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Questions tabled on Wednesday 24 February 2021

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Questions for Answer on Thursday 25 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Mr Gregory Campbell (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Border Delivery Group made an assessment of matters arising from the implementation of the Northern Ireland Protocol at its most recent meeting. [Transferred] (156273)
- 2N Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the recommendation by the Women and Equalities Select Committee that HR1 forms should be amended to collect data on the protected characteristics of people that are made redundant in large numbers.

 [Transferred] (156551)
- 3 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing mandatory ethnicity pay reporting. [Transferred] (157267)
- 4 Ian Lavery (Wansbeck): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will take steps to ensure that businesses receiving Government covid-19-related support do not make staff redundant. [Transferred] (157115)
- Philip Davies (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the (a) benefits and (b) harms of children wearing face masks in school; and if he will publish the scientific evidence upon which that assessment is based.

 [Transferred] (157047)

- 6 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether the Government plans to use public money to fund new overseas fossil fuel projects ahead of COP26. [Transferred] (157243)
- 7 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment the Government has made of the effect of e-scooters on the safety of blind and partially sighted people. [Transferred] (157272)
- 8 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether pharmacy staff are required to wear a face covering while serving customers.

 [Transferred] (157057)
- 9 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to review the mandatory use of face coverings in shops. [Transferred] (157046)
- Alex Sobel (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has issued guidance to UK nationals working overseas who have lost their job during the covid-19 pandemic and who cannot afford the cost of covid-19 quarantine.

 [Transferred] (157265)
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the Government
 announcement to donate surplus covid-19 vaccine doses to other countries,
 whether the Government will make that donation from (a) its bilaterally
 purchased doses or (b) the UK COVAX allocation; and if he will make a statement.

 [Transferred] (157068)
- Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what mechanisms are in place to ensure that people who are required by law to notify local authorities or police of a change of name make that notification.

 [Transferred] (157135)
- Stephanie Peacock (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that local authorities have the resources they need to tackle (a) speeding and (b) anti-social behaviour on roads.

 [Transferred] (157247)
- Alison Thewliss (Glasgow Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions Mears had with the Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership before opening the mother and baby unit at 100 Pollokshaws Road, Glasgow.

 [Transferred] (157193)
- 15 Ian Lavery (Wansbeck): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will allocate funding in Budget 2021 to local authorities to cover costs and funding shortfalls incurred as a result of the covid-19 outbreak.
 [Transferred] (157114)

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- 16 Fleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the publication of the Competition and Markets Authority's final report in its funerals market investigation, published in December 2020, when the Government plans to introduce the registration and inspection regime for funeral directors recommended by the CMA. [Transferred] (157320)
- 17 **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what support his Department can provide to UK-based, French-owned companies who no longer benefit from French research and development tax credits for UK-based work.

 [Transferred] (157261)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment has been made of potential similarities between the investment schemes marketed by Ready2Invest Limited and the collapse of London Capital & Finance Plc.

 [Transferred] (157188)

Questions for Answer on Monday 1 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Dawn Butler (Brent Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what plans the Government has to mark United Nations International Day for the elimination of racial discrimination in 2021. (157968)
- 2N **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what plans the Government has to mark the remainder of the United Nations International Decade for People of African Descent 2015-2024. (157969)
- Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the phase of the Government's plan to ease coronavirus restrictions under which community music rehearsals and performance are planned to be permitted to resume. (158064)
- 4N **Ed Davey** (Kingston and Surbiton): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the planned timescale is for the review on covid-19 vaccine passports. (157949)
- Mr Jonathan Lord (Woking): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to improve the quality of civil service apprenticeships. (158034)
- 6 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to improve online government services. (158035)

- 7N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 22 February 2021 to Question 153241 on Amazon Web Services: Contracts, whether the Modern Slavery Assessment Tool records Amazon's support or otherwise for (a) labour rights and (b) human rights.
- 8 Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 22 February 2021 to Question 153241 on Amazon Web Services: Contracts, whether the Modern Slavery Assessment Tool records Amazon's denial of access to toilets for its Alabama workers. (158045)
- 9N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 22 February 2021 to Question 153241 on Amazon Web Services: Contracts, whether it is his policy that the denial of (a) labour rights and (b) human rights is a form of Modern Day Slavery. (158046)
- 10N **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he last met representatives of Barclays to discuss the closure of the Barclays Identity Service; and if he will make a statement.
- 11N Rachel Reeves (Leeds West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he is taking to adapt Government procurement strategies as a result of the High Court's recent ruling on contract publication. (158019)
- 12N Rachel Reeves (Leeds West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of Public First's performance in its contracts relating to the covid-19 response. (158020)
- 13N Rachel Reeves (Leeds West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what voucher schemes the currently advertised £3.3 billion contract relates to. (158022)
- 14 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the President of COP26, how much the Government has spent on preparations for COP26 since (a) 1 January 2020 and (b) 1 January 2021. (158204)
- 15N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what additional support his Department plans to offer to UK tourism businesses as covid-19 lockdown restrictions ease. (158073)
- 16N Neil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of how long international tourism will take to return to previous levels as covid-19 lockdown restrictions ease. (158074)

- 17N Alex Davies-Jones (Pontypridd): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Government's response to the Pregnancy and maternity discrimination consultation published in July 2019, what progress the Government has made on establishing a taskforce on that matter. (158234)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of increasing the amount of biomass feedstocks produced domestically in the UK. (158123)
- 19 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans his Department has for further UK-wide decarbonisation policies when the non-domestic renewable heat incentive comes to an end in March 2021. (158124)
- 20N Colleen Fletcher (Coventry North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions he has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on increasing support to businesses in (a) Coventry North East constituency and (b) Coventry affected by the covid-19 outbreak. (158075)
- 21N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the implications of the cost differential of the AstraZeneca vaccine for the UK and Uganda in achieving the Prime Minister's aim of making sure everybody gets the vaccines that they need so that the whole world can come through this pandemic together.

 [Transferred] (157240)
- 22 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of UK whistleblowing legislation to (a) ensure that it keeps pace with international developments and (b) maintain the UK's position on worker rights.

(158116)

- 23N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing the Debt Relief Order limit to £50,000. (157961)
- 24N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of allowing additional pre-existing debts to be scheduled in Debt Relief Orders postapplication in the event that the debt limit is not breached. (157962)
- 25 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps the Government is taking to support businesses that have become heavily indebted during the covid-19 outbreak. (158202)

- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with the Welsh Government on UK Government support for businesses that have become heavily indebted during the covid-19 outbreak. (158203)
- 27 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent steps he has taken to meet the Government's net zero carbon emissions target by 2050. (158212)
- Afzal Khan (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business,
 Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made an assessment of the
 potential merits of (a) increasing the Debt Relief Order vehicle value threshold to
 £2,000 and (b) excluding mobility scooters from the threshold. (158194)
- 29 **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of requiring the Insolvency Service to commit to review every three years the Debt Relief Order monetary eligibility criteria to ensure continued access to DROs. (158195)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of financial support for social clubs during the period of covid-19 lockdown restrictions. (158093)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with representatives of social clubs on the effect of the covid-19 outbreak on such clubs.

 (158094)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent assessment he has made of the effect of social clubs on social isolation and loneliness. (158095)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what estimate he has made of the number of people employed in sectors unable to open due to covid-19 restrictions who have been excluded from the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme since November 2020. (158102)
- 34N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make it his policy to include international aviation and shipping emissions in the Sixth Carbon Budget, as recommended by the Climate Change Committee.

 [Transferred] (157027)

- 35N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 22 February 2021 to Question 153242 on Amazon: Conditions of Employment, whether he has discussed workers' rights (a) in the retail sector and (b) at Amazon with (i) Amazon and (ii) the Retail Council. (158043)
- 36N **Matthew Pennycook** (Greenwich and Woolwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he plans to implement the Clean Steel Fund.
- 37N Lucy Powell (Manchester Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what the basis is of the decision to apply EU state aid limits to grants in England issued after 1 January 2021. (158059)
- 38N Lucy Powell (Manchester Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business,
 Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether grants paid in England on the basis of
 the rateable value of closed premises can contribute towards the €3 million state
 aid threshold for uncovered fixed costs subject to businesses meeting the relevant
 eligibility criteria. (158060)
- 39N Lucy Powell (Manchester Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business,
 Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to his Department's consultation,
 Subsidy control: designing a new approach for the UK, published on 3 February
 2021, whether interim arrangements for the UK's subsidy control regime will be
 published pending the outcome of that consultation. (158061)
- 40N Lucy Powell (Manchester Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether the UK will adopt or mirror the higher state aid thresholds announced by the EU on 28 January 2021 of €1.8 million for the Temporary Framework and €10 million for uncovered fixed costs. (158062)
- 41N Lucy Powell (Manchester Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business,
 Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 15 February 2021 to
 Question 149789 on Post Office: Subsidies, whether EU state aid rules do not apply
 to lockdown grants announced on 5 January 2021.

 (158063)
- 42N **Bob Seely** (Isle of Wight): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans his Department has made for the transition away from table service in wet-led pubs as covid-19 restrictions are eased. (158197)
- Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to implement climate change policies that (a) ensure the UK makes a proportionate contribution to limiting global temperature increase to 1.5°C above pre-industrial temperatures, (b) accurately record all UK carbon emissions, including shipping and aviation, (c) protect and restore diverse habitats along overseas supply chains and (d) restore UK soils, wildlife habitats and species populations.

- Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the effect of citizens' assemblies on Government climate change policy. (158030)
- 45N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many applications from local authorities for the Green Homes Grant Local Authority Delivery (LAD) scheme were received for (a) Phase 1a and (b) Phase 1b.
- 46N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many applications from local authorities were rejected due to the Local Authority Deliver scheme for (a) Phase 1a and (b) Phase 1b being oversubscribed. (157944)
- 47N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what proportion of Local Authority Delivery funding has been allocated to projects compared with that allocated for the Green Homes Grant voucher scheme. (157945)
- 48N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what proportion of Local Authority Delivery funding has been allocated to each region of the UK. (157946)
- 49N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he plans to allocate the remaining £300 million from the Local Authority Delivery scheme to local energy hubs. (157947)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether his Department has made an assessment of the effect of the media representation of obesity on the stigma associated with living with overweight or obesity. (158122)
- Darren Henry (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps his Department are taking to ensure areas designated OFCOM area 2 can access Government schemes to improve their broadband speeds.
- 52N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, how much spending has been allocated to the Festival UK* 2022 in (a) 2021-22 and (b) 2022-23; and from which departmental budget that spending will be taken. (158146)
- 53N Jamie Stone (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions he has had with organisations responsible for running festivals this year on insurance issues. (158157)
- 54N Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 22 February 2021 to Question 152653 on the Turing Scheme, what estimate he has made of student demand for the Turing Scheme in the 2021-22 academic year. (158220)

- Philip Davies (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will publish the scientific evidence which shows that mask wearing among school children prevents transmission of covid-19 in a real world setting. (157982)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 4 February 2021 to Question 145105, what steps he is taking to ensure that families, schools and staff are informed of the support available to pupils with autism and other special educational needs and disabilities.

 (158162)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 12 February 2021 to Question 149320, what estimate he has made of the number of 4G wireless routers delivered to pupils without connection at home in (a) Slough, (b) the South East and (b) England. (158170)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 12 February 2021 to Question 149320, what assessment he has made of the timeframe for the mobile data offer and 4G wireless routers to end.

 (158171)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to ensure the (a) accuracy and (b) availability of covid-19 test at-home kits for secondary school pupils, as required twice a week when they return to school.

 (158176)
- 60 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the covid-19 advice on face coverings in educational settings, what steps he is taking to support students who rely on lip reading. (158178)
- 61N Colleen Fletcher (Coventry North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what (a) financial and (b) other support his Department has provided to students affected by the covid-19 lockdown. (158079)
- Carla Lockhart (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many knife possession orders have been issued in relation to (a) primary schools,
 (b) secondary schools and (c) higher educational establishments in the last five years.
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to engage with global partners to improve climate education internationally ahead of COP26. (157998)
- 64 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking through the education system to deliver target 13.3 of the Sustainable Development Goals to Improve education, awareness-raising and human and institutional capacity on climate change mitigation, adaptation, impact reduction and early warning ahead of COP26. (157999)

65 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he has worked with Ministers for Education in the devolved Administrations to co-ordinate the teaching of climate education across the UK.

(158000)

- 66N Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the logistics required to facilitate testing of older pupils for covid-19 before they attend their first on-site lesson on Monday 8 March 2021; whether schools will have to cancel lessons to administer those tests; what logistical support will be provided to enable head teachers to recruit volunteers and staff to provide adequate testing capacity; whether he has taken steps to provide schools with staffing to provide mental health support for children and young people who experience stress or anxiety about testing for covid-19 in mass testing conditions; and if he will make a statement.
- 67 Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when the Government plans to respond to its Call for evidence on the financial arrangements for children and young people with special educational needs and disability and those who need alternative provision, which closed on 31 July 2019.
- 68N Lloyd Russell-Moyle (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of suspending fines for non-attendance of enrolled students in schools where parents or students have medical reasons such as clinically vulnerable or for anxiety reasons until at least 29 March 2021.
- 69N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the number of pupils who will be taught under the National Tutoring Programme; and if he will publish that data by (a) constituency and (b) local authority. (158127)
- 70N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will publish covid-19 catch up premium funding allocations for each school by (a) constituency and (b) local authority area. (158128)
- 71N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how he plans to allocate the Government's £200 million funding for face-to-face secondary summer school provision; and if he will publish those allocations for each school by (a) constituency and (b) local authority area. (158129)
- 72N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what criteria his Department plans to use to determine each school's allocation of covid-19 catch up premium funding. (158130)
- 73 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans his Department has to encourage the growth of local hospitality-based businesses that specialise in healthy vegan and vegetarian eating options. (158216)

- 74N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to promote the use of UK-made steel in projects funded by his Department. (158026)
- 75N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the environmental benefits of using UK-made steel in projects funded by his Department. (158027)
- 76N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the environmental benefits of utilising more of the scrap steel produced in the UK each year.

 (158028)
- 77 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to (a) increase the quantity of flexible packaging being recycled and (b) improve recycling infrastructure. (158209)
- 78 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans he has to add flexible packaging to the proposed core list of materials required to be collected for recycling from households and businesses in England from 2023. (158210)
- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent estimate he has made of the volume of flexible packaging that would be diverted from landfill in the event that such material was collected for recycling from households in England from 2023. (158211)
- 80N **Sir Greg Knight** (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of existing legislation designed to (a) end unacceptable puppy farming practices and (b) stop puppy smuggling; if he will consider bringing forward further measures if this is deemed necessary; and if he will make a statement. (157959)
- 81 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of trends in littering; and whether he plans to launch a national campaign on litter.

 (158096)
- 82N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, by how many full-time equivalent employees his departmental payroll has reduced since the conclusion of the EU Exit trade deal.

 (158198)
- 83N Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the number of additional full-time equivalent employees employed by his Department who were temporarily allocated to EU Exit preparation work in the areas of (a) fisheries, (b) farming and (c) chemicals will leave his Department in 2021-22. (158199)

- 84N Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many additional full-time equivalent employees employed by his Department who were temporarily allocated to EU Exit preparation work in the areas of (a) fisheries, (b) farming and (c) chemicals have been redeployed in his Department to date; and how many of those staff will be redeployed in 2021-22.
- 85N Rachel Reeves (Leeds West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment,
 Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to support the UK ornamental
 horticulture industry to harvest under the new UK-EU trading arrangements.[R] (158023)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the minimum age of dogs being imported and exported to six months.

 (157963)
- 87 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that cats and dogs are sold legally with legitimate documentation on their health and history. (157964)
- 88 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will introduce measures to restrict the age at which puppies can be imported to at least 14 weeks. (157953)
- 89N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what recent discussions she has had with the President of COP26 on the continued use of public money to fund fossil fuel projects overseas.

 [Transferred] (157241)
- 90 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what recent progress she has made for the UK to accede to the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership. (158039)
- 91 Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what discussions she has had with Treasury Ministers on future funding allocations to the Music Export Growth Scheme (MEGS); and if she will make a statement.

 (157948)
- 92 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 8 February 2021 to Question 147965, what the timescale is for a decision to been made on whether to extend the validity of Rail Travel Vouchers. (158163)
- 93 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department has taken with rail operators to inform key workers travelling by rail of forthcoming engineering works to avoid disruption. (158164)
- 94 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 9 February 2021 to Question 148875, what recent steps he has taken to help ensure that no community loses its connectivity. (158165)

- 95 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 9 February 2021 to Question 147963, what (a) lines and (b) stations he plans to restore in the North that had been previously closed during the Beeching cuts. (158166)
- 96 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 9 February 2021 to Question 147963, what assessment he has made of the potential level of disruption during the Transpennine route upgrade. (158167)
- 97 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 9 February 2021 to Question 148874, what assessment he has made of the effect of longer-term changes in behaviour as a result of the covid-19 pandemic on rail services. (158168)
- 98 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 16 February 2021 to Question 151802, what recent meetings his Department has had with the (a) taxi and private hire vehicle sector and (b) Licensed Private Hire Car Association. (158172)
- 99 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to extend the validity of railcards purchased before or during the covid-19 pandemic to take into account potential journey savings lost for cardholders. (158174)
- 100 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has any plans to incentivise commuters to travel by train once covid-19 lockdown restrictions are lifted. (158175)
- 101 **Michael Fabricant** (Lichfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether HS2 Ltd still plans to tunnel the railway under the A38 immediately east of Streethay near Lichfield. (157950)
- 102NPatrick Grady (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with Eurostar International Limited on the effect of the covid-19 pandemic on the future of the service. (158106)
- 103NPatrick Grady (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the role of the Eurostar service in reducing the climate impact of travel between the UK and mainland Europe. (158107)
- 104 Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to his Department's publication, Gear change: A bold vision for cycling and walking, published in 2020, whether the target that half of all journeys in towns and cities being walked or cycled by 2030 replaces the target to double cycling and walking by 2025 in the Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy.

- 105 **Darren Henry** (Broxtowe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that smart motorways maintain the same safety standards as conventional motorways. (158227)
- 106 Mrs Sharon Hodgson (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what additional financial provision has been made available to support the Tyne and Wear Metro between (a) April 2021 to March 2022 and (b) in subsequent years above the historic and agreed Metropolitan Rail Grant. (157978)
- 107 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will grant additional funding to Nexus to support the cost of operating the Tyne and Wear Metro beyond March 2021; and if he will make a statement. (157979)
- 108 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many critical workers have had driving tests cancelled during the third national lockdown. (158097)
- 109 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an assessment of the effect on critical workers of the ban on driving tests during the third national lockdown. (158098)
- 110 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to ensure that critical workers have effective access to driving tests after the end of the national lockdown. (158099)
- 111N Kerry McCarthy (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on providing financial support to UK haulage firms to set up bases in the EU in response to the introduction of haulage movement restrictions under the UK-EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement.

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- 112N Kerry McCarthy (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the number of penalties issued to Heavy Goods Vehicle drivers who have not secured a valid Kent Access Permit since the 1 January 2021.

 (157970)
- 113N Kerry McCarthy (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment his Department has made of the environmental effect of the planned expansion of England's road network. (157971)
- 114N Kerry McCarthy (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of reviewing the 2014 national policy statement on national networks in the context of the Government's 2050 net zero target.

 (157972)

- 115N Kerry McCarthy (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Law Commission's consultation on automated vehicles, which closes on 18 March 2021, whether his Department plans to wait for the conclusions of that consultation before listing Automated Lane Keeping Systems as a form of self-driving. (157973)
- 116N Kerry McCarthy (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he made of the consumer education requirements that will be required to ensure that drivers using Automated Lane Keeping System technology (ALKS) (a) understand the limitations of that technology and (b) are aware of their responsibilities when using ALKS vehicles. (157974)
- 117N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the Deloitte report on options for DVLA staff to work from home. (158241)
- 118N Grahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will hold discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the potential merits of including the coach industry within the Additional Restrictions Support Grant. (158014)
- 119N Lloyd Russell-Moyle (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what equality impact assessment his Department has undertaken on the effect on people whose two-year deadline for Compulsory Basic Training has expired during the covid-19 outbreak. (158158)
- 120 **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with Transport for London on (a) safety and (b) congestion around the A406 junction with Redbridge Roundabout. (158140)
- 121 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of adding further ports of entry in the north for travellers required to quarantine in quarantine hotels. (158032)
- 122N Paul Blomfield (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what support she is putting in place for people (a) awaiting a face-to-face assessment for employment and support allowance, (b) whose contributory employment and support allowance is due to expire and (c) who earn above the threshold eligible for universal credit. (158025)
- 123NWendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 2 February 2021 to Question 145157 on bereavement benefits, whether the remedial order will be fully retrospective to ensure that those who have already lost their partner will receive the entitlement for themselves and their children that they would have been able to obtain had they been married to their partner at the time of his or her death. (158219)
- 124 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she has taken to ensure that unpaid carers have access to support services during the period of covid-19 lockdown restrictions. (158177)

- 125NEmma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of the increased (a) costs, (b) course length and c) written examination content in the proposed new Security Industry qualifications on (i) access for the unemployed and (ii) take-up by training providers.
- 126N Drew Hendry (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to help reduce wait times for the Independent Case Examiner to asses a complaint. (158115)
- 127N David Linden (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, (what recent assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of universal credit payment rates; and whether her Department undertakes regular analysis to help ensure universal credit payment rates are set at levels that meet the basic needs of recipients. (158179)
- 128N David Linden (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the implications of her policies of the findings of Citizens Advice Scotland, published in February 2021, that the value of standard allowance of universal credit without the £20 uplift is less in real terms than in 2013.
- 129 **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of the recommendations of the Social Security Advisory Committee's Occasional Paper 23 on the use of public funds in supporting the mobility needs of disabled people, published on 17 November 2020. (158181)
- 130 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of employees from the DWP Debt Management team are on sick leave as at 24 February 2021. (158090)
- 131 Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many universal credit claimants have had wages assigned to different assessment periods under the legislation introduced to comply with court ruling case no. C1/2019/0593.
 (158092)
- 132 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 18 January 2021 to Question 137230, how many applications to the Kickstart scheme have been approved by (a) region and (b) sector to date. (158103)
- 133N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many full-time equivalent work coaches her Department employs; and what the average caseload is for each full-time equivalent work coach as at 24 February 2021. (158054)

- 134NSeema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the oral evidence of the Minister for Employment to the Work and Pensions Committee of 11 February 2021, when her Department's TAP programme started; and if she will make a statement. (158057)
- 135N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to support in-work progression. (158058)
- 136N**Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many young people have been given a placement on the Kickstart Scheme (a) in the UK and (b) by each parliamentary constituency. (157951)
- 137N Steve McCabe (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if P&J Moore Ltd, who operate Kickstart Portal, are contracted by the Department for Work and Pensions. (157952)
- 138NAnne Marie Morris (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of extending the Kickstart scheme to candidates who were aged 16-24 at the time that the business applied for the creation of the placement. (158053)
- 139N Jonathan Reynolds (Stalybridge and Hyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many claims were made for Support for Mortgage Interest in each of the last 12 months (a) in total and (b) by (i) disability, (ii) ethnicity and (iii) family type.
- 140N**Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of implementing a £20 a week supplement to people receiving the Carers Allowance in Wales. (157960)
- 141N Fleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of people who were on the waiting list for NHS operations who have now received private operations. (158225)
- 142 **Paul Blomfield** (Sheffield Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason his Department amended the definition of severe asthma sufferers as those who were formally shielding, regularly take steroid tablets or had ever had an emergency hospital admission; and what impact assessment was undertaken before that definition was amended. (158024)
- 143NAndrew Bridgen (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps have been taken to ensure that specialists regularly update the Shielded Patient List in respect of clinically extremely vulnerable people during the covid-19 outbreak for people with inflammatory bowel disease. (158047)

- 144 Andrew Bridgen (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what criteria is being used to prioritise clinically vulnerable, moderate risk, people with inflammatory bowel disease for the covid-19 vaccine; and which healthcare professionals are responsible for identifying those patients and adding them to the appropriate vaccination list. (158048)
- 145 **Richard Burgon** (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 23 February 2021 to Question 110872 on the Test and Trace Support Payment, by what date the Government plans to have published the data on how many people have (a) applied for and (b) received the £500 Test and Trace Support Payment. (158125)
- 146NRichard Burgon (Leeds East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 16 November 2020 to Question 108272 on Department of Health and Social Care: Serco, whether any (a) fines and (b) other financial penalties have been paid to his Department by (i) Serco and (ii) Serco subsidiaries as a result of contractual obligations with his Department not having been met.
- 147 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 30 December 2020 to Question 112092 on Obesity: Devolution, whether his Department has discussed, with a focus on obesity in the devolved nations, the delivery of UK-wide measures in the Government's 2020 obesity strategy with (a) patient and (b) professional organisations.
- 148 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of the 17 November 2020 to Question 112091 on Obesity, whether the views of (a) people with obesity (b) obesity patient organisations and (c) professional associations for healthcare professionals with a focus on obesity were considered by his Department during its development of plans for implementing the obesity strategy. (158118)
- 149 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of the 17 November 2020 to Question 112090 on Obesity: Mass Media, whether the Government plans to take steps to reduce the stigma associated with living with overweight or obesity. (158119)
- 150 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of the 17 November 2020 to Question 112090 on Obesity: Mass Media, whether (a) he and (b) officials of his Department have had discussions with the (i) Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport and (b) officials of that Department on the effect of the media representation of obesity on the stigma associated with living with overweight or obesity.

- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to work collaboratively with the devolved administrations in (a) Scotland, (b) Northern Ireland and (c) Wales on reducing the stigma associated with living with overweight or obesity. (158121)
- 152N**Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether international visitors to the UK who are (a) unable to return home, (b) clinically vulnerable and (c) elderly are able to receive a covid-19 vaccine in the UK.
- 153 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 10 February 2021 to Question 147966, whether people with alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency will be (a) added to the Shielding Patient List and (b) prioritised for the covid-19 vaccine. (158169)
- 154NAndrew Gwynne (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 17 February 2021 to Question 149746 on Sodium Valproate, what the terms of reference are for his Department's assessment of recommendation 4 of the Independent Medicines and Medical Devices Safety Review. (157975)
- 155N Andrew Gwynne (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reasons the Government has decided not to implement recommendation 3 of the Independent Medicines and Medical Devices Safety Review to create a new independent Redress Agency for people harmed by medicines and medical devices. (157976)
- 156 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of ensuring priority access to the covid-19 vaccination for people with autism.

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- 157NEmma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether aquariums are included amongst the indoor attractions that will be able to open in Step 3 of the roadmap for reopening announced on 22 February 2021. (158183)
- 158NHelen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure GPs are able to identify people with a learning disability who qualify for the covid-19 vaccine under priority groups 4 and 6. (158141)
- 159N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the appropriateness of the current guidance on prioritisation of people with learning difficulties for covid-19 vaccines; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of expanding priority group six to include all people with learning disabilities. (158142)

- 160NHelen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the capacity required of the primary care and learning disability workforce to identify all people with a learning disability in vaccine priority groups and target appropriate support to them.
- 161N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to issue targeted information on the covid-19 vaccine and support to people with learning disabilities to help them access the vaccine as soon as possible. (158144)
- 162NHelen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of joint covid-19 vaccination appointments for people with learning disabilities and their carers. (158145)
- 163 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to incorporate blood tests for serum ferritin and transferrin saturation into the NHS Health Check, as a cost-effective means of identifying people at risk of iron overload from genetic haemochromatosis earlier in life.
- 164 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of the UK National Screening Committee's review of screening for genetic haemochromatosis in adults including an evaluation of recent medical research published since the committee last considered the matter in 2015. (157955)
- 165 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what is the timetable for publication of the conclusions of the UK National Screening Committee's review of screening for genetic haemochromatosis in adults. (157956)
- of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the publication of the MBRRACE Perinatal Confidential Enquiry into stillbirths and neonatal deaths in twin pregnancies, what steps he is taking to ensure that pregnant women expecting multiples are looked after by a multidisciplinary team of doctors, midwives and sonographers who are experts in twin pregnancies. (157977)
- 167N Dan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people in (a) the UK and (b) Yorkshire and Humber have been removed from the Shielded Patient List since March 2020. (158049)
- 168NDan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to notify people once they have been removed from the Shielded Patient List. (158050)

- 169NDan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will publish the guidance given to Clinical Commissioning Groups on vaccinating in-patients in hospitals. (158051)
- 170 Darren Jones (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Prime Minister's roadmap to ease covid-19 lockdown restrictions, published on 22 February 2021, what his planned timescale is for permitting (a) chess clubs and (b) chess competitions to resume their activities.
- 171 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what definition of severe and profound learning difficulties he uses for the purpose of covid-19 vaccine priority. (158100)
- 172 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the risk of covid-19 among people with a learning difficulty which is not severe and profound. (158101)
- 173 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to Question 130124 tabled by the hon. Member for Ellesmere Port and Neston on 15 December 2020. (158104)
- 174 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to answer Question 118537 tabled by the hon. Member for Ellesmere Port and Neston on 20 November 2020. (158105)
- 175 **Christian Matheson** (City of Chester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of adults with learning disabilities who are not identified as having that disability on the GP register. (158082)
- 176 **Christian Matheson** (City of Chester): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to identify and invite for covid-19 vaccinations those adults with learning disabilities who are not identified as such on their GP's register.

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- 177 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will expand free covid-19 testing to businesses with fewer than 50 employees. (158229)
- 178 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he has taken to ensure that inhaled interferon beta is manufactured in the UK in the event that final-stage clinical trials of the drug prove effective in treating covid-19. (158041)
- 179 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of placing advance orders for inhaled interferon beta, which is being trialled as a treatment for covid-19 in Newcastle's Royal Victoria Infirmary and other hospitals.

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- 180NSarah Owen (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of prioritising frontline police officers for receipt of the covid-19 vaccine. (158223)
- 181 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will collate and maintain records of the number of people who (a) apply and (b) are rejected at the initial checklist assessment stage for NHS Continuing Healthcare. (157980)
- 182 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason there has been a decline in the NHS Continuing Healthcare referral conversion rate in each year since 2017-18; and if he will make a statement. (157981)
- 183NRachel Reeves (Leeds West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish (a) a list of PPE orders agreed by the Government and subsequently cancelled since 1 March 2020 and (b) the reasons why those orders were cancelled.

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- 184NRachel Reeves (Leeds West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which companies have been awarded contracts for the hotel covid-19 quarantine system.

 [Transferred] (157091)
- 185NRachel Reeves (Leeds West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans the Government has to hold itself accountable for procurement practices under the terms of the new NHS White Paper. (158021)
- 186 Mr Barry Sheerman (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he is having with Cabinet colleagues and healthcare professionals across NHS trusts to make an assessment of the potential merits of changing hospital visiting policies as a result of the covid-19 vaccine roll-out. (157957)
- 187NCat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the Patient Safety Commissioner's responsibilities are planned to be.

 (158108)
- 188 Cat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is holding discussions with relevant stakeholders on making the Medicines in Pregnancy Valproate Registry mandatory for all pregnant women who take anti-epilepsy medication. (158109)
- 189 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to increase funding into safer medicines research for drugs taken by pregnant and postnatal women. (158110)
- 190 Cat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has taken steps to create a redress agency for people harmed by medicines, including sodium valproate, as recommended in the Independent Medicines and Medical Devices Safety Review. (158111)

- 191 Henry Smith (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will engage with the rare disease and blood cancer communities to ensure that rare conditions such as mycosis fungoides and Sézary syndrome, two subtypes of skin lymphoma, are considered when drafting the UK Rare Disease Framework national action plans.
- **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of a national campaign on differential diagnosis between common skin conditions such as eczema and psoriasis and Cutaneous T-Cell Lymphoma, a very rare type of blood cancer. (158005)
- 193 Henry Smith (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the UK Rare Disease Framework, what steps he plans to take to engage with the rare blood cancer community to improve care coordination for people living with mycosis fungoides and Sézary syndrome, two subtypes of Cutaneous T-Cell Lymphoma, a rare blood cancer. (158006)
- **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to (a) improve early diagnosis of mycosis fungoides and Sézary syndrome, two subtypes of Cutaneous T-cell lymphoma and (b) ensure adults with that condition are not misdiagnosed. (158007)
- **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment has been made of the adequacy of treatment provisions for people diagnosed with advanced-stage of mycosis fungoides and Sézary syndrome, two subtypes of Cutaneous T-Cell Lymphoma. (158008)
- 196 Henry Smith (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government has taken to enable equitable access to treatment and care for people living with mycosis fungoides and Sézary syndrome, two subtypes of Cutaneous T-cell lymphoma. (158009)
- **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the current referral to treatment time is for cancer patients in the London Borough of Redbridge. (158133)
- **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what funding he has allocated to the London Borough of Redbridge through the public health grant in each year since 2010. (158137)
- **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of vitamin C in the treatment of covid-19; and what steps his Department has taken to make use of vitamin C as part of covid-19 treatment. (158031)
- **Giles Watling** (Clacton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that maternity units implement the recommendations in the MBRRACE Perinatal Confidential Enquiry into stillbirths and neonatal deaths in twin pregnancies. (158196)

- 201NDr Philippa Whitford (Central Ayrshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has for a review of healthcare personal protective equipment guidelines in response to the greater infectiousness of the B117 covid-19 variant. (158081)
- 202NDan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, which Independent Power Plants (IPP)
 and Captive Power Plants (CPP) in Nigeria are now owned by the UK Government
 as a result of CDC's acquisition of a majority stake in CPGNL Limited. (158185)
- 203NDan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the value is of the Government's
 proposed investment in the Temane gas-fired power station in Mozambique
 through CDC Group's Globeleq subsidiary. (158186)
- 204N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the total value is of CDC Group's
 current investments in (a) solar and (b) wind energy in Mozambique. (158187)
- 205NDan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the total value is of (a) the
 UK government's proposed investment in the Qua Iboe gas-fired power
 station in Nigeria through CDC Group's Globeleq subsidiary, (b) CDC Group's
 current investments in fossil fuel energy in Nigeria and (c) CDC Group's current
 investments in renewable energy in Nigeria. (158188)
- 206N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many legacy investments in fossil
 fuels within the CDC Group's portfolio have been phased out since 2018. (158189)
- 207NDrew Hendry (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has taken steps to support British nationals overseas in accessing covid-19 vaccines. (158113)
- 208 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what most recent assessment he has
 made of the effect of the covid-19 pandemic on health systems in sub-Saharan
 Africa. (158205)
- 209 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking ahead of COP26

 to work with partners in the global south on tackling climate change. (158206)
- 210 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that
 his Department allocates aid to projects that are focused on poverty. (158207)
- 211 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps the Government has
 taken to help achieve gender equality in the Global South. (158208)

- 212 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations his Department
 has made to the United Nations Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide
 on the killing of Uighurs and other minorities in Xinjian; whether he has sought
 legal advice on whether the criteria set out in the Convention for a genocide
 determination may have been met; and if he will make a statement. (157997)
- 213N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations he has made to
 his Israeli counterpart on the demolition of Palestinian homes. (158055)
- 214N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with the
 Israeli Government on the covid-19 vaccination rates of Palestinians living under
 Israeli occupation. (158056)
- 215N Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans he has to make representations to the Bahraini Government before the hearing of Sayed Hasan Ameen takes place to secure his immediate release and to avoid his detention being renewed.
- 216NLayla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans his Department has to make representations to the Bahraini Government on the release of (a) Mohammed Jafar, (b) Fares Husain, (c) Sayed Hasan Ameen from prison. (158191)
- 217 Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations his Department is making to the Bahraini Government on the (a) treatment of peaceful protest and assembly in that country and (b) risk that its application of alternative sentencing is discriminatory. (158192)
- 218 Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations his Department is making to the Bahraini Government on securing the release of Abdulhadi Mushaima. (158193)
- 219N Grahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when he last made representations to
 (a) his Moroccan counterpart and (b) the Moroccan Ambassador on the continuing
 hostilities between Morocco and the Polisario Front resulting from the Moroccan
 breach of the 1991 ceasefire agreement in Western Sahara. (158016)
- 220NGrahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will raise in the UN Security
 Council the ongoing instability in the Mahgreb following the renewed hostilities
 in the Western Sahara. (158017)

- 221Nlan Murray (Edinburgh South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much and what proportion of the
 2021 Official Development Assistance budget had been allocated as part of longterm spending commitments before the start of 2021. (158010)
- 222Nlan Murray (Edinburgh South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much Official Development
 Assistance (ODA) funding his Department and its predecessors allocated to the
 humanitarian response in Yemen in (a) 2019 and (b) 2020; and how much ODA
 funding his Department plans to allocate to that matter in 2021. (158011)
- 223Nlan Murray (Edinburgh South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans his Department has to
 announce a contribution to the UN's Virtual High-Level Pledging Event for the
 Humanitarian Situation in Yemen. (158012)
- 224Nlan Murray (Edinburgh South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking
 to ensure that the UN's Virtual High-Level Pledging Event for the Humanitarian
 Situation in Yemen promotes improved humanitarian access. (158013)
- 225NSarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with
 the US administration on the closure of Guantanamo Bay since the election of
 President Biden.
 (158154)
- 226NMatthew Pennycook (Greenwich and Woolwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much of the Government's £5.8 billion pledge for International Climate Finance committed to the period 2016-17 to 2020-21 was spent in each of those financial years; and how much of the £11.6 billion the Government has committed to International Climate Finance between 2021-22 and 2025-26 is planned to be spent in each of those financial years.
- 227 Andrew Percy (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with the
 International Criminal Court on that Court's determination that it has jurisdiction
 over East Jerusalem, the West Bank and Gaza. (158002)
- 228 Andrew Percy (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of
 the effect on the Middle East peace process of the February 2021 International
 Criminal Court ruling on the situation of Palestine. (158003)
- 229 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what diplomatic steps he is taking in partnership with UN Security Council partners to halt the Houthi offensive in Marib, Yemen. (157965)

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

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what humanitarian assistance his

 Department is providing to Yemen. (157966)
- Wes Streeting (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations he has made
 to the Government of Israel on (a) the case of Issa Amro and (b) upholding
 Palestinians' right to undertake take non-violent protest in support of Palestinian
 human rights and statehood.

 (158135)
- Neil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 5 October 2020 to Question 96770 on Windrush Lessons Learned Review, if she will publish a progress report on that full evaluation of the compliant environment policy and measures. (158072)
- 233 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 16 February 2021 to Question 151819 on Asylum: Homelessness, how (a) homeless and (b) other asylum-seeking persons are made aware that they can obtain support through contact with her Department.

 (158173)
- 234 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her Department's plans are for a new immigration removal centre for women on the former site of Hassockfield Secure Training Centre, County Durham. (157991)
- Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what monitoring and evaluation is conducted on the contracts held by companies providing accommodation to asylum seekers. (157992)
- 236 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what penalties are incurred by asylum seeker accommodation providers in the event that they do not meet the requirements of their contracts.

 (157993)
- 237 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Government's response to recommendation 17 of the Windrush Lessons Learned Review as set out in the Comprehensive Improvement Plan, whether the ethical decision making model has been produced. (157994)
- 238 Carla Lockhart (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the Computer Misuse Act 1990 as a result of increased reliance on secure digital technologies during the covid-19 pandemic and the increased threat posed by cyber crime. (158235)

- 239 Carla Lockhart (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions she has had with the devolved Administrations on (a) violence reduction strategies and (b) where she plans to allocate additional funding to help tackle violence in the devolved regions. (158237)
- 240NBell Ribeiro-Addy (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what equalities and human rights impact assessments she plans to undertake ahead of bringing forward legislative proposals on the right to protest.

(158217)

- 241NBell Ribeiro-Addy (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

 Department, whether she has consulted protest groups on any forthcoming
 legislative proposals related to protest. (158218)
- 242NLiz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans her Department has to suspend the use of the Penally training camp as temporary accommodation for asylum seekers between 21 March and mid-April 2021 as the camp will be under occupation but without the requisite planning consents in place during that period. (158149)
- 243NLiz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many confirmed cases of covid-19 there have been at the temporary accommodation site for asylum seekers at Penally training camp since September 2020. (158150)
- 244N Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

 Department, when she plans to publish her Department's response to its Firearms

 Safety consultation. (158112)
- 245 **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) police officers and (b) police staff serve in the London Borough of Redbridge in February 2021 compared to May 2010. (158131)
- 246 **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much funding has been provided to support the London Fire Brigade in the London Borough of Redbridge in each year since 2010. (158139)
- 247NDave Doogan (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will list the

 Army bases and establishments in Scotland which are in use. (158213)
- 248NDave Doogan (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will list the Royal Air Force bases and establishments in Scotland which are in use. (158214)
- 249NDave Doogan (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will list the Royal Navy shore-based establishments in Scotland which are in use. (158215)
- 250 **Felicity Buchan** (Kensington): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of allocating funding to specialist retirement housing to tackle the housing shortage; and if he will make a statement. (158230)

- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the Planning for the Future White Paper, updated on 4 February 2021, whether neighbourhood plans will still be able to allocate sites (a) housing and (b) other development to shape development and growth in the local area. (158221)
- 252 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, with reference to the White Paper, Planning for the Future, whether he plans to enable neighbourhood plans to continue to include development management policies. (158222)
- 253 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment his Department made of the potential merits of using ONS 2014-based Household Projections data to calculate standard method housing targets, rather than 2018-based Household Projections. (157995)
- 254NColleen Fletcher (Coventry North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, what steps his Department is taking to
 support first-time homebuyers in (a) Coventry North East constituency and (b)
 Coventry.

 (158078)
- 255NColleen Fletcher (Coventry North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps his Department is taking to support homeownership in (a) Coventry North East constituency and (b) Coventry.

 (158080)
- 256NDan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

 Communities and Local Government, what assessment his Department has made
 of the effectiveness of support available for customers using the Help to Buy
 Scheme when seeking to apply for a (a) deed of postponement and (b) deed of
 release.

 (158052)
- 257NMrs Emma Lewell-Buck (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, when the covid-19 roadmap guidance will
 be updated to cover fairgrounds and travelling fairgrounds; and whether that
 guidance will include discretionary guidance for local authorities. (158070)
- 258NMrs Emma Lewell-Buck (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, how much has been allocated to local
 authorities through the Additional Restrictions Grant; how much of that funding
 has (a) been spent and (b) remains unspent to date; and what the timeframe is for
 local authorities to allocated that grant funding.

 (158071)
- 259NGrahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will extend The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police

- and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 to allow town and parish councils to meet online until at least 21 June 2021 when all covid-19 restrictions are due to be lifted. (158018)
- 260NSteve Reed (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

 Communities and Local Government, if he will publish the names of all Town Deal

 Board Chairs. (158065)
- 261N**Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

 Communities and Local Government, if he will publish documents of each bid submitted for a Town Deal. (158066)
- 262NSteve Reed (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

 Communities and Local Government, whether it is his policy that remaining Town

 Deal bids will be assessed by 29 March 2021. (158067)
- 263 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,

 Communities and Local Government, what support is available to local authorities

 to manage the increase in demand for local authority searches. (157967)
- 264 **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, how much funding his Department has
 allocated to the London Borough of Redbridge in each year since 2010. (158134)
- Wes Streeting (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what funding he has allocated to support the construction of new homes in the London Borough of Redbridge in each year since 2010. (158136)
- Wes Streeting (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, what funding his Department has allocated
 to the London Borough of Redbridge to support (a) faith communities and (b)
 inter-faith work, in each year since 2010. (158138)
- 267NZarah Sultana (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
 Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the
 potential merits of introducing a covid-19 rent debt fund for renters in financial
 difficulties as a result of the covid-19 outbreak.

 [Transferred] (157315)
- 268 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to help reduce the cost of services provided by funeral companies. (158224)
- 269 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of creating a statutory definition of child criminal exploitation, in terms of improving (a) sentencing, (b) probation management in the community, (c) rehabilitation in custody and (d) resettlement and probation support after release from custody. (157983)

- 270 Ms Lyn Brown (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the evidence given to the Public Accounts Committee by the Chief Executive of HM Prison and Probation Service on the 11 February 2021, Q46, which prisons will receive a share of the 1,000 extra temporary accommodation places; and how many each prison will receive. (157984)
- 271 Ms Lyn Brown (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the evidence given to the Public Accounts Committee by the Chief Executive of HM Prison and Probation Service on the 11 February 2021, Q46, what the cost is of the 1,000 extra temporary accommodation places. (157985)
- 272 Ms Lyn Brown (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the evidence given to the Public Accounts Committee by the Chief Executive of HM Prison and Probation Service on the 11 February 2021, Q46, how many temporary accommodation cells, additional to the accommodation available in March 2020, he plans to have installed by 1 January 2022. (157986)
- 273 Ms Lyn Brown (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the evidence given to the Public Accounts Committee by the Chief Executive of HM Prison and Probation Service on the 11 February 2021, Q46, what lessons have been learnt on the (a) suitability and (b) value for money of temporary accommodation constructed within prison sites from the experience during the covid-19 outbreak to date. (157987)
- 274 Ms Lyn Brown (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the evidence given to the Public Accounts Committee by the Chief Executive of HM Prison and Probation Service on the 11 February 2021, Q46, what assessment he has made of the effect of increased use of accommodation within existing prison sites on access of residents to (a) healthcare, (b) education, (c) exercise and (d) association spaces and (e) other shared prison facilities over the next two years. (157988)
- 275NBambos Charalambous (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to his Department's press release, Extra funding for organisations that steer women away from crime, published on 23 January 2021, if will publish the Programme business case for the 500 new prison places to be built in existing women's prisons. (158155)
- 276NBambos Charalambous (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the announcement on the 23 January 2021 that up to 500 new prison places will be built in existing women's prisons, if his Department will publish the modelling used in the programme's Strategic Case that the recruitment of an extra 20,000 police officers is expected to cause a temporary increase in the female prison population. (158156)
- 277 Mr Jonathan Lord (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to reduce crime in prisons. (158036)

- 278 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to modernise prisons. (158037)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when his Department plans to publish the outcome of the consultation on Judicial Mandatory Retirement Age, which closed on 16 October 2020. (158091)
- 280 **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many cases are awaiting trial at Barkingside Magistrates Court; and what estimate he has made of the current average waiting time for a case to reach the court. (158132)
- 281NBarbara Keeley (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Prime Minister, when he plans to respond to the the letter dated 3 September 2020 entitled Overdue Social Care Reform Must Start With Parity of Respect for the Workforce, from signatories including former Ministers at the then Department of Health; and if he will make a statement.
- 282NFleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of reducing the bank overdraft penalty rate for the remainder of the covid-19 outbreak. (158226)
- 283NAlex Davies-Jones (Pontypridd): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the effect of the Access to Banking Protocol on preventing bank and building society branch closures. (158231)
- 284N Alex Davies-Jones (Pontypridd): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an estimate of the number of high street bank branches that have closed in (a) England and (b) Wales in each year since 2015.
- 285NAlex Davies-Jones (Pontypridd): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of introducing legislative proposals to help protect access for consumers to local banking services. (158233)
- 286NColleen Fletcher (Coventry North East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of financial support schemes for businesses in (a) Coventry North East constituency and (b) Coventry during the covid-19 outbreak. (158076)
- Colleen Fletcher (Coventry North East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what fiscal steps his Department is taking to support self-employed people in

 (a) Coventry North East constituency and (b) Coventry ineligible for the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme.
 (158077)
- 288 **Richard Fuller** (North East Bedfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to Green Book Supplementary Document: Social discount rates for Cost-Benefit Analysis: A Report for HM Treasury, published 16 November 2020, what assessment he has made of the effect of the proposed changes to social discount rates on (a) productivity of the economy and (b) other key economic factors.

- 289NDrew Hendry (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of trends in the level of telephony waiting times customers experience when calling HMRC. (158114)
- 290 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will extend the Airport and Ground Operations Support scheme to cover business rates for 2021-22. (158238)
- 291 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will extend the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme beyond 30 April 2021 to protect viable jobs in the aviation sector. (158239)
- 292 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions he has had with bank chief executives on the maintenance of the UK cash network; and if he will make a statement. (158201)
- 293NBarbara Keeley (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when he plans to respond to the letter dated 29 October 2020, entitled Time for a Fair Deal, and signed by former Ministers at the then Department of Health; and if he will make a statement. (157990)
- 294 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what fiscal steps his Department is taking to support charities during the covid-19 outbreak.

 (158038)
- 295NGrahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will ensure that businesses that are unable to operate due to covid-19 lockdown rules but have not been mandated to close are eligible for the Additional Restrictions

 Support Grant. (158015)
- 296N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if his Department will make an assessment of the (a) effect of the small brewers relief scheme on the survival and growth of the UK's small independent breweries and (b) potential merits of extending the scheme. (158151)
- 297NSarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of taxing income from capital by abolishing the separate Capital Gains Tax-free allowance and taxing capital gains and salaries through a single allowance. (158152)
- 298N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will increase the support available via the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme (SEISS) grant to include new entrants with a 2019/20 tax return. (158153)
- 299NKirsten Oswald (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what plans he has to tackle increases in the level of rent arrears in the private rented sector as a result of the covid-19 outbreak. (158084)

- 300 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make available funding to increase local housing allowance to cover average rents.

 (158085)
- 301 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make available funding to abolish the household benefit cap. (158086)
- 302 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will create a covid rent debt fund to support people dealing with rent arrears built up during the pandemic. (158087)
- 303NYasmin Qureshi (Bolton South East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will announce a long term funding settlement for fire and rescue services in Budget 2021. (157996)
- 304N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether funding from the proposed 0.2 per cent reduction in the Official Development Assistance budget will be used to fund Town Deals. (158069)
- 305 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what plans she has to tackle misinformation on covid-19 vaccines to ensure all communities have access to accurate information. (158033)

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Questions for Written Answer

1N Steve Reed (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing,
Communities and Local Government, whether successful Town Deal bids are
planned to be announced on or before 29 March 2021. (158068)