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Questions tabled on Tuesday 23 November 2021

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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 24 November

Questions for Written Answer

- Bridget Phillipson (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has issued any guidance, internally or to other Departments on the risks or benefits of contracting companies to provide payroll finance solutions to staff delivering public services, in the last 10 years.

 [Transferred] (79353)
- 2 Mr Kevan Jones (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the reasons for the increase in petrol and diesel prices over the last six months. [Transferred] (79289)
- Bridget Phillipson (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much and what proportion of the £560 million for the Multiply programme announced in the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021 he plans to disburse in (a) 2022-23, (b) 2023-24 and (c) 2024-25. [Transferred] (79356)
- 4 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much and what proportion of the £560 million for the Multiply programme announced in the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021 he plans to disburse in each region of England in 2022-23. [Transferred] (79357)
- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he last discussed Walley's Quarry with the Prime Minister.

[Transferred] (79467)

- Ms Karen Buck (Westminster North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what estimate he has made of the (a) number of tenants in rent arrears as a result of the covid-19 outbreak and (b) total amount of those arrears.

 [Transferred] (79265)
- 7 **Ms Karen Buck** (Westminster North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if she will commission independent research to estimate the (a) number of tenants in rent arrears as a result of the covid-19 outbreak and (b) total sum of those arrears. [Transferred] (79266)
- Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what provisions are in place for British nationals who are in the UK under the Afghan Relocation and Assistance Policy or will be in the UK under the Afghan Citizens' Resettlement Scheme and who wish to be resettled in a specific place as a result of the availability of existing support systems.

[Transferred] (79408)

- 9 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, on which date each of the freeports announced in the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021 (a) came into or (b) is planned to come into operation. [Transferred] (79354)
- 10 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish a transport freight strategy on the move of freight from road to rail.

 [Transferred] (78437)
- 11 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when the outcome was of the full review of all driving offences and penalties, to ensure people who endanger lives and public safety are properly punished, announced 6 May 2014. [Transferred] (79344)
- 12N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what additional resources his Department plans to put in place to enable businesses to talk to representatives of HMRC in person about tax returns and other matters affected by the covid-19 outbreak.

 [Transferred] (78438)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 25 November

Questions for Written Answer

Robert Largan (High Peak): To ask the Attorney General, how many senior civil servants employed by her Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80512)

- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in his Department travelled to COP26 by airplane. (80468)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will publish all details of meetings between Ministers and officials from his Department and representatives of Summit Resorts and Developments Limited, or its predecessor David Lloyd Developments Limited, since January 2019. (80342)
- 4 Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties.
- Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what recent progress he has made on implementing the recommendations of the Taskforce on Innovation, Growth and Regulatory Reform relevant to his Department. (80233)
- 6N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what proportion of hospitality businesses that applied for a loan under the Recovery Loan Scheme were successful in their application in (a) Birmingham, (b) the West Midlands and (c) the UK. [Transferred] (79447)
- Luke Hall (Thornbury and Yate): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will include provisions in the forthcoming Employment Bill to ensure that neonatal leave and pay is accessible to all parents with a baby in neonatal care, including those parents who are under 25 years old.

(80351)

- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in his Department travelled to COP26 by airplane.
- 9 **Robert Largan** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many senior civil servants employed by his Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80495)
- 10 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Government's plans to invest £20 billion in Research and Development by 2024-25, what proportion of that funding will be allocated to research that uses and seeks to further develop (a) the use of advanced cultures of human cells and tissues, (b) artificial intelligence, (c)

- organ-on-a-chip technology human tissue models and (d) other techniques that do not use animals relevant to disease modelling and drug testing for humans; and if he will make a statement. (80272)
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether the new Advanced Research and Invention Agency will provide dedicated funding for research that uses and seeks to further develop (a) the use of advanced cultures of human cells and tissues, (b) artificial intelligence, (c) organ-on-a-chip technology human tissue models and (d) other techniques that do not use animals relevant to disease modelling and drug testing for humans; whether he plans to make an assessment of the potential merits of having as a focus for that Agency the acceleration of the replacement of animal experiments with such techniques; and if he will make a statement. (80273)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will publish all details of meetings between Ministers and officials from his Department and representatives of Summit Resorts and Developments Limited, or its predecessor David Lloyd Developments Limited, since January 2019. (80341)
- 13 Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when his Department plans to publish the final report on the innovation loans pilot programme; and with reference to the press release of 21 November 2021, what criteria were used to assess that programme.
- Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80385)
- Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent progress he has made on implementing the recommendations of the Taskforce on Innovation, Growth and Regulatory Reform relevant to his Department. (80232)
- Dr Alan Whitehead (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, for what reason on-farm solutions, such as biomethane, are not included in the Green Gas Support Scheme. (80185)
- 17 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the future role of small-scale biogas plants in mitigating farm methane emissions. (80186)
- Dr Alan Whitehead (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, for what reason farm biogas plants are not included in the Green Gas Support Scheme. (80190)

- 19 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if his Department will develop an alternative scheme to support small off-grid biomethane supply on farms following their exclusion from the Green Gas Support Scheme. (80191)
- 20 Carolyn Harris (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if she will take steps in the forthcoming gambling White Paper to end football club sponsorship by gambling companies which do not have an operational website and which offer gambling via cryptocurrency. (80381)
- 21 Carolyn Harris (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if she will take steps in the forthcoming gambling White Paper to end front of shirt sponsorship by gambling companies which do not have an operational website and offer gambling via cryptocurrency. (80382)
- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture,
 Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question
 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in her
 Department travelled to COP26 by airplane.
- Robert Largan (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, how many senior civil servants employed by her Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80496)
- 24 Carla Lockhart (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to encourage and promote participation in sport by children and young people with autism. (80517)
- 25N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what trans-Atlantic technology co-operation her Department is supporting (a) generally and (b) in the field of telecommunications; and how does that support compare with that of the Trade and Technology Council.

 [Transferred] (79366)
- 26 Henry Smith (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department plans to include consideration in the Gambling Act review of the introduction of testing for new amusement machines and games to gather evidence on regulatory reforms and social responsibility measures.
- 27 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if she will make it her policy to undertake regular reviews of the gambling sector to ensure that policy, regulation, stakes and prizes are kept up to date.

 (80279)

- Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department takes to ensure that at least one official from her Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80386)
- Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has taken steps in response to the Islamic Centre of England's holding of a vigil in memory of General Qassem Soleimani in June 2020 contravening regulatory advice and guidance set out by the Charity Commission.
- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to WPQ 75126, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in his Department travelled to COP26 by airplane. (80471)
- Robert Largan (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many senior civil servants employed by his Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80497)
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what criteria his Department is using to determine whether proposals for a Sharia-compliant alternative student finance system will be included in the conclusion of the Review of Post-18 Education and Funding; if he will publish the (a) timetable for considering the recommendations made by the independent panel that reported to that review and (b) estimated date of conclusion of that review; and if he will make a statement.
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate he has made of the average amount of time it takes to prepare, draft and implement an education, health and care plan in England. (80350)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing a specific arts premium in the education system. (80362)
- Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when his Department plans to publish the full response to Sir Philip Augar's review of Post-18 Education and Funding. (80445)
- Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80387)

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 dated 22 September 2021 from the hon. Member for West Lancashire, reference ZA57747.

(80256)

- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in his Department travelled to COP26 by airplane. (80467)
- 39 **Robert Largan** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many senior civil servants employed by his Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80498)
- 40 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Government's proposals to deregulate gene editing, announced on 29 September 2021, what criteria he plans to use to determine whether an organism produced by gene editing or another technology could have been produced by traditional breeding or not. (80271)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will publish a (a) list of the companies his Department has engaged in the delivery and operation of inland border control posts and (b) a timetable for any contracts awarded for that purpose. (80336)
- 42 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80388)
- Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent progress he has made on implementing the recommendations of the Taskforce on Innovation, Growth and Regulatory Reform relevant to his Department. (80234)
- Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will provide a substantive response to the letter dated 13 June 2021 from the hon. Member for Chipping Barnet on the challenges faced by agricultural shows following the covid-19 outbreak. (80239)
- 45 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to encourage UK farmers to invest in on-farm methane reduction. (80187)
- 46 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential for farm conversion of agri-food bio-wastes into bioenergy in the UK. (80188)

- 47 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will bring forward a comprehensive rural decarbonisation strategy to help farms and SME food businesses to reduce emissions and replace fossil fuels, in advance of 2030. (80189)
- 48 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans his Department has to reduce rural methane emissions from farms. (80192)
- 49 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help improve soil health on UK farms. (80193)
- 50 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to encourage local action by farmer groups to improve soil and water resource management in rural areas. (80194)
- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in her Department travelled to COP26 by airplane.
- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps he Department will take to encourage global investment in the UK's maritime sector. (80479)
- Robert Largan (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, how many senior civil servants employed by her Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021.
- Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps her Department takes to ensure that at least one official from her Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80389)
- Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the risk of building new homes in flood prone areas; and what steps he is taking to ensure that new homes are not built in areas of high flood risk.

 (80442)
- Sir Geoffrey Cox (Torridge and West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent estimate he has made of the costs being passed on to leaseholders for (a) remediation works for fire-safety defects and (b) waking-watch and fire alarm installation in buildings under 18 metres in height that have been independently assessed as being a fire risk. (80241)

- 57 **Sir Geoffrey Cox** (Torridge and West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of (a) capping total costs relating to the remediation of fire safety defects that can be passed on to leaseholders at a percentage of the value of their equity in the property and (b) providing financial support in cases where the original developer has ceased trading and compensation can no longer be recovered through the Defective Premises Act 1972, for buildings under 18 metres in height that have been assessed as a fire risk.
- Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling
 Up, Housing and Communities, when his Department plans to respond to the
 consultation on raising accessible housing standards. (80457)
- Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether all new homes will meet the accessible and adaptable standard following the consultation on raising accessibility standards for new homes.

 (80458)
- 60 Paul Howell (Sedgefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the population density of a town or village would have to be to qualify for an Urban Pocket Park. (80494)
- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to
 Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many
 Ministers in his Department travelled to COP26 by airplane. (80476)
- Robert Largan (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many senior civil servants employed by his Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80500)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will publish all details of meetings between Ministers and officials from his Department and representatives of Summit Resorts and Developments Limited, or its predecessor David Lloyd Developments Limited, since January 2019.
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment his Department made of rental prices prior to the decision to maintain the Local Housing Allowance levels.
- Matthew Pennycook (Greenwich and Woolwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when he plans to respond to the letter of 8 October 2021 from the hon. Member for Greenwich and Woolwich on his constituent's application to the Building Safety Fund. (80416)

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- Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling
 Up, Housing and Communities, which teams within his Department work on (a)
 elections and (b) constitutional policy.

 (80321)
- Jeff Smith (Manchester, Withington): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the £1.5 billion fund announced in March 2021 to support businesses that were not able to benefit from business rates relief during the covid-19 outbreak, whether he plans to give local authorities information on the amounts that they are likely to receive for the purposes of assisting with their financial planning. (80352)
- Op, Housing and Communities, with reference to the £1.5 billion fund announced in March 2021 to support businesses that were not able to benefit from business rates relief during the covid-19 outbreak, when he plans to publish indicative criteria as to which businesses are eligible to receive assistance via that fund. (80353)
- Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties.

 (80391)

- 70 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of integrating the English planning and building inspectorate systems to help ensure that Fire Authority planning application recommendations are implemented. (80420)
- 71 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has made an assessment of the advantages of planning and building inspectorates of other OECD countries.

(80421)

- 72 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department plans to change the English planning system to mitigate fire risk in the context of the Grenfell disaster.

 (80422)
- Harriett Baldwin (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what information his Department has received from Highways England on plans for the A46 between Teddington Hands roundabout and Evesham; and what records his Department holds on the number of (a) crashes and (b) fatal accidents on that route in each of the last five years.

- 74 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the timeframe for the (a) publication of the results of the South Western Railway and Network Rail stakeholder consultation and (b) implementation of proposed December 2022 timetable changes on South Western Railway.
- Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish (a) a detailed breakdown of the stakeholder responses to the South Western Railway and Network Rail stakeholder consultation and (b) the full responses to that consultation. (80452)
- 76 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the estimated cost savings as a result of the proposed timetable changes on South Western Railway. (80453)
- 77 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the correspondence between his Department and senior representatives of South Western Railway since the launch of the South Western Railway and Network Rail stakeholder consultation in July 2021. (80454)
- 78 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish any assessments his Department has undertaken on the carbon impact of reducing South Western Railway services from the level they were at prior to the covid-19 outbreak. (80455)
- 79 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will provide details of any proposed reductions in headcount at South Western Railway as a result of the proposed December 2022 timetable changes. (80456)
- Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in his Department travelled to COP26 by airplane.
- 81 **Sir Greg Knight** (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to help prevent the growth of invasive Japanese knotweed alongside highways. (80212)
- Robert Largan (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many senior civil servants employed by his Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80501)
- 83 Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with EU officials on the potential impact of the 90 in 180 day rule on UK citizens working in the EU. (80345)

- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the experience following the UK's departure from the EU of light haulage and express couriers who operate across the EU. (80346)
- 85 **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with representatives of the motor insurance industry on encouraging the shared use of cars by increasing the availability and affordability of appropriate policies. (80222)
- Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department has taken to broaden the UK's recognition of covid-19 vaccination status with respect to vaccines administered overseas beyond the existing list of countries.
- 87 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to improve direct transport links into central Manchester from Southport with (a) the rail network and (b) the bus network. (80444)
- Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80390)
- 89 Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent progress he has made on implementing the recommendations of the Taskforce on Innovation, Growth and Regulatory Reform relevant to his Department.

 (80235)
- 90 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to support rural production of (a) biogas and (b) biomethane on farms for use as a vehicle fuel to replace red diesel.

 (80195)
- 91 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of the use of biomethane to replace diesel in the rural haulage sector. (80196)
- 92 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on the use of biomethane and hydrogen in rural areas that are not connected to the gas grid. (80197)
- 93 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department is taking to support people in financial hardship with utility bill payments in winter 2021-22. (80480)

- 94 Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 18 November 2021 to Question 75018 on Universal Credit, how many waivers have been rejected in each respective period.

 (80355)
- 95 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people are currently waiting in the backlog of applicants who need to attend a Work Capability Assessment. (80405)
- 96 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people are waiting to attend a Personal Independence Payment assessment. (80406)
- 97 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average length of time is that a person must wait to attend a Work Capability Assessment. (80407)
- 98 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what is the current average length of time an individual must wait to attend a Personal Independence Payment assessment. (80408)
- 99 **Vicky Foxcroft** (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average length of time is that a person must wait to receive the outcome of their Personal Independence Payment assessment. (80409)
- 100 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what is the current average length of time an individual must wait to receive the outcome of their Work Capability Assessment. (80410)
- 101 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in her Department travelled to COP26 by airplane. (80478)
- 102 **Robert Largan** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many senior civil servants employed by her Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80502)
- 103 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the success rate is for applications to the Support for Mortgage Interest loan scheme compared to the previous Support for Mortgage Interest payment scheme. (80332)
- 104 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how the actual cost of the implementation of the automated identification process in universal credit compared to estimate of £7.35 million, as stated in evidence to the court in the Johnson litigation. (80333)

- Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department takes to ensure that at least one official from her Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80392)
- 106 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of support available for prescription medication for people addicted to drugs who wish to withdraw. (80441)
- 107 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to monitor long covid. (80281)
- 108 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when his Department plans to publish the Government's Vaccine Strategy. (80282)
- 109 Anthony Browne (South Cambridgeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to NHS England data from March 2020 to September 2021 which shows that urgent suspected urology cancer referrals were at 83.5 per cent of the pre-covid-19 outbreak baseline, what steps his Department is taking to (a) raise awareness of prostate cancer amongst higher risk men and (b) help ensure that those who have missed treatment are identified before their cancer has progressed to be non-curable.
- 110 **Brendan Clarke-Smith** (Bassetlaw): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health and the British Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition to introduce national standards for the treatment of varices in children. (80481)
- 111 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of local authority referrals into social care are allocated to occupational therapists. (80487)
- 112 Elliot Colburn (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the cost to the NHS of the treatment of strokes and heart attacks in people with chronic kidney disease.

 (80488)
- 113 Elliot Colburn (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 9 November 2021 to Question 62570, on Kidney Diseases: Dialysis Machines, when his Department expects all renal centres to meet the recommendation outlined in the GiRFT report to achieve a 20 per cent minimum home dialysis rate; and what steps his Department plans to take to encourage those centres that have achieved a 20 per cent minimum home dialysis rate to increase that rate.

(80213)

- 114 Elliot Colburn (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 9 November 2021 to Question 62570, on Kidney Diseases: Dialysis Machines, whether his Department plans to set a deadline for each of the renal clinical networks to implement a workforce plan to ensure the delivery of the dialysis programme as set out in the GiRFT report. (80490)
- 115 Rosie Cooper (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to the letter dated 17 September 2021 from the hon. Member for West Lancashire, reference ZA57710. (80255)
- 116 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 15 November 2021 to Question 66237 on Catheters: Urinary Tract Infections, what his timelines is for the delivery of the national manual for infection prevention. (80403)
- 117 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 15th November 2021 to Question 66237 on Catheters: Urinary Tract Infections, whether the national manual for infection prevention will be subject to consultation. (80404)
- 118 Mrs Sharon Hodgson (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take to raise public awareness of the signs and symptoms of the most life-threatening diseases in young people, particularly brain tumours, meningitis and sepsis. (80243)
- 119 Mr Kevan Jones (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of opioid-related deaths in the North East in each of the last five years. (80221)
- 120 Ruth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in his Department travelled to COP26 by airplane. (80470)
- 121 Sir Greg Knight (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 21 June 2021 to Question 17694, on Bridlington and District Hospital, what recent progress has been made on the (a) development of the stroke inpatient rehabilitation service within Bridlington Hospital and (b) virtual outpatient and multi-disciplinary consultations referenced in that Answer.
- 122 Robert Largan (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many senior civil servants employed by his Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80503)
- 123 Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to (a) identify and (b) publish any conflicts of interests on Integrated Care Boards. (80411)

- 124 Clive Lewis (Norwich South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the risk of conflicts of interest arising on Integrated Care Boards. (80412)
- 125 Carla Lockhart (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to assess the effectiveness of personal protective equipment used by front line health workers in protecting them from transmission of covid-19. (80515)
- 126 Carla Lockhart (Upper Bann): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many rapid lateral flow kits have been dispatched to addresses in Northern Ireland since the start of the covid-19 outbreak. (80516)
- 127 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 76637, on Ambulance Services: Standards, whether additional fall prevention work is being undertaken to reduce the number of ambulances required following preventable falls; and if he will make a statement.
- 128 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many positive covid-19 cases have been linked to the MSC Virtuosa outbreak. (80334)
- 129 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the provision of monitored dosage systems by pharmacies. (80344)
- 130 **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 reviewing prescription guidelines following the decision by the Competition and Markets Authority to fine Advanz for the inflation of the price of Liothyronine. (80347)
- 131 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what criteria his Department applied in the decision making process for the automatic approval extension of lateral flow tests, previously approved until 4 February 2022. (80348)
- 132 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when the CTDA approval process for Lateral Flow Tests will be concluded. (80349)
- 133 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has for the future delivery of health protection measures. (80363)
- 134 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of local authorities continuing with (a) administering (i) lateral flow and (ii) PCR covid-19 tests and (b) contact tracing.

 (80364)

- 135 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when his Department's contracts with national (a) contact tracing and (b) testing programmes for covid-19 are due to end. (80365)
- 136 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has (a) plans and (b) a timeframe for ceasing the allocation of funding for asymptomatic testing.

 (80366)
- 137 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has plans for the UK Health Security Agency to take forward the public health approach to covid-19 management. (80367)
- 138 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has plans to scale down capacity for testing for covid-19. (80368)
- 139 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that local directors of public health are able to determine the local management of covid-19 in 2022. (80369)
- 140 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the length of waiting times for children to access treatment from CAHMS; and what criteria must be met before a child can be treated. (80447)
- Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to create more spaces in respite centres for adults with disabilities in the North West; and what further support he will make available for people for whom there is not space. (80448)
- 142 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the length of time for adults over the age of 25 without an Education and Health Care Plan to be diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder; and what assessment his Department has made of the impact on those adults of the time taken for that diagnosis. (80449)
- 143 Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to further improve communications between (a) CCGs, (b) GPs, and (c) care homes to raise awareness and understanding of the CHC referral process. (80450)
- 144 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether vaccines approved and administered by the medical authorities in Barbados be recognised by the NHS COVID pass. (80491)
- 145 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government is taking to help ensure that people without access to online services can prove their covid-19 vaccination status. (80283)

- 146 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester, Withington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will clarify guidance on the ability for a prescription for medical cannabis given by a specialist to subsequently be taken over by a GP under a shared care arrangement. (80354)
- 147 Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has had recent discussions with the Chancellor on the Exchequer of the adequacy of the level of taxation on GPs pensions. (80228)
- 148 Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of effectiveness of the NHS 111 service at (a) identifying and (b) recommending patients who can be treated in primary care settings instead of A&E departments. (80229)
- 149 Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of the NHS 111 service on trends in the level of patient numbers attending A&E departments in NHS hospitals.
- 150 Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent progress he has made on implementing the recommendations of the Taskforce on Innovation, Growth and Regulatory Reform relevant to his Department. (80231)
- 151 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when covid-19 vaccinated children under the age of 16 will be able to demonstrate their vaccination status using NHS covid pass; and whether the vaccination information of those children will appear on the (a) digital and (b) physical pass. (80417)
- 152 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to prevent unnecessary patient journeys as set out in the NHS's plan for Delivering a Net Zero National Health Service, published on 1 October 2020. (80182)
- 153 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of (a) the proportion of NHS greenhouse gas emissions attributed to patient transport and (b) what proportion is attributed to patients receiving in-centre dialysis. (80183)
- 154 **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the cost to the NHS of patient transport for people receiving dialysis in treatment centres. (80184)
- Harriett Baldwin (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much her Department (a) has spent on demining activity in South Sudan in the last ten years and (b) plans to spend on demining in South Sudan in each of the next three years. (80295)

- 156 Harriett Baldwin (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much her Department (a) has
 spent in the last ten years and (b) plans to spend in each of the next three years
 on demining in (i) Iraq, (ii) Lebanon, (iii) Myanmar, (iv) Vietnam, (v) Angola, (vi)
 Cambodia and (vii) Zimbabwe.
- 157 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, by what date she expects the UK to have donated to developing countries half of the 100 million doses of covid-19 vaccine that it has committed. (80434)
- 158 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 23
 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government,
 how many Ministers in her Department travelled to COP26 by airplane. (80465)
- 159 **Robert Largan** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many senior civil servants
 employed by her Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the
 UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September
 2021.
- 160 **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps she is taking to further
 assist refugees situated and indefinitely detained in overcrowded centres in Libya.

 (80482)
- Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department takes to
 ensure that at least one official from her Department is present during all (a)
 meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers
 and third parties.

 (80394)
- 162 Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the oral contribution of the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State of 5 July 2021, Official report, column 606, when the Government plans to begin the time-limited review into sex offenders changing their names; and what the terms of reference of that review will be. (80315)
- 163 **Bambos Charalambous** (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what representations she has received from businesses and trade organisations on the effect on HGV driver shortages of adding HGV drivers to the Shortage Occupation List. (80431)
- 164 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the ability of travellers without access to the internet to complete the passenger locator form when returning to the UK. (80493)

- Margaret Ferrier (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will publish specific extracted data for Scotland from the Annual Statistics of Scientific Procedures on Living Animals, Great Britain 2020, published by her Department on 15 July 2021.
 (80330)
- 166 Margaret Ferrier (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate her Department has made of the number of animal deaths that occurred at licensed scientific testing facilities in 2020. (80331)
- 167 **Robert Largan** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many senior civil servants employed by her Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80505)
- 168 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the oral contribution of the Minister for Afghan Resettlement of 17 November 2021, to the Home Affairs Select Committee on Afghanistan: safe routes and resettlement, at Q101 HC 706, if she will publish the safety concerns referred to as they relate to Afghan nationals who were evacuated to the UK during Operation Pitting. (80270)
- 169 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of increasing the support available for asylum seekers since the removal of the six month service standards for the processing of asylum applications by her Department. (80337)
- 170 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, on what date the oldest current outstanding asylum application was submitted to her Department. (80338)
- 171 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what funding her Department has allocated to partnerships of the police with other agencies to tackle misogyny and violence against women and girls.

 (80356)
- 172 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what funding her Department has allocated to partnership working with agencies to divert people from crime in North Yorkshire. (80357)
- 173 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Afghan refugees were residing in bridging hotels as at 22 November 2021. (80358)
- 174 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Afghan refugees have been resettled in housing from bridging hotels between 1 August 2021 and 22 November 2021. (80359)

- 175 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions she has had with the Secretary of State for Levelling up, Housing and Communities on the adequacy local authority housing provision for accommodating Afghan refugees. (80360)
- 176 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions she has had with the Secretary of Sate for Defence Secretary on repurposing his Department's housing to accommodate people under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy scheme. (80361)
- 177 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department plans to take to ensure that (a) victims of serious crimes and (b) their immediate families are provided with effective support following traumatic events. (80446)
- 178 Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department takes to ensure that at least one official from her Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80396)
- 179 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to process the backlog of administrative review applications across immigration routes. (80418)
- 180 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her Department's service standards are for processing administrative review applications across immigration routes as of 23 November 2021.
- 181 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the High Court ruling of 16 November 2021 that Saleh Ibrahim Mabrouk was jointly liable for the killing of WPC Yvonne Fletcher on 17 April 1984, if she will make it her policy to provide all relevant evidence previously withheld on ground of national security to facilitate a potential criminal charge in that matter. (80423)
- 182 Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Leader of the House, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80402)
- 183 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in his Department travelled to COP26 by airplane.

- Robert Largan (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many senior civil servants employed by his Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80507)
- 185 **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions on fully exempting military compensation from financial assessments for social security benefits.

 (80435)
- 186 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 25 October 2021 to Question 47041 on Veterans: Identity Cards, what is the timetable for delivery of phase two of the scheme.
- 187 Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80397)
- 188 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Annual Report of the Independent Monitoring Board at HMP Wayland, published on 23 November 2021, whether he plans to undertake research on the effect on rehabilitation and reoffending of the virtual cessation of programmed courses, vocational and employment training and education for more than a year to date.
- 189 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Annual Report of the Independent Monitoring Board at HMP Wayland, published on 23 November 2021, what steps he is taking to (a) eliminate the shortfall of 28 FTE Band 3 prison office staff at HMP Wayland and (b) increase staffing levels to a level that is compatible with rehabilitation and security. (80263)
- Ms Lyn Brown (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Women need women who support them, published by Advance on 22
 November 2021, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the findings of that report.
- 191 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Women need women who support them, published by Advance on 22 November 2021, what recent assessment he has made of the (a) costs and (b) potential merits of holistic community support provided by women's centres. (80265)
- 192 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to Women need women who support them, published by Advance on 22 November 2021, what recent estimate he has made of the (a) re-arrest and (b) proven reoffending rates for women given a (i) conditional caution followed by support from a women's centre and (ii) short prison sentence. (80266)

- 193 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Women need women who support them report published by Advance on 22 November 2021, what steps he is taking to increase the use of (a) conditional cautions followed by support from a women's centre and (b) community resolutions followed by support from a women's centre relative to court-based disposals for women suspected of low-level offending. (80267)
- 194 **Robert Largan** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many senior civil servants employed by his Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80508)
- 195 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80398)
- 196NLouise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, whether he plans to invite leaders from the Northern Ireland Executive to the Multiparty Talks on Legacy.

 [Transferred] (79420)
- 197 **Robert Largan** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, how many senior civil servants employed by his Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80509)
- 198 Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80399)
- 199 Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Prime Minister, what meetings have taken place between (a) Ministers and/or civil servants and (b) officials from Summit Resorts and Developments Limited (formerly David Lloyd Developments Limited) since 2019.
 (80343)
- 200 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in his Department travelled to COP26 by airplane.
- 201 **Robert Largan** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, how many senior civil servants employed by his Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80511)

202 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties.

(80400)

- 203 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in his Department travelled to COP26 by airplane.
- 204 **Robert Largan** (High Peak): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many senior civil servants employed by his Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80506)
- 205 Gareth Thomas (Harrow West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Answer of 2 March 2021 to Question 157278, on EU Grants and Loans, what progress has been made on ensuring that UK entities are able to (a) participate in and (b) bid for EU funds for EU programmes between 2021-2027, including (i) the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF), (ii) Horizon Europe, (iii) Euratom Research and Training and (iv) Copernicus; and if he will make a statement.
- 206 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80395)
- 207 Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent progress he has made on implementing the recommendations of the Taskforce on Innovation, Growth and Regulatory Reform relevant to his Department.
 (80236)
- 208 Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he can recover payments made to the Islamic Centre of England in Maida Vale, London, under the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme as a result of that organisation's links with the Iranian government. (80238)
- 209 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, when he last met with representatives of the haulage industry in Wales. (80460)
- 210 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what recent estimate he has made of the number of bank branch closures in Wales since July 2019. (80461)
- 211 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 75126 on UN Climate Conference 2021: Government, how many Ministers in his Department travelled to COP26 by airplane.

- 212 **Robert Largan** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, how many senior civil servants employed by his Department were based in each of the 12 NUTS1 regions of the UK on (a) 1 March 2019, (b) 1 March 2020, (c) 1 March 2021 and (d) 1 September 2021. (80510)
- Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80401)

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- Jonathan Edwards (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Attorney General, with reference to the High Court ruling of 16 November 2021 that Saleh Ibrahim Mabrouk was jointly liable for the killing of WPC Yvonne Fletcher on 17 April 1984, if the Government will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing release of evidence relevant to a potential criminal prosecution for that killing, previously withheld on grounds of national security, to the Crown Prosecution Service.
- 2N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what representations he has received from the Scottish Government on the devolution of powers over the UK Civil Service in Scotland. (80485)
- Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to pages 51-2 of the Committee on Standards in Public Life July 2018 report, MPs' Outside Interests, what recent discussions he has had with the Electoral Commission on guidance on the registration of outside interests by candidates at parliamentary elections; and whether he plans to update that guidance. (80322)
- 4N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 17 November 2021 to Question 73936, on Coronavirus: Vaccination, what the average cost to the public purse was of purchasing each of those 100 million doses. (80426)
- 5N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to restrict firework usage to organised displays only. (80414)

- 6N **Mr David Jones** (Clwyd West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he plans to take to encourage the installation of heat pumps by owners of off-gas grid homes. (80240)
- 7N Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what meetings (a) Ministers, (b) special advisers and (c) civil servants in his Department have had with the hon. Member for Shipley since 29 April 2021. (80320)
- 8N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what information her Department holds on the change in problem gambling rates between 2015 and 2020 among those aged between (a) 11-18, (b) 19-25, and (c) 26-35.
- 9N Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what discussions she has had with his Irish counterpart to help facilitate a reciprocal data sharing arrangement for Credit Reference Agencies between the UK and the Republic of Ireland. [Transferred] (79510)
- 10N **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many children known to children's services teams in England and Wales have had child criminal exploitation noted as a risk factor in each of the past three years. (80261)
- 11N Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department has undertaken or commissioned a study or review of the capacity and effectiveness of (a) school based and (b) local authority based educational support staff. (80299)
- 12N Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what estimate his Department has made of the number of (a) teaching assistants and (b) other educational focused support staff employed in schools in England in the latest period for which figures are available. (80300)
- 13N Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many school-based support staff are trained to aid children with special educational needs and disabilities. (80301)
- 14N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will have discussion with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on the merits of using the NHS Number as a single unique identifier for children. (80199)
- 15N **Peter Kyle** (Hove): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many Public Space Protection Orders have been issued by local authorities in response to covid-19 anti-vaccination protests outside school gates. (80413)
- 16N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what his Department's most recent policy is on the teaching of enterprise education in schools. (80308)

17N Bambos Charalambous (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to improve the efficiency of supply chains for UK food, drink and hospitality businesses in the context of HGV driver shortages.

(80432)

- 18N **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, on how many occasions he has discussed the death of Zane Gbangbola with the Environment Agency. (80462)
- 19N **Sir Greg Knight** (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the sufficiency of existing water reservoirs to meet future demand; what plans he has to build further reservoirs or otherwise increase storage capacity; and if he will make a statement.

(80214)

- 20N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many cats were imported using the Pet Travel Scheme in (a) August, (b) September and (c) October 2021. (80483)
- 21N Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to halt and reverse population declines in (a) skylarks and (b) other farmland birds. (80439)
- 22N **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to migratory birds, what steps are the Government taking (a) nationally and (b) internationally to mitigate species decline. (80440)
- 23N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what income thresholds were used to define the global middle class in her departmental paper UK Accession to CPTPP: The UK's Strategic Approach, published on 22 June 2021. (80249)
- 24N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what income thresholds were used to define the global middle class in her departmental report Global Trade Outlook, published on 13 September 2021. (80250)
- 25N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what income thresholds were used to define the (a) global and (b) Indian middle class in her departmental information note on a Free Trade Agreement between the United Kingdom and India, published on 25 May 2021. (80251)
- 26N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what income thresholds were used to define the global middle class in the Board of Trade's report Global Britain, Local Jobs, published on 10 March 2021. (80252)

- 27N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, which of the income thresholds referred to in Footnote 5 of her departmental strategy paper, Made in Britain, Sold to the World, published on 17 November 2021, were used to define the global middle class in Chart 2. (80253)
- 28N Louise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what discussions he has had with the Northern Ireland Executive on the Community Renewal Fund awards. (80378)
- 29N Louise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will publish the criteria by which scores were awarded in respect of the Community Renewal Fund for Northern Ireland. (80379)
- 30N Lucy Powell (Manchester Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when he plans to announce details of the remainder of the £5 billion Building Safety Fund, including how to apply for grants. (80313)
- 31N Lucy Powell (Manchester Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, how many applicants waited (a) 1 month or less, (b)
 between 2 and 6 months, (c) between 7 and 9 months, (d) between 10 and 12
 months and (e) over 1 year for a response to their application to the Building
 Safety Fund.
- 32N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of trends in the number
 of property developers who form limited companies and avoid ongoing liability
 for development sites with which they have been involved in by voluntarily
 striking off or winding-up those companies. (80316)
- 33N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 14 July 2021 to Question 30362 on Community Renewal Fund, what recent assessment he has made of the likelihood of all projects allocated funding by the Community Renewal Fund to be completed by March 2022. (80317)
- 34N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 14 July 2021 to Question 30362 on Community Renewal Fund, whether funding will be withdrawn from projects granted funding by the Community Renewal Fund in the event that those projects are not completed by March 2022. (80318)
- 35N Valerie Vaz (Walsall South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much and what proportion of the Government's levelling up funding will be allocated to (a) Walsall South constituency and (b) Walsall Borough.
- 36N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to support decarbonisation of British ports. (80309)

- 37N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with local authorities in West London and neighbouring Heathrow airport on Southern rail access to Heathrow. (80310)
- 38N **Angela Rayner** (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what correspondence have (a) Ministers, (b) special advisers and (c) civil servants in his Department received from the Rt Hon. Member for Epsom and Ewell since 1 September 2020. (80324)
- 39N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when the Government plans to bring forward legislative proposals on trailer driving tests. (80220)
- 40N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the requirement for DBS or criminal record checks for people who work as private, directly employed care workers. (80307)
- 41N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help tackle the increase in cases of mumps.

 (80215)
- 42N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to reply to Question 35525 tabled on 19 July 2021 on the outcome of discussions with the Thalidomide Trust regarding support for ongoing health needs beyond 2022-23. (80218)
- 43N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to answer Question 60499 tabled by hon. Member for Liverpool, Walton on 21 October 2021. (80436)
- 44N **Rosie Cooper** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to the letter dated 17 September 2021 from the hon. Member for West Lancashire, reference ZA57716.
- 45N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to take steps with the Secretary of State for Education to develop guidance for health, education and children's social care commissioners or providers on sharing information about a child with other relevant health, education and children's social care commissioners or providers. (80198)
- 46N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, by what date he plans to donate his Department's order of 20 million Janssen covid-19 vaccine doses to the Covax scheme. (80433)
- 47N **Jack Dromey** (Birmingham, Erdington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which (a) Ministers, (b) special advisers and (c) civil servants referred Worldlink Resource to the high priority lane for the supply of personal protective equipment during the covid-19 outbreak. (80269)

- 48N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of adding Sickle Cell Anaemia to the NHS prescription charge exemption list. (80415)
- 49N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of new GPs needed to fill NHS shortages in that profession. (80303)
- 50N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what is the average waiting time for a (a) face-to-face and (b) telephone GP appointments in the UK. (80304)
- 51N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what is the average waiting time to speak to a receptionist at a GP surgery in the UK.

 (80305)
- 52N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to allocate funding to existing hospitals that require facilities upgrades following the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021. (80306)
- 53N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what guidance he (a) has issued and (b) plans to issue on how children aged 12 to 17 years old are able to verify their covid-19 vaccination status when travelling overseas. (80244)
- 54N Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the recommendations in the report by the all-party Parliamentary group on Sexual and Reproductive Health, entitled Women's lives, women's rights, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of (a) allocating funding to and (b) expanding the community sexual and reproductive health training programme to enable local areas to meet specialist and primary care contraceptive workforce needs. (80245)
- 55N Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the recommendations in the report by the all-party Parliamentary group on Sexual and Reproductive Health, entitled Women's lives, women's rights, whether his Department has plans to evaluate data collection processes, including GUMCAD, SHRAD and routinely entered GP SNOMED data, to examine the use of contraception. (80246)
- 56N Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the recommendations in the report by the all-party Parliamentary group on Sexual and Reproductive Health, entitled Women's lives, women's rights, whether the forthcoming Sexual and Reproductive Health Strategy will consider the integration of sexual and reproductive health care into existing NHS women's healthcare pathways.

57N Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the recommendations in the report by the all-party Parliamentary group on Sexual and Reproductive Health, entitled Women's lives, women's rights, what steps he is taking with the Secretary of State for Education to ensure that teachers are able to access a single national source of medically accurate, up-to-date and evidence-based information on contraception.

(80248)

- 58N Holly Lynch (Halifax): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 18 November 2021 to Question 73966 on Travel:

 Coronavirus, what his timescale is for ensuring that a NHS COVID Pass is available for fully vaccinated 12 to 15 year olds.

 (80375)
- 59N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the level of covid-19 infections among primary school age children as of 23 November 2021; and what steps he is taking to tackle that matter.

 (80370)
- 60N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the level of covid-19 infections among the over 60s population. (80371)
- 61N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the reasons for lower take-up of the covid-19 booster vaccination across all age groups compared to the take-up of the first two doses of that vaccine.

 (80372)
- 62N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help increase the predictability of the timetable of deliveries of (a) covid-19 and (b) flu vaccines to local vaccination centres. (80373)
- 63N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the scientific basis is for phasing out symptom free covid-19 testing; and what assessment he has made of the impact of the phasing out of that testing on covid-19 infections. (80374)
- 64N **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his Department's process is for (a) recording and (b) keeping minutes of phone calls relating to Government business made by Government ministers and officials.

 (80383)
- 65N **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department takes to ensure that at least one official from his Department is present during all (a) meetings and (b) phone calls relating to Government business between Ministers and third parties. (80393)
- 66N **Derek Twigg** (Halton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate his Department has made of the proportion of private health sector capacity being used as at 1 November 2021 to help reduce NHS waiting lists. (80206)

- 67N **Derek Twigg** (Halton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many (a) diagnostic and (b) surgical procedures were carried out on NHS patients in private sector hospitals which had been referred by the NHS in each month since March 2021. (80207)
- 68N **Derek Twigg** (Halton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average payment made to private sector hospitals was for orthopaedic procedures as at 31 October 2021 or from when the latest figures are available; and what the average cost of that procedure was at NHS trust hospitals. (80208)
- 69N **Derek Twigg** (Halton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many agency nurses were employed in NHS hospital trusts in England in each month since March 2020; and what proportion did those agency nurses represent of the total nursing work force. (80209)
- 70N **Derek Twigg** (Halton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average daily cost was of employing an agency nurse in NHS hospital trusts compared to the cost of a directly employed NHS nurse as at the 31 October 2021.
- 71N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help increase the number of GP surgery appointments available to the public. (80223)
- 72N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to support the recruitment and training of more GPs.

 (80224)
- 73N **Theresa Villiers** (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase the rate of retention of GPs. (80225)
- 74N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase the rate of retention of female GPs.

 (80226)
- 75N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has had recent discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on reform of the tax rules related to GPs' pensions. (80227)
- 76N **Bill Wiggin** (North Herefordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of GPs who have refused to receive a covid-19 vaccination. (80219)
- 77N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2021 to Question 76782, on British Council: Closures, if she will publish the thorough assessment of how the British Council's priorities link to the Government's foreign policy objectives. (80425)

- 78N Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the impact of the reduction in Government funding to the UN Relief and Works Agency on the number of (a) children being provided with basic education each year, (b) Palestinian refugees that have access to health services and (c) the most vulnerable people across the region who have access to the Social Safety Net Programme.
- 79N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 19 November 2021 to Question 75966, on Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office: Staff, when she plans to conclude her Department's strategic workforce plan.
- 80N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 19 November 2021 Question 75963 on Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations: Finance, what the Government's timescale is for finalising individual allocations.
- 81N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps she is taking to negotiate
 a new agreement with China to limit the proliferation of hypersonic missile
 technology, particularly missiles that can be mounted with nuclear warheads. (80205)
- 82N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps she is taking to ensure that engagement with the Taliban regime in Afghanistan is gender balanced.

 (80302)
- 83N Jamie Stone (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what risk assessment was undertaken before awarding the cloud contract for GCHQ, MI5 and MI6 to Amazon.

 [Transferred] (78491)
- 84N Valerie Vaz (Walsall South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when she last met with the High

 Commissioner of India to the UK. (80289)
- 85N Valerie Vaz (Walsall South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if she will publish (a) how many UK
 missions overseas are located in premises owned by the UK Government and (b) a
 list of those missions.

 (80290)
- 86N Valerie Vaz (Walsall South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many UK ambassadors are (a)
 Black, Asian and minority ethnic and (b) to which countries they are ambassadors
 to.

 (80291)

- 87N Valerie Vaz (Walsall South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, (a) how many UK ambassadors are

 women and (b) to which countries are they ambassadors to.

 (80292)
- 88N **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

 Department, what estimate her Department has made of the number of local
 safeguarding partnerships that have a child criminal exploitation strategy. (80257)
- 89N **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many child victims of modern slavery offences involving child criminal exploitation have been flagged on the police national computer in each of the last three years.

 (80258)
- 90N Bambos Charalambous (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of the potential merits of adding HGV drivers to the Home Office Shortage Occupation List on a temporary basis.

 (80430)
- 91N **Damian Collins** (Folkestone and Hythe): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to tackle online fraud. (80280)
- 92N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to punish those guilty of murder of desecrating or concealing the bodies of their victims. (80276)
- 93N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many staff in her Department are operating in Scotland; and on which administrative sites those staff are based. (80486)
- 94N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her timeframe is for bringing forward the Afghan citizens resettlement scheme; and if she will make a statement. (80311)
- 95N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what funding her Department is making available in Feltham and Heston constituency to support programmes working with children and young people who are at risk of crime. (80312)
- 96N **Nick Thomas-Symonds** (Torfaen): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department holds information on every (a) company or (b) employer found to be engaged in modern slavery offences in the UK, under the Modern Slavery Act 2015.
- 97N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 17 November 2021 to Question 76573 on Afghanistan: Refugees, how many Afghans with confirmed eligibility for relocation to the UK under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy are in Afghanistan as of 23 November 2021.

- 98N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many and what proportion of armed forces service leavers have received their veterans ID card. (80203)
- 99N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he expects all armed forces leavers to have received their veterans ID card.

 (80204)
- 100NLayla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many UK service personnel are stationed in Saudi Arabia as at 22 November 2021.
- 101NLayla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has plans to increase the number of UK service personnel stationed in Saudi Arabia.

 [R] (80438)
- 102NBrendan O'Hara (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which
 (a) company or (b) sub-contractors are providing workers to HMNB Clyde during
 the industrial action at that naval base; and which (a) official or (b) Minister in his
 Department was responsible for agreeing that contract.

 (80325)
- 103NBrendan O'Hara (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what level of security clearance the resilience workers have that are working at HMNB Clyde during the industrial action; and whether that security clearance is at the level required at that naval base. (80326)
- 104NBrendan O'Hara (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the compliance between duties of resilience staff at HMNB Clyde with (a) the Working Time Directive and (b) other rest requirements set out in law.

 (80327)
- 105NBrendan O'Hara (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether Capita has reduced the working hours of the staff across the civilian element of Capita Fire and Rescue; and what the total average weekly hours worked by operational staff (a) is as at 23 November 2011 and (b) was prior to transfer.
- 106NBrendan O'Hara (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether all stations included in his Department's contract with Capita received (a) new firefighting vehicles, (b) PPE, (c) training facilities and (d) any other contractual delivery requirements prior to the reduction of staff at certain Capita stations.
- 107N**Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many (a) prosecutions and (b) convictions there have been of offences under the Modern Slavery Act in connection with child criminal exploitation (i) for each of the last three years and (ii) in total since 31 July 2015. (80259)

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- 108N**Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many children were known to youth offending services and have had (a) gangs or (b) child criminal exploitation noted as an issue in each of the last three years. (80260)
- 109NAlex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate his Department has made of the number of young people in secure training centres have (a) hearing loss and (b) are registered as deaf. (80297)
- 110N Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate his Department has made of the number of people in youth detention centres with (a) disabilities and (b) registered disabled. (80298)
- 111N Louise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, whether the legal text of the UK's proposed changes to the Northern Ireland Protocol has been shared with the Northern Ireland Executive. (80376)
- 112N Louise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, how many quarterly updates on progress have been published under the New Decade, New Approach Agreement, Annexe F. (80377)
- 113N **Angela Rayner** (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Prime Minister, when he last met Mr Owen Paterson, the former Rt Hon. Member for North Shropshire. (80323)
- 114N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much interest was paid in servicing the National Debt in (a) October 2020 and (b) October 2021. (80216)
- 115N Kenny MacAskill (East Lothian): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what representations he has received from the Scottish Government on the rate of inheritance tax. (80484)
- 116N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential effect of recent changes to customs import and export legislation on the ability of small businesses to import and export products.

 [Transferred] (79271)
- 117N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment she has made of the impact of the length time taken to transfer data in respect of the Postponed VAT Accounting system on small businesses.

[Transferred] (79272)

- 118N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many calls made to the HMRC self-assessment helpline were not answered at all, in each of the last 36 months. (80284)
- 119N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many calls made to the HMRC VAT helpline were not answered at all, in each of the last 36 months. (80285)

- 120NBridget Phillipson (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many calls made to the HMRC National Insurance helpline were not answered at all, in each of the last 36 months.

 (80286)
- 121N Bridget Phillipson (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many calls made to the HMRC Tax Credits helpline were not answered at all, in each of the last 36 months.

 (80287)
- 122N**Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many calls made to the HMRC employers helpline were not answered at all, in each of the last 36 months. (80288)
- 123NAngela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what meetings (a) Ministers, (b) special advisers and (c) civil servants in his Department have had with the hon. Member for Shipley since 29 April 2021. (80319)
- 124NRuth Jones (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, when he last met representatives of the Muslim Council of Wales. (80463)

Questions for Answer on Monday 29 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 22 November 2021 to Question 76056 on Coronavirus: Government Assistance, for what reason that Answer did not provide details of the specific assistance the Government is providing to people who have been dismissed from their employment as a result of voluntary shielding during the covid-19 outbreak to protect a household member with underlying health conditions; and if she will make a statement. (80518)
- 2N **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure fully covid-19 vaccinated children aged 12 and over can demonstrate their vaccination status for the purposes of international travel. (80268)

Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

- 1 **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): What steps he is taking to protect leaseholders from the costs of fire safety remediation. (904403)
- 2 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): What steps he is taking to ensure all homes meet high climate standards. (904404)

- 3 **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): What recent estimate he has made of the number of children in temporary accommodation. (904405)
- 4 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): What steps he is taking to reform local government finance. (904406)
- 5 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): What steps he is taking to help ensure that local communities are consulted effectively in the planning process for new housing developments. (904407)
- 6 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): What recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Transport on the potential contribution of transport infrastructure to levelling up in Cheshire. (904408)
- 7 **Judith Cummins** (Bradford South): What assessment he has made of the implications for his polices on levelling up of the Integrated Rail Plan. (904409)
- 8 **Kate Osborne** (Jarrow): What steps he is taking to ensure all homes meet high climate standards. (904410)
- 9 Margaret Ferrier (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): What steps his Department is taking to help ensure that the Royal Institution for Chartered Surveyors' guidance on EWS1 forms is not a barrier to people selling their homes. (904411)
- 10 **Ben Bradley** (Mansfield): What steps his Department is taking to empower local authorities to implement levelling up policies. (904412)
- John Lamont (Berwickshire, Roxburgh and Selkirk): What assessment he has made of the potential effect of the Community Renewal Fund on local communities' preparedness for the introduction of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund in the Scottish Borders. (904413)
- 12 **Christian Wakeford** (Bury South): What assessment he has made of the potential economic effect of the Levelling Up Fund in Greater Manchester. (904414)
- 13 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): What support his Department is providing to reduce homelessness in London. (904415)
- 14 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): What assessment he has made of the potential effect of provisions in the Planning (Street Plans) Bill to allow residents to vote on the design of new homes in their streets on levels of housing supply. (904416)
- 15 **Chris Loder** (West Dorset): What steps he is taking to increase opportunity in Dorset. (904417)
- 16 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): What steps he is taking to protect leaseholders from the costs of fire safety remediation. (904418)
- 17 **Liz Twist** (Blaydon): What his Department's timescale is for responding to the consultation on Raising accessibility standards for new homes which closed in December 2020. (904419)

- 18 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): What recent assessment the Government has made of the security of elections from foreign interference. (904420)
- 19 **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): What steps he is taking to protect leaseholders from the costs of fire safety remediation. (904421)
- 20 **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): If he will take steps to help ensure that additional infrastructure is in place before medium to large scale housing developments are started; and if he will make a statement. (904422)
- 21 Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): What assessment he has made of the adequacy of social housing provision in County Durham. (904423)
- 22 **Jane Hunt** (Loughborough): What steps his Department is taking to help increase the number of new homes. (904424)
- 23 James Sunderland (Bracknell): What steps his Department is taking to help communities protect their local assets. (904425)
- 24 **Alicia Kearns** (Rutland and Melton): What steps he is taking to level up rural areas. (904426)
- 25 Marion Fellows (Motherwell and Wishaw): What discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the impact of the United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020 on intergovernmental relations. (904427)

Topical Questions to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

T1	Sara Britcliffe (Hyndburn): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities.	(904428)
T2	Jack Dromey (Birmingham, Erdington):	(904429)
T3	Ms Karen Buck (Westminster North):	(904430)
T4	Mr Toby Perkins (Chesterfield):	(904431)
T5	Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet):	(904432)
T6	Andrew Rosindell (Romford):	(904433)
T7	Nickie Aiken (Cities of London and Westminster):	(904434)
T8	Marion Fellows (Motherwell and Wishaw):	(904435)
T9	Ben Lake (Ceredigion):	(904436)
T10	Stephen Timms (East Ham):	(904437)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 30 November

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has plans to introduce national schemes or grants for home-owners on a low income to undertake essential repairs or home improvements. (80424)
- 2N **Mr David Lammy** (Tottenham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to page 87 of the Justice Select Committee's report on Prison Population 2022, published in March 2019, whether his Department has made an assessment of the savings that could be achieved by moving from prison to community support; and if he will place a copy of that assessment in the Library. (80201)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 1 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Tony Lloyd** (Rochdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has made of the number of people affected by delays in initiating payment of the state pension to those who reach the appropriate retirement age; and if she will make a statement. (80211)
- 2N Sarah Atherton (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when HMS
 Triumph will start her re-fit program; and what the anticipated date is that she
 will re-enter service. (80513)
- 3N Sarah Atherton (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what estimate he has made of when HMS Somerset will (a) commence sea trials and (b) be programmed for re-entry into service. (80514)