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Questions tabled on Thursday 8 July 2021

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Questions for Answer on Monday 12 July

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will publish the Government's response to the statement from the EU Commission dated 30 June entitled EU-UK relations: solutions found to help implementation of the Protocol on Ireland and Northern Ireland. (29948)
- 2N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what information his Department holds on the number of veterans employed on zero hours contracts. [Transferred] (28302)
- 3 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of reporting external meetings of (a) special advisers and (b) senior officials below Permanent Secretary level, on a similar basis to that which applies to Ministers and Permanent Secretaries. (29755)
- 4 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what provisions will be put in place for people who remain concerned about covid-19 infection as singing is reintroduced in churches. (29844)
- 5 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the President of COP26, with reference to the Local Government Association motion on Local Government contributions towards national climate action in the year of COP26, published on 7 July

2021, what steps he is taking to ensure the adequate representation of local government at COP26 in order to highlight the progress being made on climate change at a local level. (29769)

- 6 **Christian Wakeford** (Bury South): To ask the President of COP26, what steps he is taking to help ensure that the COP26 summit results in commitments to reduce emissions from (a) agriculture and (b) the wider land use sector, without those emissions being displaced to other countries. [Transferred] (29169)
- 7N **Lilian Greenwood** (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has plans to create a minister for hospitality. [Transferred] (28159)
- 8N **Angus Brendan MacNeil** (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to trials, pilots and full-scale projects underway in countries including France, Austria, Germany, Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, Italy on using hydrogen to produce primary steel, what steps she is taking to ensure steel production in the UK keeps pace with international competitors on developing and using clean steel production technology. [Transferred] (29000)
- 9 **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 implications for his policies of the recommendation from the Climate Change Committee's 2021 Report to Parliament to set requirements for all new gas boilers to be hydrogen-ready by 2025 at the latest, while ensuring that all new boilers outperform current and expected future air quality standards. (29820)
- 10 **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 implications for his policies of the recommendation from the Climate Change Committee's 2021 Report to Parliament that Ofgem undertake a programme of research with his Department to identify priority candidate areas for hydrogen for the decarbonisation of heat. (29821)
- 11 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many Green Homes Grant applications were (a) received and (b) approved in each month since January 2021 for (i) England and (ii) Ellesmere Port and Neston constituency. (29822)
- 12 **Mark Menzies** (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to ensure sufficient provision of skilled alternative heat source technologies engineers to help facilitate the move away from gas boilers to new technologies, such as ground or air source heat pumps. (29777)
- 13 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to encourage the production of electrolytic hydrogen in the UK. [Transferred] (28948)

- 14 **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps his Department is taking with social media companies to tackle fake social media profiles that spread misinformation and are operated from hostile states. (29899)
- 15 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the provision of subtitles on catch up TV platforms. (29819)
- 16N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what data his Department holds on the number of local authority football pitches that have been sold in each of the last 10 years. [Transferred] (29054)
- 17 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what financial assistance is available to support schools and colleges with the cost of essential maintenance work. (29910)
- 18 **Mark Jenkinson** (Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to ensure that information on a pupil's (a) family status and (b) known issues at home are routinely transferred from primary to secondary school. [R] (29912)
- 19 **Mark Jenkinson** (Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to close the learning gap between boys and girls. [R] (29914)
- 20 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what guidance his Department has published on the use of the NHS App for teachers and headteachers; and whether teachers are required to switch off that App while at work. (29846)
- 21 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the level of risk to teaching and support staff of the rise in the rate of covid-19 infection among school-aged children. (29847)
- 22 **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing the minimum fine for unlawfully depositing waste. [Transferred] (29008)
- 23 **Ms Harriet Harman** (Camberwell and Peckham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the use of polystyrene chips in packaging. (29724)
- 24 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, (a) for what reason the ring-fenced budget for the Office for Environmental Protection has been reduced from five to three years, (b) when this decision was made and (c) why it was not communicated to Parliament. (29772)

- 25 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions he has had with relevant stakeholders on the timeframe for the continuation of discounts to UK REACH applicable fees for small and medium-sized enterprises. (29811)
- 26 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his timetable is for announcing a final decision on Natural England's proposals for the English coastal path from Birkenhead to the Welsh border. (29817)
- 27 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to respond in full to the 27 proposals of the Landscapes review published in September 2019. (29892)
- 28 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the proposals of the Landscapes review published in September 2019 on (a) the planning system, (b) a night under the stars in a national landscape for every child, (c) increasing the ethnic diversity of visitors to national landscapes, (d) landscapes that cater for and improve the nation's health and wellbeing, (e) expanding volunteering in national landscapes, (f) sustainable tourism, (g) joining up national trails with national landscapes, (h) expanding open access rights in national landscapes, (i) affordable homes in national landscapes, (j) public transport, (k) a city park competition, (l) a better designations process, (m) reformed governance and (n) more funding and a new financial model. (29893)
- 29 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions he has held with Cabinet colleagues on each of the 27 proposals in the Landscapes review published in September 2019. (29894)
- 30 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions he has held with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the increase in funding for national landscapes proposed in the Landscapes review published in September 2019. (29895)
- 31 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he has plans to merge and centralise the management of national parks and areas of outstanding national beauty. (29896)
- 32 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to issue a consultation on the future management structure for national landscapes. (29897)

- 33 **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what funding allocation he plans to make to Dartmoor under the Farming in Protected Landscapes programme for (a) 2022-23 and (b) 2023-24. (29898)
- 34 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to minimise the impact of air pollution on children's development. [Transferred] (28951)
- 35 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to mitigate the impact of air pollution on people who are suffering from long-term asthma. [Transferred] (28952)
- 36 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to reduce the impact of air pollution on children's development. [Transferred] (28958)
- 37 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that people with long-term asthma are not impacted by high levels of air pollution. [Transferred] (28959)
- 38 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Government's recent announcement on the COP26 initiative to protect the world's forests, what steps he has taken to strengthen measures to protect forests in the UK. [Transferred] (29113)
- 39 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what support her Department is providing for UK maritime businesses to attend overseas trade shows. (29778)
- 40 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what discussions her Department has had with relevant stakeholders on (a) the cancellation of the Tradeshow Access Programme and (b) a replacement scheme for that programme. (29779)
- 41 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what discussions her Department had with relevant stakeholders ahead of the cancellation of the Tradeshow Access Programme. (29780)
- 42 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with insurance companies on DVLA guidance in respect of drivers driving on an expired licence while waiting for a replacement licence to be issued. (29890)
- 43 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with his EU counterparts on ensuring that recipients of the AstraZeneca covid-19 vaccine are treated equitably within international travel arrangements. (29925)

- 44 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions have taken place with (a) community stakeholders and (b) disabled stakeholders on the introduction of e-scooter trials. (29929)
- 45N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the effect of the three-stop limit for hauliers on those working with touring musicians and events across the EU. [Transferred] (29110)
- 46 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to increase rail transport infrastructure in Ledsham Garden Village. (29812)
- 47 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the decision making criteria are for applications to the Stations Fund for Ellesmere Port and Neston. (29813)
- 48 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent steps he has taken to review rail transport options in (a) Ellesmere Port and Neston constituency, (b) Cheshire West and Chester and (c) the North of England. (29814)
- 49 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many train stations per resident there are in (a) Ellesmere Port and Neston constituency and (b) England. (29815)
- 50 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to publish the feedback analysis of the consultation on timetable options to improve rail performance in the North of England. (29818)
- 51 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of the evidence supporting the placement of the United Arab Emirates in the red list for travel. (29825)
- 52 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing specific coaches on trains which require the wearing of masks during the covid-19 outbreak. (29842)
- 53 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many homes have been compulsorily purchased by HS2 Ltd. (29790)
- 54 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many villages the HS2 route travels through; and what recent assessment the Government has made of the impact on housing supply in those villages. (29791)
- 55 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent estimate his Department has made of the area of land required for the HS2 project including depots, facilities and stations. (29792)

- 56 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to encourage more local authorities to introduce Clean Air Zones. [Transferred] (28963)
- 57 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to improve air quality in urban areas. [Transferred] (28964)
- 58 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the level of additional funding required for the Zero Emissions Bus Regional Areas scheme beyond 2021-22 to achieve the Government's target of 4,000 new zero-emission buses. (29935)
- 59 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many applications his Department has received for the Zero Emissions Bus Regional Areas scheme as at 8 June 2021. (29936)
- 60 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to announce the results from the Zero Emissions Bus Regional Areas application process. (29937)
- 61 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate his Department has made of the number of new zero-emissions buses that will be funded through the Zero Emissions Bus Regional Areas scheme. (29938)
- 62 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has held with (a) relevant stakeholders and (b) Cabinet colleagues on the potential continuation of the Zero Emissions Bus Regional Areas scheme into 2022-23. (29939)
- 63 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate his Department has made of the number of new zero-emissions buses funded through the Zero Emissions Bus Regional Areas scheme that will be manufactured in the UK. (29940)
- 64 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has held with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on future funding beyond 2021-22 for the Zero Emissions Bus Regional Areas scheme. (29941)
- 65 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions his Department has held with relevant stakeholders on prioritising UK bus manufacturers through the Zero Emissions Bus Regional Areas scheme. (29942)
- 66 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy on (a) the production and distribution of green hydrogen to bus depots and (b) requirements of electricity capacity at bus depots to support an increase in zero-emissions vehicles introduced through the Zero Emissions Bus Regional Areas (ZEBRA) scheme. (29943)

- 67 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what support his Department is providing to decarbonise the coach sector. (29944)
- 68 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what support his Department is providing to increase the availability of (a) electric charging points and (b) hydrogen refuelling stations required by bus and coach operators. (29945)
- 69 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions his Department has had with local authorities to ensure the roll-out of zero-emissions vehicles and infrastructure is coordinated across the UK, and aligns with the Government's net-zero targets. (29946)
- 70 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much her Department recovered from overpayments that were as a result of her Department's and not the claimant's error in each month in the most recent period for which figures are available; and what the average amount of overpayment due to her Department's error was recovered from each such claimant. (29888)
- 71 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many direct earnings attachments her Department has put in place in each year since the Welfare Reform Act 2012 enabled recovery of overpayments as a result of errors made by her Department rather than the claimant; and what estimate she has made of the amount that has been overpaid in error by her Department in each year since 2012. (29889)
- 72 **Marion Fellows** (Motherwell and Wishaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much the Child Maintenance Service collected in application and processing fees for the collect and pay service during the (a) financial year 2020-2021 and (b) first financial quarter of 2021-22. (29832)
- 73 **Marion Fellows** (Motherwell and Wishaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how the Child Maintenance Service (a) identifies and (b) responds to parents who perpetuate coercive control by (i) failing to pay, (ii) partly paying and (iii) irregularly paying the child maintenance they owe. (29833)
- 74 **Marion Fellows** (Motherwell and Wishaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of parents who receive child maintenance and are exempted from the £20 application fee for the Child Maintenance Service collect and pay service on grounds of domestic abuse are (a) men and (b) women. (29834)
- 75 **Marion Fellows** (Motherwell and Wishaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of parents who receive child maintenance and are exempted from the £20 application fee for the Child Maintenance Service collect and pay service are (a) men and (b) women. (29835)

- 76 **Marion Fellows** (Motherwell and Wishaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of parents who are paying child maintenance and the 20 per cent fee through the Child Maintenance Service collect and pay service are (a) men and (b) women. (29836)
- 77 **Marion Fellows** (Motherwell and Wishaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of parents receiving child maintenance and paying the 4 per cent fee through the Child Maintenance Service collect and pay service are (a) men and (b) women. (29837)
- 78 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Answer of 28 April 2021 to Question 186186 on Bereavement Support Payment, what his timetable is for completing the evaluation of the Bereavement Support Payment. (29816)
- 79 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the change in the level of the cost of living in the decision to remove the £20 uplift to universal credit. (29852)
- 80 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she plans to remove the freeze and uprate on pensions of British-expats living in Canada. (29930)
- 81 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make it her policy to encourage employers to offer halal-compliant pensions to employees. (29947)
- 82 **Ms Diane Abbott** (Hackney North and Stoke Newington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential effect on covid-19 risk for immunocompromised people after the planned easing of covid-19 restrictions on July 19 2021. (29725)
- 83 **Ms Diane Abbott** (Hackney North and Stoke Newington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department has taken to help reduce the risk of contracting covid-19 for immunocompromised people after the planned easing of covid-19 restrictions on 19 July 2021. (29726)
- 84 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that those suffering with terminal medical conditions have dignity at the end of their lives. (29928)
- 85 **Ben Bradley** (Mansfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the ability of hydroxyl free radical air purification technologies to prevent the primary cause of covid-19 transmission via aerosol and water droplets. (29886)
- 86 **Marsha De Cordova** (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of proposals to set a target to reduce the maternity mortality gaps experienced by Black and Asian women. (29891)

- 87 **Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to encourage people to take up careers in (a) the pharmaceutical sector and (b) high street pharmacies. (29922)
- 88 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of making it mandatory to have defibrillators in public places. (29880)
- 89 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to increase the availability of NHS Dentist appointments. (29881)
- 90 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to make a comparative assessment of the number of (a) people requiring care and (b) carers who are qualified and employed in England. (29882)
- 91 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with relevant stakeholders on the finding of the AffiDX antigen lateral flow covid-19 test small-scale study that that test outperformed two lateral flow antigen tests which are commercially available in Europe when detecting the Delta variant of the SARS-CoV-2. (29810)
- 92 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with the European Commission on the recognition of certain AstraZeneca batches by the EU Digital Covid-19 Certificate. (29826)
- 93 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 6 July to Question 13987, what steps he has taken to centrally validate the data on the passengers entering from red list countries who have been successful in applying for exemption from the hotel quarantine requirements. (29827)
- 94 **Taiwo Owatemi** (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how his Department plans to ensure that people who are not digitally literate will be guaranteed the same access to GP appointments as those who are able to book online. (29921)
- 95 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish (a) the company name and (b) the contract value for each contract that a Chinese or Chinese-financed company holds with (i) his Department and (ii) the NHS; and if he will make a statement. (29739)
- 96 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether (a) he and (b) his officials have had discussions with (i) the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and (ii) officials in his Department on suppliers to the NHS with reference to the National Security and Investment Act 2021; and if he will make a statement. (29740)

- 97 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the new research published on the treatment of fibromyalgia. (29794)
- 98 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what representations he is making to his international counterparts on allowing people participating in the Novavax covid-19 vaccine trial to travel overseas. (29831)
- 99 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the timescale is for Public Health England completing its investigation into the sale of menthol cigarettes; and if he will publish preliminary findings of that investigation. (29951)
- 100 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with the (a) Israeli Ambassador and (b) Palestinian Consulate on the provision of covid-19 vaccines to people living in the Occupied Palestinian Territories. (29926)
- 101 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with (a) the Israeli Ambassador and (b) Palestinian Ambassador on (i) equitable access to covid-19 vaccines and (ii) protecting human and children's rights in that region. (29927)
- 102 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if the Government will provide covid-19 vaccines to the Palestinian Authority from supplies surplus to UK needs. (29829)
- 103N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the Answer of 23 October 2020 to Question 106362 and with reference to his Department's management of the Integrated Activity Fund (IAF) from 2016-18, how many projects delivered through the IAF (a) were and (b) were not subject to an Overseas Security and Justice Assistance assessment in each of the (i) 2016-17 and (ii) 2017-18 financial years. [Transferred] (28991)
- 104 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what criteria he has set out to re-enter Afghanistan following the withdrawal of troops from that country. (29848)
- 105 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether hon. Members will have a vote on future military operations in Afghanistan in the event that the Government plans to re-enter that country. (29849)
- 106 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, through which international mechanisms he plans to monitor the levels of risk in Afghanistan; and what mechanisms he plans to use to respond to risk with other actors or alone. (29850)

- 107 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he plans to take to advance (a) humanitarian aid and (b) a peace process in Afghanistan. (29851)
- 108 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make it his policy to ship at least 1.4 million AstraZeneca covid-19 vaccine doses to Nepal in the next few weeks to allow vulnerable people who have had one dose, receive their second within the appropriate timeframe. (29795)
- 109 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is planning to take in response to the situation in Nepal where 1.4 million vulnerable people require AstraZeneca covid-19 vaccines in the next seven days before the timeframe elapses for a second dose. (29796)
- 110 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has of (a) the need for 1.4 million AstraZeneca vaccines in Nepal by mid-July and (b) the UK's ability to meet that need. (29797)
- 111 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if the UK will provide 40 million covid-19 vaccine doses to Nepal over the next few months to help the Government of Nepal meet its 72 per cent vaccination target. (29798)
- 112 **Alyn Smith** (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what meetings he has held with international nutrition aid organisations on changes to the level of funding for international development in 2021 to date. (29905)
- 113 **Alyn Smith** (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will provide details of the reduction in funding to nutrition based aid programmes, including the Technical Assistance for Nutrition (TAN) Programme. (29906)
- 114 **Alyn Smith** (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his priorities are for nutrition in the context of the Department's seven priority areas for international development set out in his oral contribution of 26 November 2020, Official report, column 1018. (29907)
- 115 **Alyn Smith** (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what impact assessment his Department has undertaken on reductions in nutrition aid funding on (a) international malnutrition and (b) the Government's aims for girls' education globally. (29908)

- 116N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to tackle the increase in the number of sophisticated scam text messages being received and resultant financial losses by the victims of those scams. [Transferred] (28971)
- 117 **Mark Jenkinson** (Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has made an assessment of the potential effect of fatherlessness on gang membership by young men. [R] (29913)
- 118 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many complaints have been received relating to Serco's management of homes of multiple occupation for asylum seekers in each of the last three years. (29823)
- 119 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of Serco's management of the housing contract for asylum seekers. (29824)
- 120 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Answer of 30 June to Question 21249, which body holds the data on fixed penalty notices that have been issued for breaches of covid-19 hotel quarantine restrictions. (29828)
- 121 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the performance and reliability of the View and Prove service for the EU Settlement Scheme. (29830)
- 122 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many applications have been made to the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy scheme since 1 April 2021; and how many of those applicants have been resettled in the UK. (29915)
- 123 **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether Millbrook Proving Ground are on schedule to report the results of its independent trials into noise and vibration issues with Ajax armoured vehicles in late July 2021. (29737)
- 124N **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to support the creation of well-paid, local jobs in town centres. [Transferred] (28384)
- 125 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment his Department has made of the merits of Regionally and Locally Determined Contributions in order to (a) complement and (b) support the delivery of the UK's Nationally Determined Contributions to reduce at least 68 per cent by 2030 compared to 1990 levels. (29770)
- 126 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the Climate Change Committee's 2021 Progress

Report to Parliament; and what steps he is taking to deliver that report's recommendation that his Department support local government to play a full role in the Net Zero transition including through increased funding and resources. (29771)

- 127 **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what comparative assessment his Department has made of the relative safety of the use of (a) waking watch fire patrols and (b) professionally installed fire alarm systems in buildings with unsafe building materials. (29758)
- 128 **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what regulation is in place to oversee companies offering waking watch fire patrols in buildings with unsafe cladding materials. (29759)
- 129 **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether his Department holds information on businesses providing waking watch services in buildings with unsafe cladding materials. (29760)
- 130 **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps his Department plans to take to ensure that local authorities have access to a list of approved providers of waking watch fire patrol. (29761)
- 131 **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what evidence his Department has relied upon when producing BS-5839 guidance on fire detection and alarm systems to instruct installers that communal areas in blocks of flats should not be fitted with fire alarm systems. (29762)
- 132 **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will review BS-5839 guidance on fire detection and alarm systems so that clear guidance is included on the installation of fire alarms in blocks of flats. (29763)
- 133 **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will review BS-5839 guidance on fire detection and alarm systems to insert guidance on Smart Alarm systems for high rise property. (29764)
- 134 **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what additional funding is being provided to local authorities to maintain waking watch fire patrol services in buildings with unsafe cladding. (29765)
- 135 **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what the annual cost was of waking watch fire patrols to each local authority in each of the last three years. (29766)

- 136 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what estimate has made of the number of positive covid-19 tests that have been recorded for staff in his Department who (a) would usually be based in 2 Marsham Street and (b) had been in 2 Marsham Street while carrying the virus since (i) the beginning of the pandemic and (ii) 15 May 2021. (29775)
- 137N **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what steps he is taking to ensure that employers are aware of the Hong Kong BNO visa scheme. [Transferred] (29142)
- 138 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what guidance his Department is providing to local planning authorities on local plans that are constrained as a result of pressures on the Green Belt. (29745)
- 139 **Matthew Pennycook** (Greenwich and Woolwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, when he plans to respond to the letter of 27 May 2021 from the hon. Member for Greenwich and Woolwich on ground rents on existing residential long leases. (29862)
- 140N **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans the Government has to bring forward legislative proposals to prevent disabled toilets and changing places being used for other purposes. [Transferred] (29010)
- 141N **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make it his policy not to transfer high-risk female offenders to E Wing at HMP Downview. (29877)
- 142 **Mark Jenkinson** (Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what plans he has to reduce the number of separation and divorce proceedings that end up in the family court system; and what steps he is taking to increase the use of mediation services. [R] (29911)
- 143 **Matthew Pennycook** (Greenwich and Woolwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of requiring jurors to have received (a) both doses of a covid-19 vaccine and (b) a negative covid-19 test before they are sworn in. (29860)
- 144 **Matthew Pennycook** (Greenwich and Woolwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of prohibiting those people selected for jury service from serving on juries if they have not received both doses of a covid-19 vaccine. (29861)
- 145 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Prime Minister, how he plans to ensure that people who are fearful of covid19 infection risks are able to protect themselves by insisting others wear face coverings and socially distance as infection levels rise. (29843)

- 146 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Prime Minister, how he plans to ensure that people who are concerned about covid-19 infection are supported to retain their freedom as the level of that infection rises. (29845)
- 147 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the number of Black and ethnic minority staff employed in his Department. (29900)
- 148 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of how to utilise the UK's Special Drawing Right allocation to make grant contributions ahead of the (a) autumn Comprehensive Spending Review and (b) COP26 climate summit; and if he will make a statement. (29767)
- 149 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of using the UK's Special Drawing Right allocation to increase grant funding for the United Nation's Green Climate Fund ahead of COP26. (29768)
- 150 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what recent representations has she made to the Chancellor of the Exchequer on reducing the unemployment gap for Black, Asian, and ethnic minority people in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) Greater London and (c) England. (29931)
- 151 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what recent discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on improving maternal care for (a) women living in poverty, (b) Black women, and (c) Asian women in Enfield North constituency. (29932)
- 152 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what recent discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions on supporting the creation of employment opportunities for disabled people in (a) Enfield North constituency, (b) Greater London and (c) England. (29933)
- 153 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what recent discussions she has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer to help ensure an equitable economic recovery for women from the Covid-19 outbreak. (29934)

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Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much each Department has spent on Union Flags in (a) Wales, (b) Scotland and (c) England in each year since 2018. (29732)

- 2N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the President of COP26, what steps the Government is taking to work with local authorities to reduce carbon emissions ahead of COP26. (29855)
- 3N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the President of COP26, what recent assessment he has made of the role of local authorities in delivering the policy objectives of COP26. (29856)
- 4N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the President of COP26, what recent meetings he has held with representatives of (a) councils and (b) local government organisations on the role of local government in meeting the national net zero target; and how he plans to articulate that matter at COP26. (29858)
- 5N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the President of COP26, what the Government's objectives are for the cities and built environment theme for COP26; and what steps he is taking to engage the UK's cities in delivering on those outcomes at COP26. (29859)
- 6N **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of the proposed new contract for sub-postmasters on the provision of post office services. (29884)
- 7N **Angus Brendan MacNeil** (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of potential additional policy measures needed to support future clean steel production in the UK. (29751)
- 8N **Angus Brendan MacNeil** (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of progress in Europe on trialling hydrogen-based steelmaking; and what steps he plans to take to ensure that the UK keeps up with international developments in clean steel production. (29752)
- 9N **Angus Brendan MacNeil** (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what his timeframe is for the allocation of the Clean Steel Fund; and what steps his Department has taken to ensure the effective allocation of that funding. (29753)
- 10N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if his Department will encourage banks to strengthen protections for their customers against fraudsters. (29873)
- 11N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of the Adoption Support Fund being allocated on a yearly basis instead of a multi-year settlement; and what assessment he has made of the potential effect of the short-term funding announcements on families and adoption agencies accessing that Fund for therapeutic support services. (29783)

- 12N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of Adoption UK's recommendation in the Adoption Barometer Report 2021 on extending adoption support to at least age 26. (29784)
- 13N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he plans to take in response to Adoption UK's Adoption Barometer 2021 finding that 71 per cent of newly placed adopters surveyed did not have a support plan in place; and what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the recommendation by Adoption UK that multi-disciplinary assessments be carried out for every child to be placed for adoption, and clear support plans put in place that anticipate future as well as current support needs. (29785)
- 14N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will work with regional and voluntary adoption agencies to create and implement quality standards for the journey of prospective adopters through preparation, approvals and matching. (29786)
- 15N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the (a) implications for his policies of the finding of Adoption UK's report entitled Adoption Barometer Report 2021 that only 45 per cent of respondents felt their child's teachers had a good understanding of the needs of care-experienced children and (b) potential merits of giving education and health professionals statutory training in early childhood trauma and associated conditions. (29787)
- 16N **Sir Greg Knight** (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what plans he has to ensure that more school pupils, especially those from urban and inner city areas, are taught about and encouraged to take an interest in wildlife conservation; and if he will make a statement. (29730)
- 17N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to improve ventilation in the classroom to help ensure the safety of pupils during the covid-19 outbreak. (29757)
- 18N **Alyn Smith** (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what the value was of exports of arms and military equipment to (a) Iraq, (b) Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories, (c) Libya, (d) Mali, (e) Myanmar, (f) Nicaragua, (g) Pakistan, (h) Russia, (i) Saudi Arabia, (j) Somalia, (k) South Sudan, (l) Sri Lanka, (m) Sudan, (n) Syria, (o) Turkmenistan, (p) Uzbekistan, (q) Venezuela, (r) Yemen and (s) Zimbabwe in 2020. (29903)
- 19N **Alyn Smith** (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what the value was of exports of arms and military equipment to (a) Afghanistan, (b) Bahrain, (c) Bangladesh, (d) Belarus, (e) Central African Republic, (f) China, (g) Colombia, (h) Democratic People's Republic of Korea, (i) Democratic Republic of Congo, (j) Egypt, (k) Eritrea, (l) Iran in 2020. (29904)

- 20N **Crispin Blunt** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what methodology his Department uses to allocate countries to the green, amber and red travel lists; and if he will publish that methodology. (29722)
- 21N **Crispin Blunt** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to make a decision on whether people who are double-vaccinated can be exempt from covid-19 quarantine measures. (29723)
- 22N **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many people over the age of 70 are waiting for a decision on the renewal of their driving licence following the expiry of their existing licence who applied for that renewal after the Government's covid-19 extension period expired on 31 December 2020. (29885)
- 23N **Lilian Greenwood** (Nottingham South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many and which highway authorities were notified that they could not bid for active travel capital funding for 2021-22 from Tranche 3 of the Active Travel Fund. (29781)
- 24N **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment has he made of the waiting times for HGV driving licence tests; and whether he has plans to take steps to reduce them. (29883)
- 25N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will enable people travelling from red list countries to isolate at home under local public health teams' supervision when covid-19 restrictions are eased on 19 July 2021. (29840)
- 26N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will reconsider the policy on mask wearing on public transport after 19 July 2021. (29841)
- 27N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Answer of 17 January 2020 to Question 1751 on London-Exeter Railway Line: Rolling Stock, whether he has exercised the call option over the leasing costs of the 36 Eversholt Rail funded class 802 bi-modes operating on the West of England route of the Great Western Region; and whether the discussions with the incumbent operator to secure the best price for all train leases for the existing train fleet have concluded. (29871)
- 28N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to help ensure adequate ventilation in (a) trains, (b) buses and (c) other forms of public transport to reduce risk of covid-19 infection; what plans he has to issue guidance operators of public transport services on transport ventilation; what standards or criteria his Department advises are used to plan and measure transport ventilation; and whether his Department plans to make funds available to improve standards of ventilation on public transport. (29872)

- 29N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the timescale is for replacing personal independence payments in Scotland with the Scottish Government's disability assistance benefit. (29916)
- 30N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent discussions she has had with the Scottish Government on the transfer of responsibility for personal independence payments. (29917)
- 31N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what representations she has had from the Scottish Government on further devolution of social security benefits in Scotland. (29918)
- 32N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many children in receipt of child benefit and over 15 years 9 months have not received their National Insurance number as of 9 July 2021. (29727)
- 33N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the current average waiting time in days is for a child of a qualifying age to receive their National Insurance number. (29728)
- 34N **Alison McGovern** (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme statistics: 1 July 2021, including data tables 12 and 14, if he will provide details of employments broken down by (a) country, (b) region, (c) local authority, (d) age and (e) gender as at 31 May 2021. (29788)
- 35N **Jonathan Reynolds** (Stalybridge and Hyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to mitigating the risk of covid-19 transmission through ventilation in JobCentre Plus premises and other buildings owned and managed by her Department, with and without public access, what guidance she has issued or plans to issue to relevant building managers on that matter; how ventilation standards throughout her Department's estate will be monitored; what steps her Department will take to ensure that guidance is followed; and whether she plans to provide funding to improve standards of ventilation throughout her Department's estate. (29793)
- 36N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 17 May 2021 to Question 704 on Bereavement Benefits, what his timescale is for bringing forward a draft Remedial Order to extend eligibility for Widowed Parent's Allowance and Bereavement Support Payment to cohabitees with children. (29863)
- 37N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made an assessment of the potential effect of the end of the £20 universal credit uplift on levels of child poverty in (a) Haringey and (b) London. (29869)

- 38N **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether any conflicts of interest were declared during the procurement process for the contract awarded on the 2 April 2021 to Verita to assist Public Health England with the transition to UK Health Security Agency. (29924)
- 39N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what guidance he has issued or plans to issue to hospitals on ensuring adequate ventilation during the covid-19 outbreak; what standards are used to measure the adequacy of such ventilation, what enforcement activity he plans to undertake to ensure that such guidance is followed; and whether he plans to make funding available to improve standards of ventilation. (29800)
- 40N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what guidance he (a) has issued and (b) plans to issue to GPs and clinical commissioning groups on ensuring adequate ventilation in GP surgeries in order to reduce the risk of covid-19 infection; by what standards GPs and clinical commissioning groups should plan and measure that ventilation; what steps he plans to take to ensure that guidance on ventilation is followed and risk accordingly reduced; and whether he plans to allocate funding to improving ventilation standards. (29801)
- 41N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what research his Department has commissioned into the effect of ventilation systems in reducing the spread of covid-19. (29802)
- 42N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding his Department has committed for research into the effect of ventilation systems in reducing the spread of covid-19 since the start of the covid-19 pandemic. (29803)
- 43N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will hold discussions with health ministers in (a) Scotland, (b) Wales and (c) Northern Ireland on reaching a consensus on having 75 per cent of cancers diagnosed within the first two stages across the UK. (29733)
- 44N **Colleen Fletcher** (Coventry North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of bed capacity in NHS labour wards in (a) Coventry, (b) the West Midlands and (c) England. (29809)
- 45N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what representations his Department has received from the Scottish Government on provisions on the control of advertising of (a) alcohol and (b) other products within the Health and Social Care Bill which was introduced on 6 July 2021. (29920)
- 46N **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to ensure that physician associates are afforded the protection of formal statutory regulation. (29754)

- 47N **Kate Osborne** (Jarrow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has plans to accelerate the covid-19 vaccination programme in the North East as a result of rising infection rates in that area. (29723)
- 48N **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the level of risk of the NHS working with Chinese companies that have links to the Chinese state; and if he will make a statement. (29738)
- 49N **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the value of contracts is that the NHS holds with Bio Products Laboratory Limited; and if he will make a statement. (29741)
- 50N **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health, which other providers compete with Bio Products Laboratory Limited for NHS contracts; and if he will make a statement. (29742)
- 51N **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department carried out a risk assessment of the sale of Bio Products Laboratory Limited by Bain Capital in 2016. (29743)
- 52N **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many times officials in his Department have met with representatives of Bio Products Laboratory Limited in each of the last three years; and if he will make a statement. (29744)
- 53N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will hold discussions with his US counterpart on helping to further improve relations in the Middle East between Israel and other Arab nations. (29734)
- 54N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer to Question 27285 on Coronavirus: Vaccination, whether any doses have been shared by the Government to date. (29874)
- 55N **Jamie Stone** (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans he has made to work with his international counterparts to promote civil liberties and encourage the right to protest in Colombia. (29875)
- 56N **Jamie Stone** (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with the Home Secretary on the Government's involvement in training Colombian police forces; and if he will publish the minutes of those discussions. (29876)
- 57N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of the reduction in Official Development Assistance spending on the UK's ability to support global women's rights. (29870)

- 58N **Allan Dorans** (Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she has taken to review the evidence which has been withheld by the Government since 2015 on the grounds of national security in the investigation into the murder of WPC Yvonne Fletcher in 1984, to ascertain whether that evidence may now be released. (29909)
- 59N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department has taken to tackle the domestic operations of Hezbollah since its full proscription in February 2019. (29746)
- 60N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent estimate her Department has made of the number of UK citizens who are members of Hezbollah. (29747)
- 61N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of the relationship between Hezbollah and the Islamic Resistance Support Organisation. (29748)
- 62N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to tackle sources of financial assistance to Hezbollah in the UK. (29749)
- 63N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions she has had with the Foreign Secretary on tackling Hezbollah activity in Lebanon. (29750)
- 64N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent estimate she has made of the number of potential sponsors who have left the UK since 2013 as a result of close relatives not being able to join them under the Adult Dependency visa rule. (29879)
- 65N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessments she has made of the level of monitoring and reporting by the Health and Safety Executive of cases of (a) disease, (b) death, (c) dangerous occurrences and (b) workplace outbreaks among Fire and Rescue Service employees. (29776)
- 66N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much money his Department spent on developing a Veterans ID Card since 2019. (29729)
- 67N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department made an agreement with Millbrook Proving Ground on liability for potential injuries to assessors during the independent assessment process for the AJAX armoured fighting vehicle. (29735)
- 68N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, on what date the Minister for Defence Procurement was first briefed on the potential effects on hearing identified by assessors of the AJAX armoured fighting vehicle. (29736)

- 69N **Dr Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the rules are on dismissal of Service personnel for a single offence of drug abuse; if he will list the criteria for allowing a second chance before dismissal; whether there is a consistent policy on dismissal for a first offence across all (a) units and (b) Services; what provision is made for personnel summarily dismissed to access a standardised, monitored and evaluated care pathway giving the individual time to find alternative (i) accommodation and (ii) employment; and if he will make a statement. (29721)
- 70N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 8 July 2021 to Question 27328 on Saudi Arabia: Military Aid and with reference to the video published on Twitter on 26 June 2021 of the Armed Forces Minister referencing the number of British troops in Somalia; for what reason that published information was not included in that Answer on operational and personal security grounds. (29919)
- 71N **Alyn Smith** (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the UK provided police or military training to (a) Afghanistan, (b) Bahrain, (c) Bangladesh, (d) Belarus, (e) Central African Republic, (f) China, (g) Colombia, (h) Democratic People's Republic of Korea, (i) Democratic Republic of Congo, (j) Egypt, (k) Eritrea and (l) Iran in 2020. (29901)
- 72N **Alyn Smith** (Stirling): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the UK provided police or military training to (a) Iraq, (b) Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories, (c) Libya, (d) Mali, (e) Myanmar, (f) Nicaragua, (g) Pakistan, (h) Russia, (i) Saudi Arabia, (j) Somalia, (k) South Sudan, (l) Sri Lanka, (m) Sudan, (n) Syria, (o) Turkmenistan, (p) Uzbekistan, (q) Venezuela, (r) Yemen and (s) Zimbabwe in 2020. (29902)
- 73N **Mr John Baron** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what further steps the Government is taking to (a) implement the recommendations of the Regulation of Property Agents: working group report, published 18 July 2019 and (b) raise standards across the property agent sector. (29731)
- 74N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of housing revenue accounts to meet future investment needs in social housing. (29857)
- 75N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of requiring maintenance contracts and property enhancement contracts on leasehold properties to be independently reviewed before being awarded. (29838)

- 76N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what plans he has to award leaseholders with increased right of appeal on decisions that their property management company and freeholder has taken on enhancements and maintenance to their properties or communal areas. (29839)
- 77N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, whether employee representatives were (a) appointed or (b) elected in Homes England in accordance with section 188(1B)(b) (i) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 in each of the last 12 months. (29773)
- 78N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will make it his policy to instruct Homes England not to dismiss some or all of its staff and rehire them on different terms of pay. (29774)
- 79N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, which funds he plans to remove competitive bidding from to reduce the amount of funding streams allocated to councils through competitive bidding. (29804)
- 80N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what guidance his Department (a) has issued or (b) plans to issue to local authority chief executives on ensuring adequate ventilation in council-managed buildings, whether or not with public access, to reduce the risks of transmission of covid-19 infection; to what standards local authority chief executives should (i) plan and (ii) measure such ventilation; what enforcement activity his Department plans to undertake to ensure that guidance is followed; and whether he plans to make funds available for improving standards of ventilation in those building. (29805)
- 81N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will take steps to measure the impact of the projects funded through the Towns Fund on the change in the relative spatial deprivation of the most deprived areas of the relevant local authority. (29806)
- 82N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will take steps to measure the impact of the projects funded through the Levelling Up Fund on the change in the relative spatial deprivation of the most deprived areas of the relevant local authority. (29807)
- 83N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, if he will take steps to measure the impact of the projects funded through the Community Renewal Fund on the change in the relative spatial deprivation of the most deprived areas of the relevant local authority. (29808)

- 84N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of giving social housing tenants the right to acquire rented property built prior to 1997. (29756)
- 85N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, what support his Department is providing to local authorities to support the Government's net zero target. (29868)
- 86N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of English child prisoners are living in custodial establishments in (a) Wales and (b) Scotland. (29864)
- 87N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the reoffending rate of children released from custodial establishments. (29865)
- 88N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of trends in the levels of reoffending rates of children released from custodial establishments over the last 10 years. (29866)
- 89N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to his Department's press release of 16 June 2021 entitled Lord Chancellor takes immediate action to move children from Rainsbrook, which establishments the children previously living in Rainsbrook Secure Training Centre have been moved to. (29867)
- 90N **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will (a) take steps to ensure parity of funding for Freeports for England and Wales and (b) allocate £25 million for a Freeport in Wales to match the funding allocated to each of the eight Freeports in England. (29949)
- 91N **Alison McGovern** (Wirral South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the statistics on earnings and employment from Pay As You Earn Real Time Information and tables 11 and 12, if he will publish payrolled employees from PAYE RTI by (a) region, (b) NUTS1 and NUTS2 and (c) age. (29789)
- 92N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 8 July 2021 to Question 27140 on Treasury: Buildings and with reference to the staffing of the Darlington Economic Campus, what estimate he has made of the number of existing roles that will be moved to Darlington from each of the (a) Department for International Trade, (b) Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, (c) Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government and (d) Office for National Statistics; from which existing office locations those jobs will be moved; what estimate he has made of the number of new jobs that will be created in Darlington in each of the (a) Department for International Trade, (b) Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, (c) Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government,

and (d) Office for National Statistics; what the timescale is for those departments moving work to the Darlington Economic Campus; and if he will make a statement.

(29782)

93N **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will take steps to compensate property sellers who agreed sales ahead of the March 2020 covid-19 lockdown and therefore failed to qualify for the stamp duty freeze. (29799)

94N **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment has he made of the impact of repayment arrangements for Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme debt on businesses. (29853)

95N **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the impact of receipt of (a) Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme furlough payments and (b) Bounce Back Loan Scheme payments on the recipients' credit ratings. (29854)

96N **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what discussions he has had with the Welsh Government on the (a) process of, (b) timeframe for and (c) allocation of funding for the establishment of a freeport in Wales. (29950)
