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Questions tabled on Friday 11 December 2020

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Questions for Answer on Monday 14 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to ensure peer review of the methods and independent verification of the results of ONS estimates of covid-19 cases. [R] [Transferred] (127538)
- 2 **Sir Alan Campbell** (Tynemouth): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what plans the Government has to enable key workers who will be working over Christmas to take the five day easing of covid-19 restrictions period earlier than 23 December. [Transferred] (127487)
- 3 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what plans his Department has to mark remembrance of those who have lost their lives due to the covid-19 outbreak. [Transferred] (128250)
- 4 **Naz Shah** (Bradford West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will bring forward a new UK Government Debt Management Bill to help ensure debt collection is fair in the long term. [Transferred] (127576)
- 5 **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the letter on Climate Assembly UK he received from six select committee Chairs dated 10 September 2020, whether he plans to publish a response before Christmas 2020 to the recommendations of Climate Assembly UK's report entitled, The Path to Net Zero, published on 10 September 2020. [Transferred] (127619)

- 6 **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how long on average Future Fund applications have taken to process. [Transferred] (128227)
- 7 **Ben Bradley** (Mansfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of funding allocated to the pupil premium to cover a potential increase in the number of pupils becoming eligible for free school meals in 2021. [Transferred] (128256)
- 8 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to promote the (a) use and (b) consumption of alternatives to palm oil by UK (i) businesses and (ii) consumers. [Transferred] (128231)
- 9N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress has been made in developing the framework for the 2021-25 Greening Government Commitments. [Transferred] (127632)
- 10N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans he has to include the business use of taxis and PHVs by the public sector in the next iteration of the Greening Government Commitments. [Transferred] (127633)
- 11N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of encouraging local authorities and Highways England to mark the historic boundaries of the County Palatine of Lancaster, which are still extant administrative boundaries for certain Duchy purposes, in accordance with section 3.47 of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016. [Transferred] (127499)
- 12N **Karen Bradley** (Staffordshire Moorlands): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the scope of support bubbles to allow elderly couples to form a support bubble with their family. [Transferred] (127544)
- 13 **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): 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 children's (a) mental health and (b) emotional resilience by region. [Transferred] (128166)
- 14 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that local authorities and hospitals have the resources they need to effectively support covid-19 vaccine rollout programme. (128725)
- 15 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what UK system will replace the EU's Anti-Counterfeit and Anti-Piracy System on 1 January 2021. [Transferred] (128122)

- 16 **Claudia Webbe** (Leicester East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking to tackle (a) illegal levels of pay, (b) furlough fraud, (c) double record keeping and (d) VAT fraud in Leicester's garment Industry. [Transferred] (128318)
- 17N **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of extending to six months the three month limit for tribunal applications for employees claiming to be the subject of sexual harassment. [Transferred] (127523)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 15 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Sir Graham Brady** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to his Department's 27 November 2020 policy document Transmission Risk in the Hospitality Sector, what proportion of hospitality businesses have been determined to have poor ventilation. (128627)
- 2 **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether negotiations have taken place on allowing residents in Northern Ireland to retain access to the European Health Insurance Card after the transition period. (128746)
- 3 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions he has held with representatives of the maritime industry about that industry's role in contributing towards the UK's Net Zero targets. (128657)
- 4 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions he has held with representatives of UK ports about upgrading their green infrastructure. (128658)
- 5 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what support his Department is providing to UK ports to deploy the green infrastructure necessary for increasing the UK's offshore wind capacity. (128659)
- 6 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions he has had with representatives of the UK maritime industry on his Department's support for clean maritime. (128660)
- 7 **Sir Graham Brady** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what guidance his Department has issued for businesses in the hospitality sector that wish to improve ventilation within their properties in order to expedite covid-safe reopening. (128623)

- 8 **Sir Graham Brady** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department plans to update the ventilation standards for buildings in response to the covid-19 outbreak. (128624)
- 9 **Sir Graham Brady** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department plans to update the guidance on ventilation for businesses in the hospitality sector in the context of the covid-19 outbreak. (128625)
- 10 **Sir Graham Brady** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if his Department will make a comparative assessment of the ventilation standards in buildings in the UK and (a) the United States, (b) Vietnam and (c) South Korea in the context of the covid-19 pandemic. (128626)
- 11 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the effect on levels of food waste of the guidance on serving alcohol only with a substantial meal. (128654)
- 12 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing policies to ensure that food served as a substantial meal with alcohol is not wasted. (128655)
- 13 **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of permitting tier 3 residents to travel to non-social commercial and business appointments in tier 2 areas. (128701)
- 14 **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 13 October 2020 to Question 98870, how many proposed redundancies were indicated on HR1 forms received by the Redundancy Payments Service in (a) October and (b) November 2020. (128617)
- 15 **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department plans to provide financial support to the planned new Britishvolt factory in Blyth. (128707)
- 16 **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has had discussions with representatives of Britishvolt on its planned factory in Blyth. (128708)
- 17 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of Kickstart Money's live virtual financial education sessions delivered by MyBnk to help ensure financial education continues in schools during the covid-19 outbreak. (128663)

- 18 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to recommendation made in April 2016 by the APPG on Financial Education for Young People, what progress his Department has made on developing the delivery of financial education at a primary level; and if he will make a statement. (128664)
- 19 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of early intervention financial education at a primary level; and if he will make a statement. (128665)
- 20 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will introduce a date for banning the use of all single-use non-essential plastic items. (128734)
- 21 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the merits of requiring all (a) cleaning product and (b) food containers to be reusable. (128735)
- 22 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the amount of fresh food sold in the UK (a) with and (b) without plastic packaging. (128736)
- 23 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what funds he will make available for local authorities to invest in public water fountains and refill stations. (128737)
- 24 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effect of the provision of drinking water fountains on reducing the use of single-use plastic water bottles in the last 10 years. (128738)
- 25 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the increase in export health certificates that will be required to allow the continuation of UK meat and dairy exports to the EU after the transition period. (128679)
- 26 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate his Department has made of the number of vets that will be required to manage the potential increase in export health certificates after the transition period. (128680)
- 27 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many UK vets are qualified to approve export health certificates; and what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the number of vets to meet demand after the transition period. (128681)
- 28 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential effect of a shortage of vets for signing export health certificates on UK meat and dairy exports to the EU after the transition period. (128682)

- 29 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps the Government is taking to (a) increase certification resource and (b) simplify the export process to help ensure an adequate number of vets to certify exports of meat and dairy to the EU after the transition period. (128683)
- 30 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of increasing the (a) number of Certification Support Officers (CSO) and (b) volume of work undertaken by CSOs in order to support Official Veterinarians with a potential increase in export health certificates after the transition period. (128684)
- 31 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment the Government has made of the extent of potential food shortages after the transition period (a) with and (b) without agreement on the future relationship with the EU. (128685)
- 32 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment the Government has made of the extent of potential food price rises after the transition period (a) with and (b) without agreement on the future relationship with the EU. (128686)
- 33 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment the Government has made of the effect of potential (a) increased haulage costs and (b) disruption at the port of Felixstowe on UK food supplies after the transition period. (128687)
- 34 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the effect on UK meat and dairy exporters of not prioritising perishable food at ports after the transition period. (128688)
- 35 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the six working day time period after the meeting of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed on 18 December 2020 for UK companies exporting food to the EU to implement new systems and IT upgrades in preparation for the end of the transition period. (128689)
- 36 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to (a) improve road safety for pedestrians and (b) tackle pavement parking. (128729)
- 37 **Douglas Chapman** (Dunfermline and West Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment the Government has made of the potential role of maritime decarbonisation in reaching net zero emissions. [Transferred] (128189)

- 38 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to promote the UK as a destination for life sciences innovation, in the context of the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) becoming the first regulator to approve the mRNA vaccine for covid-19 on 2 December 2020. (128730)
- 39 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure the (a) economic and (b) societal effects of medical treatments are taken into account when assessing medicines, in the context of the approval and procurement of covid-19 vaccine candidates. (128731)
- 40 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether consultations of stakeholders conducted by the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) may address policy and affordability issues, in the context of NICE's duty to promote innovation. (128732)
- 41 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to increase public awareness of the risks of chewing (a) tobacco and (b) paan among the Indian community. (128666)
- 42 **Sir Graham Brady** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to Answer of 20 October to Question 102756, what proportion of businesses within the hospitality sector meet SAGE standards for ventilation; and how many of those are in areas currently under Tier 3 restrictions. (128619)
- 43 **Sir Graham Brady** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department the effect of far-field aerosol transmission of covid-19 in venues that have ventilation levels of 10 litres of fresh air per person per second. (128620)
- 44 **Sir Graham Brady** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the level of fresh air per person per second required to limit the transmission of covid-19. (128621)
- 45 **Sir Graham Brady** (Altrincham and Sale West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with businesses within the hospitality sector on ventilation in venues in the last six months. (128622)
- 46 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to make the covid-19 vaccination mandatory. (128724)
- 47 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department made of the effect of cultural sensitivities on the implementation of covid-19 restrictions on days of (a) cultural or (b) religious celebrations. (128629)

- 48 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to support adults with long-term (a) physical and (b) mental health problems as a result of (a) covid-19 lockdowns and (b) remote working. (128630)
- 49 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to ensure that healthcare workers have the covid-19 inoculation. (128631)
- 50 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the covid-19 inoculation will be compulsory for (a) healthcare workers and (b) the public. (128632)
- 51 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure the public receive the covid-19 inoculation once it is available to each demographic. (128633)
- 52 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to communicate the importance of the covid-19 inoculation to different (a) age, (b) ethnic, (c) race, (d) gender, (e) religious and (f) socio-economic groups. (128634)
- 53 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 9 December 2020 to Question 109428 on Test and Trace Support Payment scheme, for what reason information on (a) the number of applications, (b) the number of successful applications and (c) amounts paid out has not been published. (128692)
- 54 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent representations he has made alongside international counterparts to the UN Relief and Works Agency regarding its working definition of a refugee. (128661)
- 55 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the UN Relief and Works Agency's working definition of a Palestinian refugee. (128662)
- 56 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the news release entitled China: Big Data Program Targets Xinjiang's Muslims published on 9 December 2020, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies on human rights abuses in China of the reported use by Chinese authorities of information in the (a) Aksu and (b) Karakax lists of Uighur detainees. (128653)
- 57N **Alex Davies-Jones** (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the effect of the end of the transition period on UK citizens' ability to travel to the EU from 1 January 2021; and if he will make a statement. [Transferred] (128323)

- 58 **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help ensure that the Colombian peace agreement is upheld. (128618)
- 59 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment her Department has made of the potential barriers to restarting the UK's refugee resettlement scheme. (128670)
- 60 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will increase the UK's resettlement target in 2021 in response to the reduced number of refugees resettled in 2020. (128671)
- 61 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions she has had with her international counterparts on increasing the global number of refugee resettlement places. (128672)
- 62 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish a breakdown of immigration enforcement visit statistics for the last 12 months by (a) location, (b) nationality, (c) ethnicity and (d) resultant arrests. (128743)
- 63 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish data on immigration enforcement visits on a regular basis by (a) location, (b) nationality and (c) ethnicity. (128744)
- 64 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent discussions he has had with mortgage providers on automatic movement onto variable rate terms for people who are unable to remortgage due to outstanding fire safety issues, with regard to the affordability of those variable rate terms. (128642)
- 65 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what discussions he has had with housing providers who offer shared ownership in buildings where there are outstanding fire safety issues, in relation to the (a) ability of their residents to sell their share, (b) liability of shared owners for remediation payments, (c) ability of shared owners to sub-let and (d) ability of shared owners to buy the remainder of the leasehold. (128643)
- 66 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what advice his Department is providing to social housing providers that offer shared ownership in buildings where there are outstanding fire safety issues, in relation to liability for remediation costs for (a) the provider and (b) individual shared owners. (128644)
- 67 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, how many and what proportion of insurance claims made since July 2017 against developers' insurance for remediation costs relating to fire safety issues have been successful, in cases where defects have been accepted by developers. (128645)

- 68 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what liability exists for surveyors who failed to identify and report building defects that created fire risks in breach of building regulations in force at the time of the surveyor's inspection and which were identified only later. (128646)
- 69 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate he has made of the number of people who have become homeless since March 2020 in (a) Slough and (b) England. (128715)
- 70 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimates she has made of the number of people who are living in temporary accommodation in (a) Slough and (b) England. (128716)
- 71 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate he has made of the number of children in temporary accommodation in (a) Slough and (b) England. (128717)
- 72 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent steps he has taken to reduce the number of homeless people in (a) Slough and (b) England. (128718)
- 73N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether the traditional boundary of the County Palatine of Lancaster is extant; and what effect the Local Government Acts (a) 1888, (b) 1929 and (c) 1972 have on that County Palatine in relation to (i) Audenshaw, (ii) Denton, (ii) Reddish, (iv) Heaton Chapel and (v) Heaton Norris. [Transferred] (128098)
- 74 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans he has to (a) write off tenants' rent arrears and (b) provide financial assistance to help tenants pay rent arrears accrued due to loss of earnings during the covid-19 outbreak. (128742)
- 75 **Caroline Nokes** (Romsey and Southampton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, by what date he plans to bring forward legislative proposals on leasehold reform. (128668)
- 76 **Caroline Nokes** (Romsey and Southampton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, by what date the New Homes Ombudsman will be established and taking on cases. (128669)
- 77 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to (a) cap increases to (i) service charges and (ii) management agent fees payable by owners of leasehold

properties and (b) to prevent freeholders of shared ownership properties from using funds from leasehold service charges to pay legal fees for defending action taken by leaseholders; and if he will make a statement. (128616)

78 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what is the (a) longest, (b) median, and c) seventy-fifth percentile length of time spent in custody on remand for (i) adult females, (ii) adult males, (iii) young people in custody on 4 November 2020. (128641)

79 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies on the implementation of the Female Offender Strategy of the analysis of imprisonment rates for women in 2019 by police service area, published by the Prison Reform Trust on 10 December 2020. (128652)

80 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Answer of 29 November 2017 to Question 115096 on Revenue and Customs: Disability, what recent assessment has he made of whether HMRC's Regional Centre at 14 Westfield Avenue, Stratford, London E20 (a) meets and (b) exceeds the 2009 British Standard 8300. (128647)

81 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Answer of 29 November 2017 to Question 115096 on Revenue and Customs: Disability, what steps HMRC to to help ensure the design of its Regional Centre at 14 Westfield Avenue, Stratford, London E20 met the 2009 British Standard 8300 in full. (128648)

82 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Answer of 29 November 2017 to Question 115096 on Revenue and Customs: Disability, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the number of evacuation lifts at HMRC's Regional Centre at 14 Westfield Avenue, Stratford, London E20 in providing for evacuation of staff and visitors in accordance with the 2009 British Standard 8300. (128649)

83 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Answer of 29 November 2017 to Question 115096 on Revenue and Customs: Disability, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of provision of accessible car parking for disabled staff and visitors at HMRC's Regional Centre at 14 Westfield Avenue, Stratford, London E20 in meeting the requirements of the 2009 British Standard 8300. (128650)

84 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Answer of 29 November 2017 to Question 115096 on Revenue and Customs: Disability, whether HMRC's Regional Centre at 14 Westfield Avenue, Stratford, London E20 will have a covered setting-down point in accordance with clause 4 of the 2009 British Standard 8300. (128651)

- 85 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when Government grants to support local areas will made to those local authorities that went into Tier 3 prior to the November 2020 covid-19 lockdown. (128628)
- 86N **Rachel Reeves** (Leeds West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office's oral contribution of 9 December 2020, Official Report, column 852, and the letter of the hon. Member for Leeds West of 3 December 2020, how many of the 50,000 customs agents needed for the end of the transition period are ready to begin their duties on 1 January 2021. [Transferred] (128136)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 16 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Claire Hanna** (Belfast South): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what progress he has made on negotiations for an equivalent scheme to replace EHIC cards when they expire on 31 December 2020. (128745)
- 2N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, pursuant to the Answer of 10 December 2020 to Question 125956, whether the Commissioners in collaboration with the Land Registry has conducted a land survey of land assets held by the Church of England. (128638)
- 3N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, pursuant to the Answer of 10 December 2020 to Question 125956, whether the Commissioners have made an assessment of the level of compliance with the Land Registration Act 2002 of their policy on digitally mapped Church land assets. (128639)
- 4N **Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made a decision on funding a Clean Fuels Metrology Centre, and if he will make a statement. (128697)
- 5N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans he has to extend the provisions made under the Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act 2020 to cover (a) the holding of AGMs and (b) other aspects co-operative society governance. (128709)
- 6N **Anne Marie Morris** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions he has had with representatives from the banking sector on extending the business loan repayment holiday for the duration of the covid-19 outbreak. (128677)

- 7N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, in the event that the UK's participates in the EU Horizon programme after the transition period, how that participation will be funded. (128674)
- 8N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment he has made of the effect of the Government's fiscal policy on the continued operation of local newspapers. (128721)
- 9N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the financial support available to local newspapers during the covid-19 outbreak. (128722)
- 10N **Tommy Sheppard** (Edinburgh East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what representations he has made to FIFA on the reported deaths of workers during the building of infrastructure for the Qatar 2022 world cup. (128696)
- 11N **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to ensure that universities provide Kosher food options to Jewish students who have been forced to self-isolate due to the covid-19 outbreak. (128741)
- 12N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many Intra Trade Animal Health Certificates were issued for cats entering the UK in each month from January 2019 to November 2020. (128739)
- 13N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what restrictions his Department will place on the use of PFAS chemicals to ensure the protection of the UK's health and environment after the transition period. (128710)
- 14N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to reduce the level of sewage spills into the River Tyne. (128676)
- 15N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many grants have been distributed under the Property Flood Resilience Scheme since November 2019. (128726)
- 16N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many applications for grants under the Property Flood Resilience Scheme remain outstanding. (128727)
- 17N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much funding has been allocated to the Property Flood Resilience Scheme. (128728)

- 18N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what assessment she has made for the implications of her policy of her policies of the report from the UN Group of Experts on Yemen on its decision to resume the sale of arms to Saudi Arabia. (128711)
- 19N **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to respond to the letters from the RSPB sent on 3 March 2020 and 11 May 2020 requesting assurances on six measures to protect nature. (128733)
- 20N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the number of trains on the UK network with built-in ramps which extend to platforms. (128719)
- 21N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to increase the capacity of bike storage facilities on trains in the context of increased uptake of cycling during the covid-19 outbreak. (128720)
- 22N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of the operational effect on rail freight of ending the transition period without a deal with the EU. (128723)
- 23N **Duncan Baker** (North Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether people with settled status need to prove their status before they can receive the covid-19 vaccine. (128740)
- 24N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to prioritise funeral directors and staff for the covid-19 vaccine alongside health and care home staff. (128673)
- 25N **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the (a) total cost and (b) cost per month was of his Department's contracts for private sector capacity in each month since 1 June 2020. (128690)
- 26N **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate his Department has made of the number of (a) patients seen, (b) day cases, (c) outpatient appointments, (d) diagnostic tests, (e) chemotherapy appointments and (f) elective admissions under Government-agreed contracts for private sector capacity in each month since 1 June 2020. (128691)
- 27N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to Lord Bethell's answer in the other place of 23 January 2020, Official report volume 801, column 1154, further to what steps he is taking to progress of the review into hymenoplasty. (128712)
- 28N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how people who have had the covid-19 vaccine will be tracked; and how that information will be shared with GPs. (128675)

- 29N **Karl Turner** (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the evidential basis was for his decision (a) to implement mass covid-19 testing of secondary school pupils in London and the South-East and (b) not to implement that testing in (i) Yorkshire and the Humber and (ii) other regions of England. (128667)
- 30N **Mr Andrew Mitchell** (Sutton Coldfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when he will publish the Order in Council in relation to public registers of beneficial ownership of companies registered in British Overseas Territories. (128635)
- 31N **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, what his policy is on the principle of self-determination to determine the status of territories subject to the process of decolonisation. (128714)
- 32N **Tommy Sheppard** (Edinburgh East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the capacity of hospitals in Gaza to provide adequate oxygen for patients with covid-19 during the recent rise in cases. (128693)
- 33N **Tommy Sheppard** (Edinburgh East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the effect of the increasing rates of covid-19 infection on the humanitarian situation in Gaza. (128694)
- 34N **Tommy Sheppard** (Edinburgh East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations he has made to the Israeli Authorities on the death of Ali Abu Alia, a 15 year old boy, in the West Bank; and what steps his Department is taking to help protect children living in the occupied Palestinian territories. (128695)
- 35N **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to include survivors' voices when designing and delivering its response to modern slavery. (128678)
- 36N **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 9 December 2020 to Question 125288, what steps she plans to take to determine whether the durable partnership was formed before 31 December 2020. (128713)
- 37N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many incidents of self-harm have occurred at (a) Penally training camp and (b) Napier barracks since September 2020. (128703)
- 38N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish the scoping exercises which were used to assess the suitability of the Penally training camp in Pembrokeshire as a temporary accommodation site for asylum seekers in (a) 2015-2016 and (b) 2020. (128704)

- 39N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with Secretary of State for Defence on the suitability of the Penally training camp as a site for temporary accommodation for asylum seekers in (a) 2015-2016 and (b) 2020. (128705)
- 40N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether asylum seekers (a) have been or (b) will be transferred to the temporary Penally accommodation site from areas in England under tiers 2 or 3 covid-19 restrictions at the time of their transfer. (128706)
- 41N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 10 December 2020 to Question 125980, what estimate her Department has made of the number of people who will be affected by the new Immigration Rules which make rough sleeping grounds for refusing or cancelling a person's permission to be in the UK. (128656)
- 42N **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Biometric Residence Permit Cards enquiry forms were (a) received and (b) answered within the five day working day target in November 2020. (128636)
- 43N **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department has taken to improve the (a) production and (b) delivery times of Biometric Residence Permit Cards since the 1 of November 2020. (128637)
- 44N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that mortgage lenders do not request EWS1 forms for flats in blocks of three storeys or less. (128640)
- 45N **Peter Kyle** (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of rolling out the Sexual Violence Complainants' Advocate Scheme, piloted in Northumbria under the Home Office Violence Against Women & Girls Service Transformation Fund. (128702)
- 46N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate he has made of the number of NHS staff who have been called for jury service during the covid-19 outbreak; and if he will exempt NHS staff from jury service during the covid-19 outbreak. (128700)
- 47N **Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December 2020 to Question 124786 on Customs: ICT, for what reason the C1800 CHIEF badge application forms are not accessible on the Gov.uk website; when they will be available on that website; and if he will make a statement. (128698)

48N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will (a) instruct HMRC to use the Construction Insurance Scheme records they hold to verify the employment status of people in the construction industry who became self-employed in the 2019-20 financial year and (b) permit those people to make a claim under the Coronavirus Self-Employment Income Support Scheme. (128699)