as not having high affordability.

 (103555)
- 92N Andrea Leadsom (South Northamptonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to ensure that motorbike scrambling is subject to covid-19 legislation with no change in planning permission. (103497)
- 93N Zarah Sultana (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, what assessment his Department has made
 of the adequacy of the availability of emergency accommodation for people with
 nowhere safe to stay in the next 12 months.

 (103635)

- 94N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will provide an estimate of the volume of the reduction of illegal drugs smuggled into prisons he expects to be delivered through the implementation of the National Prison Drugs Strategy. (103441)
- 95N **Peter Kyle** (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what plans he has to manage the delivery of youth court hearings during a second wave of covid-19.(103580)
- 96N **Peter Kyle** (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent estimate he has made of the number of interventions mandated by Youth Rehabilitation Orders that are being delivered. (103581)
- 97N **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Prime Minister, which Minister of the Government has responsibility for tackling child poverty. (103548)
- 98N **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Prime Minister, whether there is a central point in the Government co-ordinating (a) policy responses and (b) financial responses to tackling child poverty. (103549)
- 99N Fleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions he has had with representatives of banks on the provision of free-to-use ATMs; and if he will make a statement. (103636)
- 100NFleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what financial support he is providing to the events and exhibitions sector during the covid-19 outbreak.

 (103638)
- 101NAlan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 11 of the Written Statement of 13 October 2020, HCWS508 on High Speed Two: Update to Parliament, Autumn 2020, what level of Barnett consequential money (a) has already been allocated and (b) is still to be allocated to the Scottish Government of the £9.6 billion spend to date. (103570)
- 102NAlan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to paragraph 11 of the Written Statement of 13 October 2020, HCWS508 on High Speed Two: Update to Parliament, Autumn 2020, what level of Barnett Consequential money is to derive to Scotland (a) in total and (b) to provide an annual profile of the projected allocation of the £11.5 billion contracted spend.
- 103Nlan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what impact assessment has been made of the potential effect of tier 3 covid-19 restrictions on the economy of the Liverpool City Region; and what further economic support he will provide to that region in response to those restrictions.

 (103648)
- 104NMr Gregory Campbell (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what plans he has for the further roll out the comprehensive communications plan from October 2020 to the end of the 2020-21 tax year. (103440)

- 105NPatricia Gibson (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions he has had with cabinet colleagues on exempting household cleaning products from VAT during the covid19 outbreak. (103556)
- 106NPatrick Grady (Glasgow North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the effect of mortgage holidays taken during the covid-19 outbreak on the credit ratings of mortgage prisoners. (103551)
- 107NHelen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent estimate he has made of the reductions in the levels of local government funding due to the covid-19 outbreak. (103582)
- 108NHelen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the benefits of increasing discretionary housing payments budgets for councils during the winter 2020. (103583)
- 109NHelen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions he has had with local authorities on the local authority finance settlement. (103584)
- 110N Kerry McCarthy (Bristol East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to his announcement of 9 October 2020 on the expansion of the Jobs Support Scheme, whether that expansion applies to businesses that supply businesses legally required to close their premises as a result of covid-19 restrictions. (103450)
- 111N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether Amazon will be subject to the Digital Services Tax. (103506)
- 112N Mr Virendra Sharma (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 13 October 2020 to Question 100924, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of implementing business rate relief for airports. (103466)
- 113N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether coach operators working in very high covid-19 alert areas will be eligible for the extended Job Support Scheme announced in October 2020. (103618)
- 114N Jane Stevenson (Wolverhampton North East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will grant a business rates exemption to hospitality venues during the covid-19 outbreak. (103627)
- 115 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will revise the definition of cigarillos so that they are in the same tax bracket as factory-made cigarettes after the end of transition period. (103577)

116N Derek Twigg (Halton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will take additional fiscal steps beyond the (a) Green Recovery Challenge Fund and (b) Climate for Nature Fund to ensure that (i) nature and (ii) nature based solutions form part of the UK's green recovery from the covid-19 pandemic. (103430)

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- 1N Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the introduction of video triage at A&Es during the covid-19 outbreak; and what plans he has to promote that policy beyond the outbreak. (103457)
- 2N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what support his Department is providing to local ambulance services and community teams for fall prevention work. (103458)
- 3N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate his Department has made of the number of units of personal protective equipment in stockpile for use in (a) Hull and East Yorkshire and (b) England.
- 4N Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what additional well-being and mental health support his Department will be providing to NHS staff as the UK enters a second wave of covid-19 in the winter period. (103460)