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Questions tabled on Wednesday 13 January 2021

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Questions for Answer on Thursday 14 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will publish updates to Procurement Policy Notices (PPN) 02/20 and 04/20: Supplier relief due to coronavirus (COVID-19) additional sector guidance for state funded schools, which expired on 30 June 2020 and 31 October 2020 respectively.

 [Transferred] (136063)
- Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps the Department is taking to ensure that all sub-contractors working on taxpayer funded infrastructure projects are paid promptly and fairly by the main project contractors. [Transferred] (136666)
- Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps the Government is taking in response to GB exports of steel to NI being subject to EU safeguards.

[Transferred] (136672)

4N **Jon Trickett** (Hemsworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many people suffering from (a) chronic bronchitis, (b) emphysema or (c) pneumoconiosis have died from covid-19.

[Transferred] (135810)

- Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to monitor the number of covid-19 financial support applications made to local authorities that are (a) approved and (b) declined.

 [Transferred] (136604)
- 6 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make it Government policy to close click and collect services as a result of the covid-19 outbreak. [Transferred] (136649)
- 7 Taiwo Owatemi (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with the Government's coronavirus taskforce on the (a) potential merits of ceasing all work on construction sites and (b) ensuring that companies are supported to ensure construction workers are furloughed during the high level of transmission of covid-19.

 [Transferred] (136627)
- Damian Hinds (East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what information his Department holds on trends in the level of (a) original programming hours and (b) broadcast hours of (i) programmes for schools and colleges and (ii) other educational content for school-age children on (A) the BBC, (B) ITV and (C) other broadcasters.
- 9 Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps are being taken to reduce the risk of covid-19 infection for food bank (a) teams and (b) users. [Transferred] (136544)
- Mr Kevan Jones (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, on what date the Government decided not to pursue membership of the Erasmus Scheme as part of the UK's future relationship with the EU. [Transferred] (136453)
- 11 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the covid-19 security practices of supermarkets compared with the first lockdown; and what additional steps he plans to advise supermarkets to take to reduce the risk of infection of (a) staff and (b) customers.

 [Transferred] (136562)
- Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much of the £170 million Covid Winter Grant Scheme available to local authorities in England has been allocated to (a) people in need directly in cash grants and vouchers and (b) emergency food aid charities. [Transferred] (136543)
- 13N Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Secretary of State for Justice's oral answer of 8 December 2020, Official Report, column 710, how many and what proportion of (a) prison staff and (b) prisoners have been vaccinated against covid-19; and if he will make a statement.

 [Transferred] (136058)

Neil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2021 to Question 130094, how many and what proportion of the 29,000 people housed through the Everyone In scheme were subject to No Recourse to Public Funds restrictions.

[Transferred] (136542)

Questions for Answer on Monday 18 January

Questions for Written Answer

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- 1N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will extend the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to private companies contracted to deliver public services; and if he will make a statement. (137292)
- 2N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of recent trends in the rate of unemployment among veterans. [Transferred] (136443)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps his Department is taking to help prevent suicide among veterans.

 [Transferred] (136444)
- 4N Anne Marie Morris (Newton Abbot): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will ensure that what is guidance and what is law in relation to covid-19 restrictions is clearly determined on the Gov.uk website.

 (137212)
- Holly Mumby-Croft (Scunthorpe): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to improve and clarify the customs process for companies moving products from Great Britain to Northern Ireland.
- Holly Mumby-Croft (Scunthorpe): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what progress he has made in negotiations to raise UK quotas within the EU safeguards to account for the additional steel moved from Great Britain to Northern Ireland. (137356)
- 7 Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps the Government is taking to ensure the removal of tariffs and quotas placed on steel movements from Great Britain to Northern Ireland. (137352)

- 8 Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what progress has been made in negotiations to raise UK quotas within the EU safeguards to account for the additional steel moved from Great Britain to Northern Ireland. (137353)
- 9 Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps the Government is taking to improve and clarify the customs process for companies moving product from Great Britain to Northern Ireland. (137354)
- 10 **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what progress the Government is making on the publication of the Dunlop Review on the UK Government's Union capability. (137138)
- 11 **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what discussions he has had with the Welsh Government on the Dunlop Review on the UK Government's Union capability. (137139)
- 12N **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Minister of State for the Constitution and Devolution's statement on 13 January, what is the definition of a high bar for a potential delay to the May 2021 elections. (137140)
- 13N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with Post Office Ltd on support for sub post offices during the covid-19 lockdown announced in January 2021. (137172)
- Sir David Evennett (Bexleyheath and Crayford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what support his Department is providing to businesses that are adversely affected by the covid-19 lockdown announced in January 2021. (137136)
- 15N **Gill Furniss** (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what estimate his Department has made of the amount of carbon dioxide was emitted in the Sheffield City Region in (a) April and (b) December 2020.
- 16N Chris Grayling (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what obligation energy providers have to offer a service to business customers. (137142)
- Daniel Kawczynski (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what financial and other support is available for clubs that support vulnerable children and provide essential childcare for key worker families. (137166)

- Daniel Kawczynski (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether it is his policy to differentiate between holiday and school clubs and clubs that care for vulnerable children; and whether he plans to provide specific support to those clubs. (137167)
- Jack Lopresti (Filton and Bradley Stoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what funding is available for (a) the port of Bristol and (b) other free ports now that the UK has left the EU. (137181)
- 20N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many and what proportion of eligible businesses have received (a) Local Restrictions Support Grants and (b) the one-off grants announced in January 2021. (137175)
- 21N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will publish regular updates on how many and what proportion of eligible businesses have received the (a) Local Restrictions Support Grants and b) the one-off grants announced in January 2021. (137176)
- 22N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how his Department is monitoring the extent to which local authorities are paying available grants to eligible businesses for periods (a) during covid-19 lockdown and (b) when a tier system of covid-19 restrictions was in place.

 (137177)
- 23N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what remedial action is being taken where local authorities are not paying grants to eligible businesses for periods of (a) covid-19 lockdown and (b) when a tier system of covid-19 restrictions was in place. (137178)
- 24N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make it his policy to require mandatory labelling of firework packaging with information about the noise level of the firework. (137273)
- 25 Ian Paisley (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December 2020 to Question 122697 on Coronavirus: Vaccination, how much funding his Department plans to allocate towards vaccine research that does not involve human fetal tissue in its development, production and laboratory testing in 2021; and whether his Department has plans to increase the level of such funding in future years. (137201)
- 26 Ian Paisley (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December 2020 to Question 122697 on Coronavirus: Vaccination, how much funding his Department allocated towards vaccine research that did not involve aborted human fetal tissue in its development, production and laboratory testing in each of the last five years. (137202)

- 27N Lucy Powell (Manchester Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business,
 Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many proposed redundancies were indicated
 on HR1 forms received by the Redundancy Payments Service in each month since
 January 2019. (137217)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to help support car sales during the covid-19 outbreak. (137211)
- 29N **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what scientific evidence his Department is using to guide the decision to allow estate agent offices to remain open to staff during the January 2021 covid-19 lockdown restrictions. (137260)
- 30 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions he has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on establishing an alternative to Creative Europe. (137194)
- Paul Blomfield (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital,
 Culture, Media and Sport, what plans his Department has to replace funding from
 Creative Europe provided to the UK creative industries. (137195)
- 32N **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital,
 Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions he has had with the Home
 Secretary on improving the movement rights of musicians and performers to work
 in the EU.

 (137196)
- Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture,
 Media and Sport, if he will take steps to ensure the inclusion of creative
 professionals on the list of self-employed professionals eligible for visa-free travel
 for work purposes within the EU.

 (137345)
- Neale Hanvey (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if he will extend the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme beyond 31 March 2021. (137326)
- 35N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what plans his Department has to encourage gym usage once public health restrictions are lifted. [Transferred] (136522)
- Marco Longhi (Dudley North): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, when he plans to publish the outcome and data of the consultation on decriminalising TV licence evasion, which closed on 1 April 2020.

 (137331)
- 37 **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress the Government has made on mass lateral flow testing of university students; and if he will make a statement. [R] (137198)

- Paul Blomfield (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to (a) replace opportunities for students from the EU to study and train in the UK and (b) extend those opportunities to other countries after the UK's withdrawal from the Erasmus+ programme. (137192)
- 39 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when the Turing Scheme will be open for applications. (137193)
- 40 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what dicussions he plans to have with Chartwells UK on the adequacy of food parcels supplied to families eligible for free school meals. (137134)
- 41N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when he will set a budget for the next phase of the Uni Connect scheme; and if he will make a statement.

 (137130)
- 42N **Maria Eagle** (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will publish a Letter of Strategic Direction to the Office for Students in respect of the next phase of the Uni Connect programme; and if he will make a statement.

 (137131)
- 43N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what discussions the Office for Students has had with Shaping Futures, the Liverpool City Region arm of the Uni-Connect programme, on what budget it can expect to have for the next phase of the programme from August 2021. (137132)
- 44N Maria Eagle (Garston and Halewood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many G4 routers have been supplied to schools in Garson and Halewood constituency to help families who do not have affordable broadband or data to access online learning during the January 2021 covid-19 lockdown. (137133)
- 45 **Sir David Evennett** (Bexleyheath and Crayford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment his Department has made of the effect of school closures during the covid-19 outbreak on social mobility. (137137)
- 46N Andrew Gwynne (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will extend the provisions of The School Admissions (England) (Coronavirus) (Appeals Arrangements) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 beyond the expiry date of 31 January 2021.
- 47N Andrew Gwynne (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of reforming the schools appeals process in line with the temporary changes during the covid-19 outbreak.

 (137157)
- 48N Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the proposed taskforce on the mental health challenges facing pupils, students and staff throughout the education sector, announced at the Education Committee hearing of 13 January 2021 on the impact of covid-19 on education and children's services, what the planned timescale is

for the establishment of that taskforce; what the remit will be of that taskforce; whether representatives of staff unions will be invited on to that taskforce; how pupils and students will be represented on that taskforce; and when that taskforce will make recommendations.

(137289)

- 49N **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what further support he plans to provide to support the mental health challenges facing pupils, students and staff throughout the education sector prior to recommendations from the proposed taskforce announced at the Education Committee hearing of 13 January 2021 on the impact of covid-19 on education and children's services.
- Mike Hill (Hartlepool): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that home-schooled children are able to receive grades for (a) GCSE, (b) iGCSE and (c) A-Level examinations in the same way as children in the main school system. (137288)
- 51N **Kate Hollern** (Blackburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many (a) pupils are eligible for digital devices and (b) digital devices have (i) been and (ii) yet to be delivered in each region. (137223)
- Kim Johnson (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of making free school meals vouchers to be exchangeable at community food unions and food pantries to allow greater quantities and quality of food to be available to families in financial difficulties.
- Daniel Kawczynski (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of per pupil funding in primary schools.

 (137168)
- 54N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what companies have been awarded contracts to deliver free school meals during school closures; and what the value is of each contract. (137220)
- 55N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many laptops have been (a) ordered and (b) delivered from the Government scheme to support online remote learning for (i) primary schools and (ii) secondary schools in each region of England in January 2021. (137216)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to encourage all schools to routinely offer every child eligible for free school meals attending school a hot meal each school day during the covid-19 lockdown that has been in place since 5 January 2021.
- 57N **Alison McGovern** (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to monitor Chartwell UK's progress in delivering the free school meals programme. (137200)

- 58N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many apprentices are awaiting their End-Point Assessment and unable to complete their apprenticeship. (137173)
- 59N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what alternative arrangements he has made for apprentices who are unable to undertake End-Point Assessments. (137174)
- 60N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, on what date he estimates that every child in need of a device for remote learning will have adequate access such a device during the January 2021 covid-19 lockdown.
- 61 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with referee to the announcement of a national covid-19 national lockdown from January 2021, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure the financial stability of pre-school providers. (137125)
- Mr Barry Sheerman (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the national covid-19 lockdown commenced in January 2021, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure the financial stability of childminding providers.

 (137126)
- Tulip Siddiq (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department plans to provide financial support to university students who have been unable to return to their student accommodation due to the covid-19 lockdown restrictions implemented on 5 January 2021. (137258)
- 64N **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding Edenred has received to deliver the national free school meal voucher scheme in 2020. (137259)
- 65N Jane Stevenson (Wolverhampton North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to roll out lateral flow tests to childminders and early years settings. (137312)
- 66N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department has made an assessment of to what extent the interest payable on student loans is a potential barrier to Muslim students. (137261)
- Mick Whitley (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what his Department's policy is on (a) tuition fees refunds for university students who are participating in remote learning during the covid-19 outbreak and (b) rent rebates for university students who are not able to return to university accommodation.

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- Mick Whitley (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will meet with (a) university leaders and (b) student representatives to discuss (i) tuition fees refunds for university students who are participating in remote learning during the covid-19 outbreak and (ii) rent rebates for university students who are not able to return to university accommodation. (137318)
- 69N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has received representations and information on businesses needing clarification of whether they require an EHC for exports to Northern Ireland and the EU which contain processed animal protein including milk products, gelatine, hydrolysed proteins, eggs, dicalcium phosphate and collagen; and whether he is taking steps to support those businesses. (137309)
- 70N Patrick Grady (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment,
 Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the financial cost to pet
 owners making multiple trips between Northern Ireland and Scotland, England or
 Wales of having to obtain a new animal health certificate on each journey. (137233)
- 71N Patrick Grady (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment,
 Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of
 extending the validity of animal health certificates for those travelling between
 Northern Ireland and Scotland, England or Wales to (a) allow multiple trips and
 (b) allow more than ten days before travel.
- 72N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, for what reason the Government has opted not to adopt EU regulations banning the export of plastic waste to non-OECD countries; and what assessment he has made of the effect of that matter on the Government's wider commitment not to regress on environmental standards after the UK left the EU.
- Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the amount of plastic waste (a) exported to non-OECD countries by the UK in each year since 2016 and (b) that will be exported to non-OECD countries by the UK in 2021. (137254)
- 74N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his Department's timeframe is for the publication of the Review of the Evidence for Sentience in Decapod Crustaceans and Cephalopod Molluscs report. (137154)
- 75N Anne Marie Morris (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of offering Government funding to support the (a) establishment of and (b) operation of existing small abattoirs. (137214)
- 76N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of allowing hemp farming in the UK. (137274)

- 77 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many organisations have received support from the Zoo Animals Fund; and if he will publish a full list of recipients of funding from that Fund.

 (137152)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether (a) zoos, (b) aquariums, (c) safari parks and (d) other organisations that manage or preserve natural habitats and species are eligible for funding from the Cultural Recovery Fund. (137153)
- 79 **Lee Rowley** (North East Derbyshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans his Department has to help reduce and discourage littering on roads and major highways. (137293)
- 80N Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will publish the advice it received from (a) the Health and Safety Executive, (b) the UK Expert Committee on Pesticides and (c) his Department's Chief Scientific Adviser prior to making the decision to issue an emergency authorisation to use products containing neonicotinoids to treat sugar beet seed in 2021.
- 81N Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what advice and information his Department received from (a) the Health and Safety Executive, (b) the UK Expert Committee on Pesticides and (c) his Department's Chief Scientific Adviser which led him to conclude that the application for an emergency authorisation to use products containing neonicotinoids to treat sugar beet seed in 2021 should be granted. (137226)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what recent steps she has taken to improve trade with African countries. (137209)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether her Department has held discussions with Procter and Gamble on increasing trade with China. (137210)
- 84N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 14 December 2020 to Question 127536, if she will publish a full list of the Thematic Working Groups established by the Government to include the (a) membership and (b) terms of reference of each group and (c) dates on which those groups have so far met. (137160)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2021 to Question 131410 on South Western Railway: Rolling Stock, what the proposed timeline is for the South Western Railway Class 455, 456, 458 and 707 fleet leaving the operator; and when the new Class 701 will be open for passenger service.

- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans he has to make the rail network more accessible to those who have (a) autism and (b) other hidden disabilities. (137281)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2021 to Question 133125 on Railways:

 Repairs and Maintenance, what discussions he has had with stakeholders to minimise the cost to the public purse of future engineering works. (137282)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2021 to Question 130811 on Railways: Fares, what the cost to the public purse is of keeping trains running during the covid-19 outbreak.
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2021 to Question 133116 on Railways: Coronavirus, what measures his Department introduced to ensure the safety of railway staff on Saturday 19 December 2020. (137284)
- 90 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2021 to Question 133116 on Railways: Coronavirus, what assessment he has made of the effect on the number of passengers who travelled by train on Saturday 19 December 2020 of the Government's announcement of Tier 4 on that day. (137285)
- 91 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2021 to Question 131401 on Railways: Quarantine, if he will make it his policy to publish sector wide data on the number of railway staff members self-isolating due to covid-19 on a regular basis. (137286)
- 92N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will extend driving theory test certificates expiring in 2020-21 by 12 months due to the covid-19 outbreak. (137171)
- 93 Marco Longhi (Dudley North): 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 in Dudley North constituency. (137336)
- 94N lan Mearns (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the increased shipping costs for businesses in the UK importing products from Taiwan using shipping containers, and what steps he is taking to reduce the cost to those businesses. (137182)
- 95 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans he has to encourage local authorities to improve the approval rate of blue badge applications for people with hidden disabilities. (137296)
- 96 **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the Government's tax-free childcare scheme. (137162)

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- 97 **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what security measures her Department has put in place to secure funds that members of the public have deposited in tax-free childcare accounts. (137163)
- 98 Rosie Cooper (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the options available to a customer whose funds have gone missing after deposit into their tax-free childcare account. (137164)
- 99N Lilian Greenwood (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many young people have (a) applied for and (b) started a Kickstart scheme placement in (i) Nottingham, (ii) East Midlands and (iii) the UK. (137183)
- 100 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the effect of the universal credit monthly assessment period on the financial stability of claimants. (137327)
- 101NJustin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 11 December 2020 to Question 122760 on the Kickstart scheme, how many organisations in each region have applied to be representatives of the Kickstart scheme since that scheme was launched on 2 September 2020.
- 102NSeema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the eligibility criteria of the benefit cap grace period. (137215)
- 103 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent estimate she has made of the number of people eligible for the Severe Disability Premium Gateway that have been unable to claim as their redundancy fell outside of the one month qualification period in (a) the UK (b) Hampshire and (c) Portsmouth South constituency.
- 104 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what plans she has to uprate legacy benefits. (137295)
- 105NSarah Owen (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will publish data on the number of people in (a) Luton and in (b) Luton North who have received the Test and Trace isolation payment. (137324)
- 106 **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to include coal miners in the prescription and guidance for D11 primary carcinoma of the lung where there is accompanying silicosis. (137279)
- 107NBell Ribeiro-Addy (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending cold weather payments to cover all UK postcodes. (137319)

- 108 **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2021 to Question 133744 on Personal Independence Payment: Coronavirus, for what reasons claimants are being advised by a private firm contracted by her Department that timescales are not in place to due to the covid-19.
- 109 **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what timescales her Department has set for private contracted firms to complete assessments of personal independence payments. (137277)
- 110 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking in response to reports of a lack of postabortion care in the case of home abortions. (137337)
- Scott Benton (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what representations his Department has received on the effect of the Government's decision to allow self-administered medical abortions at home without in-person consultation on the ability of (a) women to provide informed consent and (b) medical professionals to assess whether informed consent has been given in those circumstances.
- 112N Olivia Blake (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that people traveling in Europe who require it will continue to be able to access kidney dialysis treatment free of charge, following the UK's withdrawal from the European Health Insurance Card system.
- 113N Olivia Blake (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether staff working with people who have been sleeping rough are in the top four priority groups to receive the covid-19 vaccine and included in the category of frontline health and social care workers. (137348)
- 114N Olivia Blake (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to identify and deliver the covid-19 vaccine to people who have been sleeping rough.

 (137349)
- 115N Olivia Blake (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to extend the mobile vaccination model being used to support the vaccination of care home residents and workers in the UK covid-19 vaccines delivery plan to (a) people who have experienced rough sleeping and (b) frontline staff in homelessness services. (137350)
- 116 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the differences in coverage of (a) countries and (b) services are between the European Health Insurance Card scheme and the UK Global Health Insurance Card; and if he will make a statement. (137184)

- 117 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many applications for the UK Global Health Insurance Card have been received since the introduction of that scheme. (137185)
- 118 **Mr Ben Bradshaw** (Exeter): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what representations his Department has received on potential liability relating to patients who receive a first dose of the Pfizer covid-19 vaccine, and who have their second dose postponed or cancelled. (137117)
- 119N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the UK covid-19 Vaccine Delivery Plan published on 11 January 2021, which states that 50 mass vaccination centres will be set up by the end of January in England, when he plans to publish the locations of the 43 sites not named in the plan. (137346)
- 120 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to publish statistics on covid-19 vaccinations at constituency level. (137135)
- 121N Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether a mass vaccination site will open in Yorkshire. (137219)
- 122 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will launch a public health campaign that promotes the correct wearing of face coverings. (137320)
- 123 **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how his Department monitors how effectively the NHS track and trace system service reaches schoolchildren identified as having covid-19.

 (137224)
- 124 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to (a) reports of pregnant women being unlawfully sent home on statutory sick pay or unpaid leave during the covid-19 lockdown announced in March 2020 rather than being suspended on full pay or furloughed and (b) guidance published by the Department for Health and Social Care and the Health and Safety Executive on 23 December 2020 stating that women in their third trimester are at greater risk of severe illness if they catch covid-19, for what reason HMRC's guidance, Claim for wages through the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme, updated December 2020, does not provide guidance on pregnant women.
- Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his oral contribution of 13 January 2021, Official Report, on a new impactful all-age autism strategy, when in spring he plans to publish that strategy.

 (137305)

- 126 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his oral contribution of 13 January 2021, Official Report, on a new vaccination confidence campaign, whether that campaign plans to issue information for people with learning difficulties, hearing loss and visual impairments.
- 127 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to collect comprehensive data on the number of (a) covid-19 tests taken, (b) positive covid-19 test results, (c) covid-19 vaccinations and (d) deaths from covid-19 among Black, Asian and ethnic minorities on a (i) national and (ii) regional level.
- 128NAndrew Gwynne (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what preparations his Department is making for the increase in numbers of people with long covid following the winter 2020-21 spike in covid infections.

 (137155)
- 129 **Neale Hanvey** (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he was first made aware that Track and Trace activity was not automatically triggered by a positive lateral flow test; what steps his Department took in response to that matter; how many positive lateral flow test results were not referred to contact tracers; and what steps his Department is taking to (a) assess the risk of unchecked community transmission as a result of that matter (b) trace those people who were close contacts of someone who received a positive lateral flow test.
- 130 Wera Hobhouse (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2021 to Question 131380, what the planned timescale is for testing and evaluating the new integrated models of primary and adult community mental health care, including the eight sites that have received additional funding to improve the adult eating disorders pathway. (137278)
- 131 **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to Question 112072, tabled by the hon.

 Member for Salford and Eccles on 5 November 2020. (137229)
- 132 Marco Longhi (Dudley North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he made of the effect of the covid-19 tier restrictions on people's wellbeing who could not attend community lunches over Christmas 2020.

 (137332)
- 133 Marco Longhi (Dudley North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential effect of covid-19 vaccines on fertility. (137333)
- 134NJustin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effect on trends in the level of covid-19 transmission rates of reducing the length of the period of self-isolation from 14 days to 10 days.

 (137231)

- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with Public Health England on requiring NHS and social care staff to have the covid-19 vaccine in order to keep patients and care residents safe.

 (137241)
- 136 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he has taken to ensure that the Dental Activity Targets for the NHS contract are deliverable. (137242)
- 137N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to retain support bubbles in the event that tighter restrictions are introduced during the January 2021 covid-19 lockdown period. (137243)
- 138NAnne Marie Morris (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what evidence informs the criteria for the proportion of meat recommended in the NHS Eatwell Guide and Guideline Daily Allowances. (137213)
- 139 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what evidence informed his Department's decision that children under the age of 11 do not need to wear a mask in an enclosed public space during the covid-19 outbreak. (137341)
- 140NSarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will classify construction workers as key workers to allow them to send their children to school. (137275)
- 141N Sarah Owen (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of putting (a) teachers and (b) school staff in a higher priority group for the covid-19 vaccine. (137323)
- 142 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the implications for its policies of the findings of the Flinders University study published in PLOS One on the potential merits of the use of positive words and sentiments to describe feelings about death for improving end-of-life care. (137150)
- 143 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will review the use of language and sentiments to describe the dying process in hospitals and care homes. (137151)
- 144 Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that the rollout of the covid-19 vaccine is not delayed.
 (137205)
- 145 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps to work with pharmacies to deliver the covid-19 vaccine rollout. (137206)

- 146NMr Virendra Sharma (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to his Answer to Question 106294 of 20th October 2020, on Coronavirus: screening, in what format data relating to lost and compromised tests is held; and if he will publish it.

 (137169)
- 147 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what scientific evidence his Department is using to base its decision to restrict marriage ceremonies to only couples with exceptional circumstances under the January 2021 covid-19 lockdown restrictions. (137257)
- 148 Cat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the national review of overprescribing in the NHS led by Chief Pharmaceutical Officer Dr Keith Ridge will be published. (137235)
- 149 Cat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 12 January 2021 to Question 133917 on Prescription Drugs, if he will provide an explanation of the meaning of the phrase to optimise prescribing of dependence forming medicines provided in that Answer.
- 150 Cat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 22 October 2020 to Question 95679 on Drugs: Misuse, for what reason the independent review by Dame Carol Black into illicit drug use will inform the implementation of recommendations relating to prescription drug dependency. (137237)
- 151 Cat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many prescriptions were issued for each drug categorised under the drug groups (a) benzodiazepines including clonazepam, (b) z-drugs, (c) antidepressants and (d) opioids in the (i) last 12 months for which figures are available and (ii) most recent comparative 12 month period prior to the last 12 months period for which those figures are available. (137238)
- 152 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information his Department holds on the number of unique patients who have been prescribed drugs categorised under the drug groups (a) benzodiazepines including clonazepam, (b) z-drugs, (c) antidepressants and (d) opioids in the each of the last three years. (137239)
- 153 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of including covid-19 mass testing centre staff to the priority list for receiving the covid-19 vaccine alongside frontline NHS staff. (137199)
- 154 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the length of time it takes for medically qualified and registered individuals to become covid-19 vaccinators; and if he will make a statement.

 (137116)

- 155NEmily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to answer Question 128106 tabled on 15

 December 2020 by the Hon Member for Islington South and Finsbury. (137158)
- 156NCatherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with (a) local authorities and b) the Mayor of London on access to local data for the national covid-19 vaccination programme. (137263)
- 157NCatherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether data on ethnicity will be recorded as part of the national rollout of the covid-19 vaccination programme. (137264)
- 158NCatherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether data by London borough will be recorded as part of the national rollout of the covid-19 vaccination programme. (137265)
- 159 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions his Department has had with representatives of clinical commissioning groups on the potential merits of capturing ethnicity data as part of the national rollout of the covid-19 vaccination programme.

 (137266)
- 160 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions his Department has had with representatives of clinical commissioning groups on the potential merits of capturing and publishing data by London boroughs as part of the national rollout of the covid-19 vaccination programme. (137267)
- 161N Mick Whitley (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of support available to family members of people experiencing serious mental health issues. (137314)
- 162 **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to reduce (a) regional and (b) socioeconomic inequalities in mental health care. (137315)
- 163 **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many covid-19 vaccines are being administered each day to people living in Birkenhead constituency. (137316)
- 164 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps the Government is taking to protect the 156 Palestinian families in occupied East Jerusalem from eviction and forced transfer. (137143)
- 165 **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to evictions of Palestinian families and the expansion of settlements in occupied East Jerusalem,

- what representations his Department has made to the Israeli authorities on reviewing the Absentees' Property Law and the Administrative Matters Law in that country. (137144)
- 166 Mr Alistair Carmichael (Orkney and Shetland): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the Government's policy is on the responsibility of the Israeli Government for the eviction of Palestinian families in Sheikh Jarrah, Silwan and throughout occupied East Jerusalem, notwithstanding the involvement of private settler organisations in that matter.

 (137145)
- 167NWayne David (Caerphilly): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what consular assistance arrangements
 his Department has with embassies and consulates of Commonwealth countries
 in (a) Andorra, (b) Benin, (c) Burkina Faso, (d) Cape Verde, (e) Central African
 Republic, (f) Comoros, (g) Congo, (h) Djibouti, (i) Dominica, (j) East Timor, (k)
 Equatorial Guinea, (l) Gabon, (m) Guinea-Bissau, (n) Honduras, (o) Liechtenstein,
 (p) Monaco, (q) Nicaragua, (r) San Marino, (s) St Kitts and Nevis, (t) Suriname, (u)
 Togo and (v) Tonga.
- 168NGill Furniss (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to protect British NGO's importing life-saving goods into Yemen from potential legal repercussions following the US Administration's designation of the Houthis as a terrorist group.
- 169NHelen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent engagement the Government has had with the incoming Biden administration on UK-US joint priorities.
- 170N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the effect of the covid-19 pandemic on poverty rates in the global south; and what discussions he is having with international partners on that matter. (137252)
- 171N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent representations he has made to his Bahraini counterpart on the continued detention and wellbeing of Hasan Mushaima. (137255)
- 172N**Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to recent reports of the
 escalation of violence in Kurdistan, what recent discussions has he had with his
 lraqi counterpart on restoring peace to that region.

 (137299)

- 173NAfzal Khan (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he made of the effect
 of Morocco's sovereignty over Western Sahara on the prospects for peace and
 lasting settlement for the Sahrawi. (137300)
- 174N **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): 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 disappearance of Pakistani youth activist Amar
 Fayaz on 8 November 2020; and whether he has made representations to his
 Pakistani counterpart on that issue.

 (137301)
- 175N Sarah Owen (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions (a) he and (b) his

 Department have had with President-elect Biden's administration on the events

 which took place at the Capitol on 6 January 2021. (137322)
- 176 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): 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 evidence and recommendations in the
 Conservative Human Rights Commission's report on China, published in January
 2021.
- 177 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the
 licencing and humanitarian exemptions framework from the US terror designation
 of Ansar Allah for British organisations providing humanitarian support to Yemen.

 (137147)
- 178 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his
 US counterpart on general licences under the Ansar Allah terror designation
 framework; and what assessment he has made of whether those licences would
 include support to civil administration authorities.

 (137148)
- 179 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps the Government is taking to
 tackle famine in northern Yemen. (137149)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made representations to the Chinese Government on the alleged (a) demolishment of Buddhist temples in Hebei Province and (b) confiscation of Buddhist materials that are not approved by the Chinese Government from temples in China. (137203)
- 181 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans the Government has to
 support British (a) NGOs and (b) importers of life saving goods in Yemen in the
 event that the US terrorist designation of Ansarallah in Yemen affects the work of
 those humanitarian organisations.

 (137204)

- 182N**Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department recognises
 Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe as a hostage of Iran as per the terms of the Taking of
 Hostages Act 1982. (137256)
- 183NAlyn Smith (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effect of the decision by the US Secretary of State to designate the Houthis as a terrorist organisation on humanitarian access in Yemen. (137310)
- 184NCatherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with (a) his Bosnian counterpart and (b) the EU on the conditions facing refugees in Bosnia.

 (137262)
- 185NFleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of reducing the minimum salary requirement for settlement in the UK for physiotherapists in response to (a) high vacancy rates in NHS physiotherapy services and (b) the time being taken for the Government to take a decision on the Migration Advisory Committee recommendation to add physiotherapists to the Shortage Occupation List. (137330)
- 186 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions she has had with representatives from the music, cultural and performing industries on an EU-wide permit for touring and performing; and if she will make a statement. (137186)
- Paul Blomfield (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the (a) effect of new visa arrangements on the ability of self-employed people to conduct business in the EU and (b) estimated cost of such requirements to the self-employed working in the EU in 2021.
- 188 Paul Blomfield (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the effect of new immigration rules for UK nationals seeking seasonal work outside tourism in the EU. (137188)
- 189 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans she has to request access to the Schengen Information System SIS II. (137189)
- 190 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to put in place a real-time data alert system to replace SIS II; and what the planned timescale is for that alert system to be operational. (137190)

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- 191 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made on the effect of losing access to SIS II on the effectiveness of border security. (137191)
- 192 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant of the Answer of 11 January 2021 to Question 132926 on Deed Poll, what steps her Department is taking to monitor gaps in the name changing process in relation to safeguarding. (137218)
- 193NPatrick Grady (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with (a) the devolved Administrations and (b) the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on ensuring that asylum seekers are able to access the covid-19 vaccination programme. (137232)
- 194NHelen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2020 to Question 131351 on Asylum: Greater London, what assessment she has made of trends in the number of deaths in asylum accommodation. (137249)
- 195NHelen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2021 to Question 131351 on Asylum: Greater London, what monitoring her Department is undertaking of the (a) health and (b) mortality of residents in asylum accommodation during the covid-19 outbreak. (137250)
- 196NDan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, what recent assessment he has made of the effect of the Adult
 Dependent Relative visa eligibility criteria, introduced in 2012, on pressure on NHS
 and Social Care services.

 [Transferred] (136523)
- 197NStuart C McDonald (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make it a requirement for carriers to (a) notify passengers of the need to complete passenger locator forms prior to arrival in the UK, (b) make such forms available to passengers and (c) provide other information on quarantine requirements during the covid-19 outbreak; and if she will make a statement. (137227)
- 198NStuart C McDonald (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, who will be responsible for ensuring passengers arriving in the UK have had a negative test for covid-19 prior to departure; and what training and guidance has been provided to enable those checks to operate effectively and accurately. (137228)
- 199NNick Thomas-Symonds (Torfaen): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

 Department, when the cross-Whitehall Crime and Justice Taskforce was created;
 and who the members of that Taskforce are. (137244)

- 200N Nick Thomas-Symonds (Torfaen): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the dates were of each of the meetings of the Crime and Justice Taskforce. (137245)
- 201NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Forces Help to Buy payments have been completed in each region since the scheme began.

 (137118)
- 202NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many armed forces personnel and their families have been rejected by the Forces Help to Buy scheme's application process since the establishment of that scheme by rank.

 (137119)
- 203NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his oral contribution of 12 January 2021, Official Report, column 194 on reservist training, if he will publish details of other steps his Department has taken to meet financial pressures in the last 12 months; and what savings were made by each of those measures.
- 204N John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the effect of currency depreciation in defence procurement on the defence budget. (137121)
- 205NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many armed forces personnel from BAME backgrounds have been promoted into the officer ranks since 2012. (137122)
- 206N **Dr Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 22 June 2020 to Question 60642 on Navy: Coronavirus, what recent assessment his Department has made of the risk of covid-19 infection spreading throughout a ship's company at sea; and what priority he is giving to vaccinating ships' companies before embarkation. (137113)
- 207NGavin Robinson (Belfast East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the written statement on 17 November 2020 on Estate optimisation HCWS582, what progress his Department has made on the intended disposal of sites in Northern Ireland. (137222)
- 208 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people were recruited to the (a) Army (b) RAF and (c) Royal Navy in each of the last five years. (137208)
- 209 **Felicity Buchan** (Kensington): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, whether it is his policy that English
 Language Schools that have been forced to close under the covid-19 restrictions
 announced in January 2021 are eligible for grant funding coordinated by local
 authorities.

- 210 **Mr Simon Clarke** (Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to help people with shared ownership of a property who are unable to dispose of the property as a result of remedial action being needed by the landlord owing to the presence of combustible cladding. (137298)
- 211N Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, whether Government guidance to local
 authorities will specify that essential businesses materially impacted by covid19-related restrictions are eligible for the lockdown discretionary grant fund
 announced on 5th January. (137297)
- 212N Grahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, pursuant to the Answer of 11 January 2021
 to Question 133788 and with reference to the UK-wide investment framework
 in 2021, what assessment he has made of the implications for his Department's
 policies of the neighbourhood renewal plan prepared by Durham County Council
 in relation to housing in Horden.

 [Transferred] (136494)
- 213 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, if he will announce further funding for the
 Everyone In scheme. (137342)
- 214N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, how many residential properties in London
 under 18 metres his Department has identified as being constructed with ACM
 cladding.

 (137271)
- 215N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

 Communities and Local Government, if he will make it his policy to give local
 authorities the power to implement noise limits on fireworks. (137272)
- 216 Mr Barry Sheerman (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, if he will take steps to provide support to
 local authorities for ensuring that air quality on the routes of refuse collectors
 across local authorities is monitored; and what discussions has he had with the
 Secretary of State for Transport on further support for local authorities with
 refuse fleets with air quality monitors.

 (137124)
- 217 Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, if he will issue guidance to local authorities
 on whether the discretionary grant funding for local authorities announced on
 5 January 2021 will be accessible to essential businesses affected by the January
 2021 covid-19 lockdown. (137351)
- 218NRosie Cooper (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to ensure the safety of elderly and vulnerable members of the public who are summoned for jury service during the covid-19 outbreak.

- 219N Dame Cheryl Gillan (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many applications for grant of probate his Department has outstanding at the most recent date for which that information is available. (137111)
- 220NDame Cheryl Gillan (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what average time has been taken by his Department to issue a grant of probate after receipt of an application in the most recent period for which that information is available. (137112)
- 221 Andrew Griffith (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what recent assessment his Department has had made of the adequacy of the economic support available for Northern Irish businesses during the covid-19 outbreak. (137360)
- Jack Lopresti (Filton and Bradley Stoke): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what plans the Government has to bring forward legislative proposals to address the legacy of the Troubles and protect veterans who served in the armed forces in Northern Ireland. (137179)
- 223NEmily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Prime Minister, which Minister is responsible for the (a) administration of and public communication around the UK's new trading relationship with the European Union and (b) discussions with UK and European stakeholders about proposed improvements in that relationship.
- 224 Andrew Griffith (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what recent assessment his Department has had made of the adequacy of the economic support available for Scottish businesses during the covid-19 outbreak.

 (137357)
- 225 Andrew Griffith (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the business opportunities for Scotland arising from COP26. (137358)
- 226NPaul Blomfield (Sheffield Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what plans he has to publish an impact assessment of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement each quarter for 2021, with reference to (a) sectors of the economy and (b) all regions and nations of the UK.
- 227NDaisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will amend the deadline for eligibility for the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme from 24
 September 2020 to 4 January 2021, to reflect the latest announcement on covid-19 lockdown restrictions. (137321)
- 228 **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many reports he has received of deposited funds not appearing in tax-free childcare accounts; whether those incidents have been resolved; and what steps he is taking to prevent such incidents. (137165)

- 229NGill Furniss (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what fiscal steps he is taking to prevent fuel poverty during winter 2020-21.
- 230NNeale Hanvey (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of the recommendation of the Treasury Committee in its report Economic impact of coronavirus: Gaps in support that the Government undertake an urgent review to see how it can extend support to the newly self-employed who are unable to benefit from the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme. (137329)
- 231 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what financial support his Department is providing in response to the covid-19 outbreak to self-employed people who do not have a business premises.

 (137291)
- 232NMike Kane (Wythenshawe and Sale East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will publish (a) the total amount of business rates paid and (b) how much relief has been granted for each commercial airport operator in the UK. (137221)
- 233 Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the effect of the 30 October 2020 cut-off date for furlough under the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme on people who started new jobs after that date.

 (137246)
- 234 Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what plans he has to provide financial assistance to students in private rented accommodation who are unable to pay their rent as a result of the covid-19 outbreak. (137247)
- 235 Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Education on providing a rebate to students renting private rented accommodation but not living in that accommodation as a result of the covid-19 outbreak. (137248)
- 236 Marco Longhi (Dudley North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will extend stamp duty holiday period beyond 31 March 2021 to protect employment in the property industry. (137334)
- 237 **Marco Longhi** (Dudley North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential effect in Dudley North on confidence among high street businesses and shoppers of extending business rates relief for the hospitality, retail, and leisure sector for an additional year. (137335)
- 238 Jack Lopresti (Filton and Bradley Stoke): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what plans his Department has for sector-specific support for the aviation and aerospace industries to offset the effect on them of national lockdowns and travel bans during the covid-19 outbreak.
 (137180)

- 239NTim Loughton (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will publish a list of the organisations that have received funding from the Sugar Tax Levy; and what steps he is taking to promote applications for funding from that Levy. (137115)
- 240NSarah Owen (Luton North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will publish an evaluation of the (a) financial and (b) public health effects in the Luton North constituency of the Eat Out to Help Out scheme. (137325)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what plans his
 Department has to improve online banking security. (137207)
- 242 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions has had with the Secretary of State for Education on providing support to primary schools for air quality level monitoring. (137123)
- 243NJane Stevenson (Wolverhampton North East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the effect of the July 2020 stamp duty holiday on the housing market; and if he will make a statement. (137311)
- 244N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what performance metrics his Department uses to assess the UK Charging Infrastructure Investment Fund. (137114)
- 245 **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of increasing child tax credit. (137313)
- 246 Andrew Griffith (Arundel and South Downs): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what recent assessment his Department has had made of the adequacy of the economic support available for Welsh businesses during the covid-19 outbreak.

 (137359)
- 247 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what steps her Department is taking with the Department for Health and Social Care to help prevent new HIV cases by 2030. (137339)
- 248 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, if she will take steps to ensure equitable access to the anti-HIV drug PrEP for all groups who could benefit from it. (137340)
- 249 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, with reference to her oral contribution of 25 November 2020, Official Report, column 814, whether there have been Equality Impact Assessments which have not been published.
- 250 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, in 2010, whether the Government plans to enact the Equality Act's socio-economic duty.

 (137304)

- 251 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, with reference to her oral contribution of 13 January 2021, Official Report, on the launch of an equality data project which will look at the life paths of individuals across the UK and deliver hard data about the barriers that people face, what data types he plans to collate.
- 252NMr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of mental health support made available to LGBT people during the covid-19 outbreak. (137287)

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Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Graham Stringer** (Blackley and Broughton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether top-up payments to be made to third parties are permissible, under the Contracts for Difference regime. (137127)
- 2N **Graham Stringer** (Blackley and Broughton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether it is permissible under the Contracts for Difference regime for top-up payments to be made to third parties outside the UK. (137128)
- 3N **Graham Stringer** (Blackley and Broughton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to prevent tax avoidance by participants in the Contracts for Difference scheme. (137129)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs

- 1 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): What steps he is taking to ensure his Department prioritises poverty-focused aid. (910974)
- Wes Streeting (Ilford North): What steps he plans to take at the UN Human Rights Council in March 2021 in response to (a) Sri Lanka's recent withdrawal from its human rights obligations under Resolution 30/1 and (b) forced cremations of people who die from covid-19 in Sri Lanka. (910975)
- 3 **David Linden** (Glasgow East): What assessment he has made of the effect of events at the US Capitol building on 6 January 2021 on the state of democracy worldwide.

 (910976)
- 4 **Paul Holmes** (Eastleigh): What diplomatic steps he is taking to bring Iran back into compliance with the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action. (910977)

- **Liz Twist** (Blaydon): What recent steps the Government has taken to help ensure equitable access to covid-19 vaccines for people living in the Global South. (910978)
- **Dr Andrew Murrison** (South West Wiltshire): What steps he is taking to ensure UK science and technology plays a role in international development. (910979)
- **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): What progress the Government has made through international co-operation on tackling anti-microbial resistance. (910980)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): What recent assessment the Government has made of the (a) political and (b) humanitarian situation in Yemen. (910981)
- **Duncan Baker** (North Norfolk): What recent assessment he has made of the political situation in Ethiopia. (910982)
- **David Mundell** (Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale): What steps he is taking to tackle global malnutrition. (910983)
- 11 Claire Hanna (Belfast South): What steps he is taking to ensure that his Department's work on international development is subject to (a) oversight and (b) accountability frameworks. (910984)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): What recent steps the Government has taken to help ensure equitable access to covid-19 vaccines for people living in the Global South. (910985)
- 13 Sarah Owen (Luton North): What assessment he has made of the effect of the death of Kashmiri citizens Abrar Ahmad Khan, Imtiyaz Ahmad and Abrar Ahmad Yousuf on human rights in that region. (910986)
- 14 Alison Thewliss (Glasgow Central): What recent discussions he has had with the US Secretary of State on that Administration's proposed designation of Houthis as a terror group. (910987)
- **Gareth Davies** (Grantham and Stamford): What diplomatic steps he is taking to strengthen UK relations in the Indo-Pacific. (910988)
- **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): What recent steps the Government has taken to help ensure equitable access to covid-19 vaccines for people living in the Global South. (910989)
- **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): What assessment he has made of the effect of covid-19 on forcibly displaced people in fragile and developing countries.

 (910990)
- **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): What steps he is taking to support the 2016 peace agreement in Columbia following the recent killings of human rights defenders and trade unionists in that country. (910991)
- **Steven Bonnar** (Coatbridge, Chryston and Bellshill): What discussions he has had with (a) his counterparts in EU member states and (b) the Secretary of State for Transport on the diplomatic implications of the operation of the UK's border with the EU from 1 January 2021. (910992)

- **Caroline Ansell** (Eastbourne): What progress the Government has made through international co-operation on tackling climate change. (910993)
- **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): What diplomatic steps he is taking to strengthen UK relations with ASEAN countries. (910994)
- **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): What recent assessment he has made of the effect of the covid-19 pandemic on poverty rates in the Global South. (910996)
- 23 Rachael Maskell (York Central): What recent steps the Government has taken to help ensure equitable access to covid-19 vaccines for people living in the Global South. (910997)
- **Dr Jamie Wallis** (Bridgend): What diplomatic steps the Government is taking to support the development and distribution of covid-19 vaccines (a) in the UK and (b) throughout the world. (910998)
- **Craig Whittaker** (Calder Valley): What recent progress he has made on the next round of sanctions designations under the Magnitsky sanctions regime. (910999)
- **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): What support the UK is providing to the UN's work to secure peace in Yemen. (911000)
- **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): What recent assessment he has made of the political situation in Zimbabwe. (911002)
- **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): What steps he is taking to support human rights in Kashmir; and if he will make a statement. (911004)
- **John Lamont** (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): What recent steps he has taken to improve UK relations with Israel. (911008)
- **Damian Collins** (Folkestone and Hythe): What recent discussions he has had with the US Administration on reports of the (a) detention and (b) assault of journalists covering the rioting in Washington, D.C. on 6 January 2021. (911009)
- 31 Mark Pawsey (Rugby): What diplomatic steps the Government is taking to support the development and distribution of covid-19 vaccines (a) in the UK and (b) throughout the world. (911010)
- **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): What diplomatic steps he is taking to strengthen UK relations with India. (911013)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs

- T1 Rebecca Long Bailey (Salford and Eccles): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities. (911034)
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