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Questions tabled on Monday 1 November 2021

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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 2 November

Questions for Written Answer

- Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending the Green Homes Grant deadline for an additional 12 months.

 [Transferred] (66259)
- 2N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if his Department will make an estimate of the total amount of rent arrears owed by British businesses as at October 2021.

[Transferred] (65435)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 3 November

Questions for Written Answer

- Margaret Ferrier (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the removal of the UK from the Eurostat database.

 (67174)
- 2 **Stephen Metcalfe** (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether he plans to appoint a Chief Mathematical Adviser. (67139)

- 3 Stephen Metcalfe (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many of the Government's Chief Scientists have a mathematical background; and if will provide information on the academic backgrounds of the Government's Chief Scientists.
- 4 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the President of COP26, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the absence of President Erdogan of Turkey from COP26 in Glasgow on the outcomes of that conference. (67256)
- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the President of COP26, how many and what proportion of world leaders travelled to COP26 by air. (67260)
- Rosie Cooper (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what the chimney stack emissions of carbon dioxide were in MWh from the burning of (a) coal and (b) wood pellets at the Drax power station in North Yorkshire in each of the last five years. (67111)
- 7 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the White Paper on Restoring trust in audit and corporate governance, what assessment he has made of whether managed shared audit is the most effect method of audit reform to improve resilience in the FTSE350. (67207)
- 8 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential effectiveness of the introduction of a market share cap, as opposed to managed shared audit, on preventing further corporate failures. (67208)
- 9 **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps the new Audit Reporting and Governance Authority (ARGA) will take to work in partnership with investors, boards, auditors and other regulators to develop a world-class system of corporate governance in practice. (67209)
- Mark Jenkinson (Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the implications for his policies of Ofgem's Access and Forward-looking Charges Significant Code Review. (67263)
- 11 Mark Jenkinson (Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department has made an assessment (a) of the potential effect of Ofgem's Access and Forward-looking Charges Significant Code Review on the timetable for investment in renewable generation in the North West as a result of the creation of uncertainty in charging for connections over 1MW and (b) of the potential for that review to be frustrated in its objectives by key pinch points on the National Grid.

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- Mark Jenkinson (Workington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the energy retail market; what steps his Department has taken to ensure the protection of existing customers whose suppliers fail; and what steps he is taking to reform that market.

 (67265)
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the compatibility of the Abigail fossil fuel development proposed by Ithaca Energy, with the UK's target to achieve net zero by 2050. (67118)
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the compatibility of the Pegasus West fossil fuel development proposed by Spirit Energy with the UK's target to achieve net zero by 2050. (67119)
- 15 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the compatibility of the Suilven fossil fuel development proposed by Siccar Point Energy with the UK's target to achieve net zero by 2050. (67120)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he expects the UK to halve its carbon budget. (67205)
- 17 Mark Menzies (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to reduce the UK's energy dependency on foreign states. (67126)
- Stephen Metcalfe (South Basildon and East Thurrock): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is planning to take to help ensure that the number of students undertaking PhD research in mathematics is sustained. (67141)
- 19 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the increased funding to her Department announced in the Budget 2021, how much and what proportion of that additional funding she plans to allocate to civil society organisations; and what percentage change that will represent compared with 2020. (67196)
- 20 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to promote awareness of vocational career routes in schools. (67262)
- 21 **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment his Department has made of the cost-effectiveness of the Music and Dance Scheme; and if he will make a statement. (67138)
- 22N **Ed Davey** (Kingston and Surbiton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the finding of the Disabled Children's Partnerships' report, entitled Left Behind, that 40 per cent of local authorities have reduced respite

care for families during the covid-19 outbreak, what plans he has to provide dedicated additional funding for respite care for families with disabled children.

[Transferred] (65358)

- 23N **Ed Davey** (Kingston and Surbiton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential cost savings generated by funding additional early intervention support for disabled children and families. [Transferred] (65359)
- Jo Gideon (Stoke-on-Trent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if his Department will implement a strategy to ensure that School Food Standards are met.

 (67294)
- Tom Hunt (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to help strengthen participation of parents and young people in the SEND system. (67276)
- Tom Hunt (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how his

 Department plans to allocate the £8.6 million funding announced for 2021-22 for supporting participation of parents and young people in the SEND system. (67278)
- Tom Hunt (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what proportion of Ofsted's school education inspection framework involves consideration of SEND provision.

 (67279)
- 28 **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether a school can receive a Good rating from Ofsted where the inspection found an inadequate provision for SEND. (67280)
- 29 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 25 October 2021 to Question 62774 on All Saints School York, what assessment he has made of the impact of the ringfencing of that funding for All Saints School in a separate funding pot from the Dioceses of Middlesbrough with the Diocese of Leeds on the ability to transfer funds from wider Dioceses of Leeds schooling budget for a rebuild project for All Saints York in the context of limited funds being available.
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when he plans to allocate funding to support family hubs in York. (67189)
- 31 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to increase levels of school-based covid-19 vaccination for children. (67201)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to help ensure that the Government's skills strategy prioritises training and courses that meet the workforce demands for the future. (67202)

- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential role of trade unions in driving up skills in the workplace. (67203)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the economic impact on York of reductions in funding for archaeology courses. (67204)
- Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department has made contingency plans to support students in secondary education who were affected by exam cancellations in the last year. (67302)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effect of construction work related to HS2 on England's chalk streams. (67275)
- 37 **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to respond to the letter from the hon. Member for West Lancashire of 18 August 2021 on the protection of uplands, reference ZA57406. (67109)
- 38 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans the Government has to improve animal welfare and biosecurity following the consultation on Commercial and Non-Commercial Movement of Pets into Great Britain. (67310)
- 39 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans the Government has to re-introduce the rabies titre test for entry of small animals to the UK. (67311)
- 40 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans the Government has to introduce a 12 week wait period post rabies vaccination for small animals entering the UK.

 (67312)
- 41 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans the Government has to raise to six months the minimum age for cats and dogs to be transported into the UK. (67313)
- 42 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the presence of puppy farming in the UK. (67314)
- 43 **Dr Neil Hudson** (Penrith and The Border): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to tackle puppy farming in the UK. (67315)

- 44 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 28 October 2021, how many departmental meetings the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State in his Department, the hon. Member for Bury St Edmonds, has attended since 17 September 2021. (67253)
- 45 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Answer of 28 October 2021 to Question 59956, on Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs: Ministerial Responsibility, which policy areas the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State in his Department, the hon. Member for Bury St Edmonds, has covered in meetings at the Department. (67254)
- 46 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 28 October 2021 to Question 59956, on Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs: Ministerial Responsibility, whether the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State in his Department, the hon.

 Member for Bury St Edmonds, is a paid member of the Government. (67255)
- 47 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps the Government plans to take in response to the conclusion of the International Energy Agency that there can be no new oil, gas or coal development if the world is to reach net zero emissions by 2050. (67305)
- 48 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate he has made of the number of (a) short- and (b) long-term jobs that would be created by the Cambo oil field development. (67306)
- 49 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if the Government will prioritise funding to improve energy efficiency to create jobs and reduce energy demand over investment in new oil and gas projects. (67307)
- Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the research report entitled State of the World's Fungi 2018, what assessment his Department has made of the implications for its policies of the findings of that research that waste plastic broken down by fungi may be used to create sustainable building materials.
- 51 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, with reference to her Department's letter of appointment to LSE Enterprise, dated 1 October 2021, regarding research on the theme of Trade and Investment Measurement, what recent external research she has commissioned covering the theme of export and investment. (67106)

- 52 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, pursuant to her Department's letter of appointment to LSE Enterprise, dated 1 October 2021, regarding research on the theme of Trade and Investment Measurement, what recent external research she has commissioned covering the theme of business attitudes and public perceptions. (67107)
- Hilary Benn (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 22 July 2021 to Question 35504 on Building Safety Fund: Leeds, what the public safety grounds are for not listing buildings with unsafe cladding asked for in that Question. (67064)
- Hilary Benn (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether a building that has received funding from the Building Safety Fund can make a further application to that fund if additional information comes to light about other unsafe cladding, for example through a BS8414 test. (67066)
- Scott Benton (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether guidance for the forthcoming £1.5bn business rates relief fund for previously excluded sectors will include a specific reference to the amusement machine industry supply chain as a sector which is eligible for support.

 (67288)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 23 September 2021 to Question 50144, on Planning Permission, if he will urgently issue guidance on determining appeals to the Planning Inspector that a greater weighting should be attached to the National Planning Policy Framework's objective to protect greenbelt land than to the standard housing need methodology calculation in the event that a local authority does not have a Local Plan in place.
- Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what provisions are in plans to help ensure minimum disruption for residents in buildings where fire safety remediation is potentially being carried out on two parallel tracks to fix defects that are (a) covered by the Building Safety Fund and (b) beyond the remit of that fund. (67182)
- Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, in the context of remediation of fire safety defects in towerblocks, whether exemptions are possible for wooden balconies in the event that they have been treated with fire retardant material. (67183)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of retrofitting homes to (a) meet sustainable housing standards and (b) cut energy use.

 (67324)
- 60 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent assessment he has made of the prevalence of deprivation disparities within a locality. (67325)

- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he will take to ensure that planning decisions contribute to halving the UK's carbon emissions by 2030. (67206)
- 62 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what date his Department plans to restore Avanti trains to three services per hour between London and Birmingham. (67076)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he has taken and what progress he has made on ensuring that HS2 delivers a net gain in biodiversity.

 (67274)
- 64 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that Phase 1 of HS2 construction is completed by 2033. (67239)
- 65 Mark Menzies (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent steps his Department has taken to help improve the processing of driving licence (a) new and (b) renewal applications. (67125)
- 66 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if (a) he or (b) another Minister will visit the Leamside Line to discuss the case for its proposed reopening. (67136)
- 67 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the accuracy of the findings of the Common Wealth think tank's report, All Aboard: Transforming Bus Services, on the effect of bus privatisation, deregulation and austerity on (a) fares, (b) reliability of services and (c) pay and conditions of bus workers.
- 68 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the accuracy of the finding of Common Wealth's report, All Aboard: Transforming Bus Services, that high levels of deregulation and privatisation in the bus network disproportionately impacts people that are marginalised by the current economic system. (67304)
- 69 **James Daly** (Bury North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that the tender process for Help to Claim retains adequate face-to-face provision. (67316)
- 70 **Dr James Davies** (Vale of Clwyd): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure that there are no delays in the delivery of state pension payments for individuals moving away from other welfare support, including Employment Support Allowance. (67210)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of introducing a method to assess whether a benefit claimant has permanently left the UK. (67091)

- 72 **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Kickstart scheme placements have been (a) approved, (b) advertised and (c) started by young people, by (i) nation, (ii) region and (iii) sector. (67281)
- 73 **Dr Ben Spencer** (Runnymede and Weybridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department has been taking to support Operation Warm Welcome. (67282)
- 74 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what additional support her Department provides to asylum seekers whose universal credit payments have been stopped. (67301)
- 75 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an assessment of the implications for her policies of recent reports that Amazon plans to cut the pay of its yard marshals by 23 per cent; and whether she has made representations to Amazon as a result of those reports.
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the Guidance on care home visiting, last updated on 23 August 2021, will next be reviewed by his Department, in response to the vaccine rollout and modelling of likely covid-19 transmission in autumn 2021.
- 77 Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department followed its standard procurement processes when awarding covid-19 testing contracts to Immensa. (67271)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to require Integrated Care Boards to report on their (a) past activity and (b) future plans to achieve parity of esteem between mental and physical health.

 (67273)
- Rosie Cooper (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to the letter from the hon. Member for West Lancashire of 18 August 2021 on ambulance waiting times, reference ZA57414. (67110)
- 80 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of vaccinating children in year 7 who are 11 years old against covid-19 in the context of their 12 year old peers in the same school year being eligible for that vaccination. (67213)
- 81 Tom Hunt (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the impact of the relative timings of lifting covid-19 restrictions for mixed-household socialising in (a) pubs and hospitality settings and (b) homes on the mental wellbeing of (i) people with autism and (ii) other vulnerable people who may find pubs and hospitality settings inaccessible environments.

Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps people who are not currently registered with a GP, don't have a NHS number and who have been fully vaccinated with a vaccine approved by the MHRA should take to obtain a covid pass; and if he will make a statement.

(67117)

- 83N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has for who will deliver early years services, including perinatal mental health support, breastfeeding services and parenting programmes.

 [Transferred] (66195)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 26 October 2021 to Question 36676 on Home Care Services, what steps she is taking to help ensure that the Care Quality Commission assesses the (a) ownership and (b) regulatory history of a provider, including an assessment of the owner's business history. (67193)
- 85 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will commit to supporting research into the long-term impact of e-cigarettes on public health. (67197)
- 86 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that NHS health checks are reinstated to enable health interventions such smoking cessation to be delivered.

 (67198)
- 87 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help prevent children from taking up (a) smoking or (b) vaping. (67199)
- 88 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that young people have access to comprehensive smoking cessation services. (67200)
- 89 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that the NHS records single or double dose covid-19 vaccines received abroad so that patients can obtain an NHS England Covid pass. (67290)
- 90 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to tackle the effect of the covid-19 outbreak on the mental health of elderly people. (67153)
- 91 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to support GP's to make urgent cancer referrals to NHS hospitals. (67154)
- 92 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that scheduled donor transplants go ahead during the covid-19 outbreak. (67155)

- 93 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will allocate additional funding to support an increase in autism testing. (67156)
- 94 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what stocks of (a) undenatured ethyl alcohol, (b) hydrogen peroxide, (c) aluminium salts, (d) sorbitol, (e) formaldehyde, (f) formic acid, (g) acetic acid and (h) citric acid monohydrate he estimates to have been held by UK pharmaceutical companies responsible for vaccine production on (i) 31 October 2019, (ii) 31 October 2020 and (iii) 29 October 2021.
- 95 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the (a) quantities of medical oxygen and (b) number of units of portable gas cylinders used for transporting and administering medical oxygen that were held in stockpiles maintained or overseen by (i) his Department and (ii) NHS England on (A) 31 October 2019, (B) 31 October 2020 and (C) 29 October 2021.
- 96 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the (a) quantities of medical oxygen and (b) number of units of portable gas cylinders used for transporting and administering medical oxygen to have been held by UK pharmaceutical companies responsible for vaccine production on (i) 31 October 2019, (ii) 31 October 2020 and (iii) 29 October 2021.
- 97 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to (a) reduce rates of stillbirth and neonatal deaths and (b) address racial inequalities in stillbirths and neonatal deaths; and if his Department will launch an inquiry into the rates of stillbirth and neonatal death among Asian and Asian British babies. (67308)
- 98 **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations she has made to
 her Iranian counterpart on the imprisonment of the human rights defender Nasrin
 Sotoudeh in Iran. (67065)
- 99 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment she has made
 of the implications for her policies of the report by Yasmin Sooka and Frances
 Harrison, entitled Sri Lanka: Torture and Sexual Violence by Security Forces 20202021, published in September 2021; and what representations she has made to her
 counterparts in Sri Lanka on systematic torture and sexual violence perpetuated
 by security forces in that country.

 (67295)
- 100 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps she is taking to secure safe
 passage out of Afghanistan for the nine former BBC staff and freelance journalists
 who have been subjected to a growing campaign of threats and violence. (67296)

- **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps she is taking to repatriate
 British citizens and their families who are in Afghanistan and who have registered
 their presence and received no further information. (67297)
- **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when the details of the Afghan
 citizens resettlement scheme will be finalised and the scheme opened. (67298)
- **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions she held with the
 Welsh Government ahead of the G20 Summit in Rome. (67250)
- **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had
 with her international counterparts on supporting vaccination programmes across
 sub-Saharan Africa. (67251)
- **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent support she has provided
 to sub-Saharan countries to help those countries (a) mitigate the effects of climate
 change and (b) reduce their carbon emissions. (67252)
- **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to Answer of 22 September 2021 to Question on Western Sahara: Self Determination of States, whether the inclusion of independence as an option in the self-determination of the people of Western Sahara was raised during discussions with the parties. (67233)
- **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the freezing of funds to the Taliban Government, what plans her Department has to ensure aid reaches people who require it in Afghanistan. (67289)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what estimate her Department has
 made of the breakout time of Iran's nuclear weapons programme. (67129)
- **Matt Rodda** (Reading East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the Government plans to
 review its advice on travel to Guadeloupe. (67245)
- 110 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much of the 10 year £40 million
 Chagossian Support Package, announced by the Government on 16 November
 2016 has been spent in total; and how much of that funding has been spent on (a)
 Chagossian heritage visits, (b) in the UK, (c) in Mauritius, (d) in Seychelles and (e)
 elsewhere.

- 111 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what projects have been funded
 from the £40 million Chagossian Support Package in the last five years since 16
 November 2016; and what effect that funding has had on the livelihoods of
 Chagossian communities in (a) Mauritius, (b) the Seychelles and (c) the UK. (67089)
- 112 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what future expenditure is planned
 from the £40 million Chagossian Support Package; and in which countries that
 spending is planned.

 (67090)
- 113 Matt Vickers (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking
 to facilitate international travel for British citizens resident in European countries
 that are administering only one dose of a two-dose vaccination programme to
 those who have previously been infected by covid-19.

 (67309)
- 114 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the process is for a local authority to move an evacuated Afghan family from the hotel accommodation they have been placed in into a home that has been found by the local authority and meets the family's needs. (67184)
- 115 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether special provisions will be made in cases where children pass their 18th birthdays while waiting for the Afghan citizens resettlement scheme to come into effect.

 (67185)
- 116 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to publish detailed guidelines for local authorities on support for relatives of British nationals to be evacuated from Afghanistan under the forthcoming Afghan citizens resettlement scheme. (67326)
- 117 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that the Nationality and Borders Bill is compliant with international law. (67240)
- 118 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the effect of the Nationality and Borders Bill's on victims of sex trafficking. (67241)
- 119 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 25 October 2021 to Question 56158, on Immigration: Afghanistan, how many people evacuated during Operation Pitting will be referred to the Afghan citizens resettlement scheme. (67112)

- **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 25 October 2021 to Question 56158, on Immigration: Afghanistan, whether people evacuated during Operation Pitting who are subsequently referred to the Afghan citizens resettlement scheme will be granted refugee status. (67113)
- **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 25 October 2021 to Question 56158, on Immigration: Afghanistan, what entitlements to family reunion will people evacuated during Operation Pitting who are subsequently referred to the Afghan citizens resettlement scheme have. (67114)
- **Chris Grayling** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate he has made of the number of Afghan Christians who have settled in the UK following the Taliban's return to power in Afghanistan. (67080)
- **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what (a) meetings and (b) discussions her Department has had with the (i) Crown Prosecution Service, (ii) Lord Advocate/Procurator Fiscal Service and (iii) Public Prosecution Service for Northern Ireland on the Nationality and Borders Bill. (67179)
- **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether it is her policy that children and families will not be accommodated in accommodation centres under either the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 or the provisions of the Nationality and Borders Bill. (67181)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions her Department has had with the Metropolitan Police on the scope of the Government inquiry into issues raised by the conviction of Wayne Couzens, announced on 5 October 2021. (67215)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Government inquiry into issues raised by the conviction of Wayne Couzens, announced on 5 October 2021, for what reason it is not her policy to hold a statutory inquiry. (67216)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Government inquiry into issues raised by the conviction of Wayne Couzens, announced on 5 October 2021, for what reasons the scope of that inquiry is restricted to the abuse perpetrated by Wayne Couzens. (67217)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Government inquiry into issues raised by the conviction of Wayne Couzens, announced on 5 October 2021, whether it is her policy that a panel will be appointed for that inquiry that includes at least one female expert in male violence against women and girls. (67218)

- 129 Andrew Selous (South West Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in which financial year will the revised police national funding formula take effect. (67092)
- 130 James Gray (North Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 17 September 2021 to Question 48135 on Reserve Forces, whether he plans to publish the 2021 annual report produced by the Reserve Forces External Scrutiny Team before its author, Major General Simon Lalor, addresses the APPG for Armed Forces on Monday 8 December 2021. (67053)
- 131 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when the Independent Review of Criminal Legal Aid will publish its recommendations. (67257)
- 132 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent steps he has taken to increase public confidence in the criminal justice system in Newport West constituency. (67258)
- 133 **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many child victims of sexual abuse reached the age of 18 before there case was heard; and how many of those people were then cross examined in each year from 2016.

 (67322)
- 134 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Prime Minister, how many and what proportion of UK Government ministers travelled by air to COP26 in Glasgow. (67259)
- 135 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Prime Minister, in the context of COP26, whether a decision has been made on the proposal to build a coal mine in Cumbria; and if he will make statement. (67221)
- 136 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Prime Minister, with reference to COP26, whether a decision has been made on the potential development of the Cambo oil field. (67222)
- 137 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the amusement machine industry will be eligible for the 50 per cent business rates relief discount available to the retail, leisure, and hospitality industry. (67286)
- 138 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to increase the cap on the 50 per cent reduction in business rates for the retail, leisure and hospitality sector to support businesses with larger numbers of sites.

 (67287)
- 139 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will publish an assessment of the impact of his receipt of IMF Special Drawing Rights on public sector net debt. (67070)
- 140 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will publish an assessment of the impact of re-channelling Special Drawing Rights via the IMF on public sector net debt. (67071)

- 141 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the effect on the public sector net debt of selling existing foreign currency reserves. (67072)
- 142 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the average annual interest was on the UK's foreign reserves in each of the last 10 years. (67073)
- 143 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the average rate of return on the Government's holdings of (a) special drawing rights and (b) foreign exchange holdings in each of the last 10 years. (67074)
- 144 **Liam Byrne** (Birmingham, Hodge Hill): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of selling existing foreign currency reserves for the Government's public sector net debt; and if he will make a statement.

 (67075)
- 145 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the decision by Barclays Partner Finance to refund loans issued between April 2014 and April 2016 by defunct timeshare operator Azure Services Ltd. (67231)
- Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to para 2.47 of the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021, whether the business rate relief for the retail, leisure and hospitality sectors includes the leisure marine industry. (67242)
- 147 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will ensure that, following the upcoming expiration of his Department's contract with Capita for the administration of the Equitable Life Payments Scheme, that future awardees of the contract will be subject to the same contractual requirement to hold, in a searchable format, the personal, bank account and payment data for all non-With Profits Annuitants Equitable Life policyholders, who have already received a payment from the Scheme. (67299)
- 148 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021, whether the public sector pay increases proposed in his Budget statement will be funded Departmental funding or will need to be met from employers. (67187)
- 149 Ian Mearns (Gateshead): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his
 Department plans to amend the existing work taper for Working Tax Credits in
 line with the changes to the earnings taper on universal credit. (67127)
- 150NLayla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much and what proportion of the loan of Special Drawing Rights to the IMF's Poverty Reduction and Growth Trust will be designated as Official Development Assistance.

- 151 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what estimate his Department has made of the average amount people in Hendon constituency will pay for Band D Council Tax in the 2022-23 financial year. (67128)
- 152 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will commit to the allocation of new funding for new approach methodologies, including the use of advanced cultures of human cells and tissues, artificial intelligence and organ-on-a-chip technology. (67223)
- 153 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what local support will be made available to help disabled people to access photo ID for electoral purposes. (67152)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 4 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Attorney General, what funding her Department has allocated to Stonewall in each of the last five years; and for what projects that funding has been allocated. (67046)
- 2N **Nickie Aiken** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the potential effect of adopting British Summer Time permanently on road traffic accidents involving pedestrians and cyclists. (67261)
- 3N Sarah Atherton (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits for Wrexham in relation to (a) job creation, (b) investment in the local economy and (c) trading opportunities of the Government's HyNet North West Hydrogen energy project.

 (67317)
- 4N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of strengthening consumer protections for the owners of new build properties. (67121)
- Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 6 September 2021 to Question 37473, on New Businesses: Females, how much money his Department has provided to businesses through Start Up Loans; and what proportion of those loans have been provided to (a) women-owned businesses and (b) businesses owned by BAME people.

- 6N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department receive feedback on calls to the Business Support Helpline. (67164)
- 7N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions officials in his Department have had with representatives of the hospitality and retail sectors on outstanding rent debt. (67165)
- 8N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department plans to take to support businesses with significant rent debt as a result of the covid-19 outbreak.

 (67166)
- 9N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the level of regional variation in electric vehicle ownership. (67167)
- 10N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to (a) reduce barriers to investment and (b) encourage pension funds to invest in the green economy. (67226)
- 11N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to (a) improve the domestic workforce of STEM professionals and (b) maintain the UK as an attractive destination to overseas researchers; and what recent discussions he has had with the Home Secretary on the financial barriers preventing talented researchers from relocating to the UK.
- 12N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 1 November 2021 to Question 64603, where the funding for the National Productivity Investment Fund comes from; and whether expenditure on the Advanced Research & Invention Agency is included in the £20 Billion Capital DEL expenditure total for 2024-25 in Table 2.2 of the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021 Red Book.
- 13N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what the planned electricity generating capacity of the UK is for (a) 2025, (b) 2030, (c) 2035 and (d) 2040; and how that energy will be (a) generated and (b) distributed. (67082)
- 14N Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture,
 Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of
 introducing a full redress scheme for losses incurred by customers of Football
 Index affected by its collapse.

 (67300)

- 15N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 29 October 2021 to Question 59855 on Voluntary Organisations: Finance, what policies he is developing to enable charities to thrive in the future.

 (67190)
- 16N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 29 October 2021 to Question 59855 on Voluntary Organisations: Finance, what steps his Department is taking to enable charities to work with the Government; and what the share priorities are on which charities and Government will work together. (67191)
- 17N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 29 October 2021 to Question 56464 on Voluntary Organisations: Finance, what steps he has taken to ensure that insurance products are available to civil society organisations that do not exclude cover for covid-19 or other pandemics. (67192)
- 18N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department is taking steps to support the simplification of terms and conditions required by digital and technology companies when accessing their websites or applications. (67116)
- 19N Fleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many private schools claimed support from the Coronavirus Job Support Scheme over the 2021 summer holidays. (67285)
- 20N Chris Bryant (Rhondda): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Acquired Brain Injury Card for people under 18 years old produced by the Child Brain Injury Trust, what steps officials in his Department have taken with officials in the (a) Department for Health and Social Care and (b) Department for Levelling up, Housing and Communities to ensure that that injury card is promoted in (i) schools, (ii) hospitals and (iii) local authorities. (67085)
- 21N **Mr John Baron** (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he plans to reply to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Basildon and Billericay of 10 August 2021, and letters chasing up that correspondence of 14 September 2021 and 12 October 2021, regarding his constituent, reference JB33695. (67077)
- 22N Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many applications were received for bathing water status (a) for coastal areas, (b) for inland waters and (c) in total from 1 November 2020 to 31 October 2021.
- 23N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, with reference to the US-EU agreement on steel and aluminium announced on 30 October 2021, what (a) assessment she has made of the implications of

- that agreement for British steel producers and (b) steps she is taking to ensure UK manufacturers have the same access to the US market as their European competitors. (67137)
- 24N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what assessment she has made of the implications of the killing of 43 people by police in Colombia during protests in April and May 2021 for the UK-Andean trade agreement. (67068)
- 25N **Mr Richard Holden** (North West Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps the Government is taking to increase exports of cheese and dairy products. (67291)
- 26N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, pursuant to her Department's letter of appointment to LSE Enterprise, dated 1 October 2021, regarding research on the theme of Trade and Investment Measurement, what recent external research she has commissioned covering the theme of open markets and global prosperity. (67108)
- 27N Hilary Benn (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what progress is being made with the application to the Building Safety Fund in respect of X1 Aire, Cross Green Lane, Leeds, LS9 8BJ. (67059)
- 28N **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether buildings with external zinc cladding attached to timber battens would qualify for an A1, A2, A3 or B1 fire safety rating. (67060)
- 29N **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, for what reason the application to the Building Safety Fund to replace exterior zinc cladding on wooden battens at the Gateway building in Leeds was refused.

 (67061)
- 30N **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, in how many cases have applications to the Building Safety Fund been approved to replace exterior zinc cladding attached to wooden battens.

 (67062)
- 31N **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether the installation of sprinklers in a building over 18 metres in height is sufficient to give it a B1 or higher safety rating. (67063)
- 32N **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the Answer of 15 March 2021 to Question 166296 on Burlington House, for what reason the Guidance for the Disposal of Surplus Land, published by the Cabinet Office in 2017, was withdrawn in June 2021; and what has replaced that guidance. (67043)
- 33N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether the UK Shared Prosperity Fund will include a research and innovation focus. (67150)

- 34N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether it remains his Department's policy to reduce the number of funding schemes in which local authorities make competitive bids.

 (67169)
- 35N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, by what date his Department requires funding from the Community Renewal Fund to be spent. (67170)
- 36N Steve Reed (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, when his Department plans to publish full details of
 how the UK Shared Prosperity Fund will function. (67171)
- 37N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department plans to publish a full Regulatory Impact Assessment for the introduction of the permitted development right, to enable the change of use from the new Class E to residential use, which came into force on 1 August 2021. (67172)
- 38N Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to ensure all new homes have solar panels fitted. (67320)
- 39N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what timescales are in place for the delivery of Northern Powerhouse Rail. (67234)
- 40N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent steps he has taken to improve east to west rail connectivity. (67235)
- 41N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps Great British Railways will take to help achieve net zero. (67237)
- 42N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the costs of the initial phases of HS2 have impacted the decision on delivering the eastern leg to Leeds. (67238)
- 43N Andrew Gwynne (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the average length of time taken by the DVLA is to remove an untaxed vehicle once reported; and if he will take steps to accelerate the process of removing the untaxed vehicle with registration SB07 ZWK, abandoned outside St Anne's Church on St Anne's Road Denton, which has been reported on 27 August, 30 September and 25 October 2021 by Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council.
- 44N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the impact on CO2 emissions of the change from E5 unleaded petrol to E10. (67067)

- 45N **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of issuing additional guidance for airlines on lateral flow test age exemptions for passengers flying between the different nations of the UK on onward internal domestic flights.
- 46N Mr Richard Holden (North West Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans the Government has to relax section 19 or section 22 licences for charities or community-interest-companies, such as Weardale Community Transport, to enable those organisations to run services for social benefit that enable them to cross subsidise free community services. (67293)
- 47N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate his Department has made of number of (a) fines issued and (b) cases brought to court involved offences by persons while using e-scooter in (i) 2020-21 and (ii) 2021-22 to date.
- 48N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will list every policy paper, consultation and report focused on tackling sexual harassment on public transport and on streets commissioned and published by his Department since May 2010. (67093)
- 49 **Karl M^cCartney** (Lincoln): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, for what reason the Government reduced the road maintenance grant for Lincolnshire in 2021-22; and if he will increase the grant to 2019-20 levels for 2022-23. (67130)
- 50N **Andy McDonald** (Middlesbrough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 26 October 2021 to Question 58484 on Railways: Electrification, what plans he has for the electrification of the line from Northallerton through to Middlesbrough and Saltburn. (67173)
- 51N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the methodology used by his Department to estimate the number of electricity public charging points required for road vehicles by (a) 2025, ((b) 2030, (c) 2035 and (d) 2040. (67081)
- 52N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment she has made of the (a) time it takes to clear a personal independence payment claim and (b) number of people waiting for a decision as of 1 November 2021. (67243)
- 53N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to reduce the backlog of people waiting for personal independence payment claims to be processed. (67244)
- 54N Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has plans to introduce a non-repayable crisis grant for people in financial need who are not eligible for universal credit. (67266)

- 55N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to reduce the cost of transferring (a) workplace and (b) personal pensions overseas through a Qualifying Recognised Overseas Pension Scheme (QROPS).
- 56N **Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of calls to her Department's telephone lines for (a) attendance allowance, (b) the Child Maintenance Service, (c) personal independence payment, (d) the State Pension and (e) debt management were answered in each month from January 2021 to October 2021.
- 57N **Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average waiting time was for calls to her Department's telephone lines for (a) attendance allowance, (b) the Child Maintenance Service, (c) personal independence payment, (d) the State Pension and (e) debt management in each month from January 2021 to October 2021.
- 58N **Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many new claims for State Pension were paid more than four weeks after the claimant's sixty-sixth birthday in each of the last 12 months. (67049)
- 59N Fleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the reasons for NICE's refusal to make Avelumb available on the NHS in England. (67283)
- 60N **Mr Nicholas Brown** (Newcastle upon Tyne East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which Minister is responsible for improving the (a) prevention and (b) treatment of sight loss conditions. (67069)
- 61N Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of funding announced in the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021 will be allocated to (a) training and recruiting diagnostic staff and (b) tackling shortages in the cancer workforce. (67272)
- 62N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of a medical exemption from prescription charges for people who have sickle cell anaemia. (67236)
- 63N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of publishing details of plans to offer second doses of a covid-19 vaccine to young people aged 12 to 17 years who are not (a) at increased risk from infection or (b) living with someone who is immunosuppressed.

- 64N Dan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the (a) availability of covid-19 booster vaccines, (b) average distance travelled to receive a covid-19 booster vaccine and (c) average waiting time for a resident to receive a covid-19 booster vaccine in Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council area. (67157)
- 65N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what support he is making available to people having difficulty booking their covid-19 booster vaccines in South Yorkshire. (67158)
- 66N Dan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce car parking fees to visitors who need to attend hospital regularly. (67159)
- 67N **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to deliver 6,000 more GPs by 2025.

 (67044)
- 68N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help GP surgeries meet demand for appointments.

 (67228)
- 69N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will (a) review the schedule of prescription exemptions and (b) make it his policy that prescriptions for people with chronic mental health conditions are free of charge. (67230)
- 70N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish monthly figures on the amount paid by local authorities in England on the (a) Test and Trace Support Payment scheme and (b) discretionary Test and Trace Support Payment scheme since August 2020. (67168)
- 71N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the Global Health Insurance Card is available in English and Welsh.

 (67219)
- 72N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many units of (a) undenatured ethyl alcohol, (b) hydrogen peroxide, (c) aluminium salts, (d) sorbitol, (e) formaldehyde, (f) formic acid, (g) acetic acid and (h) citric acid monohydrate were held in stockpiles maintained or overseen by (i) his Department and (ii) NHS England on (A) 31 October 2019, (B) 31 October 2020 and (C) 29 October 2021.
- 73N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to answer Question 58327 tabled by the hon. Member for Islington South and Finsbury. (67104)
- 74N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the NHS plans to include booster vaccinations in the NHS app. (67095)

75N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will ask the NHS to allow people to book their appointments for booster covid-19 vaccinations in advance so that they can schedule an appointment immediately after the expiry of six months from the date of their second dose.

(67096)

76N **Theresa Villiers** (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will ask NHS England to ensure that people who do not have access to online services are notified of their covid-19 booster vaccination appointment by other non-digital means.

(67097)

- 77N **Theresa Villiers** (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will ask NHS England to include records of covid-19 booster vaccinations in the NHS App. (67098)
- 78N **Nadia Whittome** (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will require the wearing of face coverings on public transport in response to the increasing number of cases of covid-19, hospitalisations and deaths.

 (67319)
- 79N Fleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, for what reason Chile was only removed from the red travel list on 8 October 2021. (67284)
- 80N **Fiona Bruce** (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with her Cuban counterparts on the detention of Pastor Lorenzo Rosales Fajardo. (67122)
- 81N Chris Law (Dundee West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what progress the Government has
 made on achieving the commitments set out in the UK's Voluntary National
 Review of Progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals, published in
 2019.

 [Transferred] (66207)
- 82N **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what funding her Department has allocated to Stonewall in each of the last five years; and for what projects. (67045)
- 83N Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 1 November 2021 to Question 63862 on Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office: Afghanistan, whether the cost of the Joint Afghanistan Casework Unit will be counted as Official Development Assistance. (67247)
- 84N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 27 October to Question 61126 on Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office: Jaguar Land Rover, how many of the (a) 23 petrol hybrid, (b) 9 battery electric

vehicles and (c) 21 other vehicles procured by FCDO Services from Jaguar Land Rover since 1 January 2020 were purchased for use (i) in the UK and (ii) overseas.

(67105)

- 85N Bambos Charalambous (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) hotels and hostels are placed in each local authority and (b) asylum seekers are currently living in hotels and hostels in each local authority.

 (67232)
- 86N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 28 October 2021 to Question 62775 on Refugees: Afghanistan, what estimate she has made of the date on which she will know how many Afghan refugees under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy scheme (a) have been resettled into housing and (b) remain in bridging hotels; and for what reason that data not readily available as of 28 October 2021.
- 87N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 27 October 2021 to Question 58941 on Visas: Afghanistan, how many applications for visas to the UK have been made by Afghan nationals in each month of 2021, by type of visa; and what the cost in fees is of each of those types of visa. (67195)
- 88N **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of Afghan children who have been relocated under Operation Warm Welcome are now in school.

 (67175)
- 89N **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what support the Government has put in place to ensure that Afghan children who have arrived in the UK under Operation Warm Welcome are able to access a school place; and by what date all of those children will be in school. (67176)
- 90N **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people (a) whose registered address was in asylum accommodation and (b) on subsistence-only asylum support have died since 1 April 2016; and how many serious incident reports on deaths of asylum seekers her Department has received from asylum accommodation contactors since 1 April 2016. (67177)
- 91N **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, which clauses of the Nationality and Borders Bill she plans to seek legislative consent for from devolved legislatures. (67178)
- 92N **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to publish an economic impact assessment of the Nationality and Borders Bill. (67180)

- 93N Ian Murray (Edinburgh South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with the Scottish Government on the settlement of and provision for asylum seekers within the Glasgow City Council area. (67123)
- 94N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will take steps to accelerate the activation of Emergency Area Service masts in Wales. (67220)
- 95N **Crispin Blunt** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many nuclear test veterans have submitted claims under any compensation scheme; and how many of those claims have been successful. (67040)
- 96N **Crispin Blunt** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which compensation schemes are open for nuclear test veterans of tests that took place prior to 2005. (67041)
- 97N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 8 July 2021 to Question 27029, on Armed Forces: Recruitment, when he plans to provide an answer on the proportion of applicants to the (a) British Army, (b) Royal Navy and (c) Royal Air Force who were rejected in each of the last five years. (67079)
- 98N Chris Evans (Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many personnel will be given hearing tests, subsequent to using headsets that have had a time limit put on them in the Warrior vehicles. (67131)
- 99N Chris Evans (Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many personnel will be given hearing tests, subsequent to using headsets that have had a time limit put on them in the Combat Vehicle Reconnaissance family. (67132)
- 100NChris Evans (Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the procurement of headsets for use by personnel in the Ajax armoured vehicles is included in the contract with General Dynamics. (67133)
- 101NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 23 of his Department's Climate Change and Sustainability Strategic Approach published on 30 March 2021, what discussions he has had with his counterpart in NATO on further cooperation on (a) adapting to and (b) mitigating against the effects of climate change in each of the last 12 months. (67055)
- 102NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to page 22 of his Department's Climate Change and Sustainability Strategic Approach published on 30 March 2021, what progress he has made on developing a set of defence climate assumptions for capability development. (67056)
- 103NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Afghans and their families who are eligible for relocation to the UK through the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy have been relocated to the UK since the end of Operation Pitting. (67057)

- 104N**John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he plans to publish the refresh to the National Shipbuilding Strategy. (67058)
- 105NDan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to support (a) Afghan nationals and (b) their dependents previously employed by the National Directorate of Security with relocation to the UK. (67160)
- 106NDan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made in the increase in the number of (a) sexual harassment and (b) rape complaints from girls under the age of 18 in the armed forces; and if he will make a statement. (67161)
- 107NCrispin Blunt (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of legally recognising humanist marriages.

 (67042)
- 108NAlex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to paragraph 4.29 of the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021, published on 27 October 2021, how much and what proportion of the additional £324 million to tackle backlogs and improve timeliness will be allocated to (a) civil courts, (b) family courts and (c) tribunals.
- 109NAlex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of defendants who have been prosecuted under the Single Justice Procedure in each of the last 5 years have disabilities. (67143)
- 110N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of criminal cases in which children were defendants have been summary-only offences in each of the last five years. (67144)
- 111N Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what proportion of all defendants have not entered a plea since the introduction of the Single Justice Procedure. (67145)
- 112N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when he plans to review version four of the Joint Interim Interview Protocol which applies to detainees in police custody. (67146)
- 113N **Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what plans he has to reduce the delays in hearing cases at Westferry Family Court. (67050)
- 114N **Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the impact on (a) children and (b) families of the seven month delay in hearing cases at Westferry Family Court. (67051)
- 115N Sir Charles Walker (Broxbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answers of 27 October 2021 to Questions 58755 and 58756, on Crimes against the Person: Members, for what reason his Department does not specifically record and track those convictions related to attacks and threats made against Members of Parliament; and if he will make a statement. (67094)

- 116N Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the court backlog is for child sexual abuse cases. (67321)
- 117N Ian Murray (Edinburgh South): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, with reference to the Written Statement on Contingencies Fund Advance, 29 October 2021, HCWS359, what discussions he has had with the Scottish Government on the £12 billion advance from the Contingencies Fund; and for what reason the advance is required.
- 118N Jonathan Ashworth (Leicester South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to his Department's Press Release of Saturday October 23 2021 entitled £5 billion pound package in R&D to spur innovation in healthcare, for what reason funding for exploring innovative technologies for diagnosing and detecting dementia was not included in the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021.
- 119N Mr Gregory Campbell (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 19 July 2021 to Question 33130, if he will hold discussions with the British Business Bank to help ensure that the standard terms and eligibility criteria support UK nations and regions to access investment support.
- 120NMary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the level of statutory maternity pay.(67267)
- 121N Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the impact of the level of statutory maternity pay on the ability of couples to afford to start a family.

 (67268)
- 122N**Mr Richard Holden** (North West Durham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the balance of trade is for (a) dairy products, (b) cheese and (c) cream. (67292)
- 123NSarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of supporting the adoption of a global corporation tax rate above 15 percent. (67227)
- 124NChi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021, how savings to the public purse through restricting R&D tax credits to UK research is planned to be spent; and whether that spending will be counted as public R&D expenditure and so contribute to the Government's 2.4 per cent target for R&D spend as a proportion of GDP.
- 125N**Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for what reason pure maths is not included as research for which R&D tax credits can be claimed. (67148)
- 126N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 29 October 2021 to Questions 63715-9 on Budgets: Disclosure of Information, what supplementary guidance he or the

Permanent Secretary of his Department has produced or authorised, such that the 2013 Macpherson review wording of section 5.3 on the pre-release of the core of the Budget may be understood as only applying to tax changes with immediate effect; on what date such guidance was circulated to civil servants; by which Minister it was authorized; and whether he will place a copy in the Library. (67134)

- 127NBridget Phillipson (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the Exchequer Secretary to the Treasury was physically present in the Darlington Economic Campus on (a) Monday, (b) Tuesday, (c) Wednesday, (d) Thursday and (e) Friday of the week commencing 11 October 2021. (67135)
- 128NMr Virendra Sharma (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps the Government is taking to ensure that people with a mental health disability under the Equality Act 2010 are not denied life insurance cover as a result of their disability or for other discriminatory reasons. (67115)

Questions for Answer on Monday 8 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when his Department plans to publish its annual reports and accounts for 2020-21. (67212)
- 2N Chris Bryant (Rhondda): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department has taken to include Acquired Brain Injury in the Special Educational Needs and Disability Code of Practice. (67083)
- 3N Chris Bryant (Rhondda): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he has taken to ensure that additional training on acquired brain injury awareness is in place for school-based staff, particularly named lead professionals who support pupils with an Acquired Brain Injury and Special Educational Needs Coordinators.

 (67084)
- 4N **Chris Bryant** (Rhondda): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he has taken to ensure that children and young people with an Acquired Brain Injury have a return to school pathway plan that provides tailored support for them, their family and their teachers. (67086)
- 5N **Chris Bryant** (Rhondda): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps officials in his Department is taking with officials in other Government departments to establish a joined up approach to support children and adults with an Acquired Brain Injury. (67087)

- 6N Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 1 November 2021 to Question 64729, on Rivers: Sewage, what the hourly pay for staff in the Digital Engagement and Creative Content team is; and how many hours it took to produce the video.

 (67249)
- 7N **Ms Karen Buck** (Westminster North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what timeframe his Department has in place for issuing digital Covid recovery certificates; how many people were waiting for those certificates at 28 October 2021, what estimate his Department has made of the average time taken to issue certificates; and if he will make a statement. (67052)
- 8N Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the cost of publishing the names of companies in the fast-track PPE procurement lane. (67211)
- 9N Sarah Atherton (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to guidance for Defence Primary Healthcare on identifying unpaid carers, published in 2018, how many and what proportion of Defence Primary Healthcare practices have a carers lead in place. (67318)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 9 November

Questions for Written Answer

1N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of proposed changes to the normal minimum pension age on the Pensions Dashboard which is built around the concept of a single retirement age. (67054)