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Questions tabled on Friday 3 December 2021

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- N Indicates a question for written answer on a named day under S.O. No. 22(4).
- [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.

Questions for Answer on Monday 6 December

Questions for Written Answer

- Mr Jonathan Lord (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress his Department has made on providing fiscal support to encourage people to (a) upskill and (b) change career paths.

 [Transferred] (86095)
- 2 **Sir Geoffrey Cox** (Torridge and West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to extend the rebate for South West Water customers for a further year, in the context of pricing structures for 2022-23 being determined by water companies early in 2022. [Transferred] (86073)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 7 December

Questions for Written Answer

- Richard Fuller (North East Bedfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what guidance is in place to (a) election returning officer and (b) local authorities for limiting the period when the address details for candidates in elections remain in the public domain. (86543)
- Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has plans to launch a public consultation on the potential impacts of mandating hydrogen-ready boilers. (86570)

- Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of conducting multiple hydrogen village trials by 2025 to better inform a policy decision on hydrogen for heating buildings by 2026. (86571)
- 4 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to increase the number of (a) electrolyser farms and (b) hydrogen pumps in the UK. (86537)
- 5N **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, where the new orders for Pfizer and Moderna vaccines will be produced. [Transferred] (86040)
- 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 online gambling via payment mechanisms other than direct debit such as Klarna and alternative payment systems. (86590)
- 7 **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if she will facilitate discussions between the gambling industry and financial services institutions to ensure gambling operators provide data to prevent harm. (86591)
- 8 Carolyn Harris (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions she has had with the financial services sector to help prevent harmful gambling. (86596)
- 9 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to provide additional support for dyslexic children to obtain diagnoses of their dyslexia, including through the NHS; and what steps he is taking to ensure that those diagnoses are implemented to support a child's education. (86621)
- Mark Tami (Alyn and Deeside): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he has taken to ensure that Ofsted inspections of initial teacher training are consistent with previous inspections in (a) rigour and (b) even handedness. (86535)
- 11 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent steps his Department has taken to tackle nitrogen pollution. (86628)
- 12 **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a mandatory duty for local authorities to employ an Animal Welfare Officer. (86559)
- Robert Halfon (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will introduce measures to ensure that a person is not permitted to keep an animal where the only method of doing so is through the use of a tether.

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- 14 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps the Government will take to tackle deforestation in (a) Malaysia and (b) other countries that participate in deforestation, while protecting the economies of those countries. (86630)
- 15 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps the Government is taking to ensure that cotton produced in Xinjiang province through the forced labour of Uyghur Muslims does not enter the UK supply chain. (86588)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, which district council leaders he has directly engaged regarding the development of county deals. (86622)
- 17 **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the proposed role of Building Safety Manager. (86546)
- Shabana Mahmood (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment his Department has made of (a) the cost to the public purse of the proposed Building Safety Managers and (b) whether that costs constitutes value for money.

 (86547)
- 19 **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent progress his Department has made on its re-evaluation of the loan scheme for building under 18 metres. (86548)
- 20 **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether an EWS1 form is required for a building below 18 metres. (86549)
- 21 Shabana Mahmood (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether the Government is providing funding for leaseholders living in buildings that do not have combustible cladding but do have other fire safety defects, such as combustible insulation. (86550)
- 22 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, for what reason the Western Rail Link to Heathrow was not included in the Union Connectivity Review. (86612)
- 23 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with bus service operators regarding the wheelchair accessibility of fleet vehicles. (86619)
- 24 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the (a) scale and (b) potential impact of the shortage in bus drivers.

 (86633)
- 25 **Sam Tarry** (Ilford South): To the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to encourage more people to become bus drivers. (86634)

- Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021, page 110, if he will publish the forecast relating to the recovery of rail revenues. (86635)
- 27 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what projections for patronage on a month-by-month basis is covid-19 recovery funding based on for (a) bus services outside London and (b) light rail systems outside London.

 (86636)
- 28 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps the Government is taking to reduce injuries to passengers, staff and other road users caused by buses outside London. (86637)
- 29 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what level of reductions in bus services operators are able to introduce and still be eligible for covid-19 recovery funding for bus services. (86638)
- 30 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the maximum increase in fares is that bus operators can introduce and still be eligible for covid-19 recovery funding for bus services. (86639)
- 31 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the implications for passengers of covid recovery funding for (a) bus services outside London and (b) light rail services outside London not being maintained beyond April 2022. (86640)
- 32 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what auditing arrangements there are for bus service recovery funding for operators; what proportion of claims from operators are audited; and whether it has been necessary to take action to recover bus recovery funding claims as a result of that auditing.

 (86641)
- 33 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the impact on bus services caused by staff shortages; and what steps his Department is taking to address the impact of staff shortages in the bus services sector. (86642)
- 34 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the total size in kilometres of bus routes in England outside of London in (a) January 2020 and (b) October 2021. (86643)
- Shabana Mahmood (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate she has been made of the number of people living in exempt accommodation who have incorrectly had their housing benefit stopped after providers have fraudulently claimed that residents were not engaging in the contractual care and support services. (86551)

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- Shabana Mahmood (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what processes are in place to independently verify claims of exempt accommodation providers that residents have not been engaging with the care and support services they are contractually obliged to provide. (86552)
- 37 Shabana Mahmood (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, for what reason an impact assessment was not completed for the Universal Credit (Exceptions to the Requirement not to be receiving Education) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 which come into force on 15 December 2021.
- 38 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is planning to take to offer support for the health of (a) vulnerable and (b) older patients during winter 2021-22. (86618)
- 39 **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that the improvements for heart and circulatory disease services set out in the NHS long term plan can still be met in the context of covid-19 and the backlog of care. (86531)
- 40 **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the number of patients with heart and circulatory disease who have been unable to access care and are not represented on waiting lists since the outbreak of covid-19.
- 41 **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, in what way the 100 community diagnostic centres will focus on (a) diagnosing heart and circulatory diseases and (b) the risk factors for heart and circulatory diseases, such as hypertension. (86533)
- 42 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason otherwise eligible people who received two vaccinations with an MHRA-approved vaccine in third countries are considered ineligible for a NHS vaccine booster, and what steps he is taking to enable people in this group to maintain their protection against covid-19 whilst in the UK. (86542)
- Rosie Cooper (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 19 November to Question 71299 on Smoking: Young People, what assessment he has made for the implications of his policies of the fall in daily smoking among young people in Norway from 29 percent in 2000 to 1 percent in 2020.
- 44 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to introduce further measures to encourage the reformulation of food and drink products to reduce the level of (a) sugar, (b) salt and (c) calories in those products; and if he will make a statement.(86597)

- 45 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the recommendations of the report entitled Turning the Tide: A 10-year Healthy Weight Strategy published by the Obesity Health Alliance in September 2021; and if he will make a statement.
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Government's policies on tackling obesity; what recent discussion she has had with health representatives in (a) Scotland, (b) Wales and (c) Northern Ireland on the effectiveness of those policies; and if he will make a statement. (86599)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the minutes of the Joint Committee on Immunisation and Vaccinations (JCVI) meeting on 22 June 2021, for what reasons the JCVI does not have the modelling capacity needed to consider changes to the childhood immunisation schedule.
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the minutes of the Joint Committee on Immunisation and Vaccinations (JCVI) meeting on 22 June 2021, on what date the modelling QALY meeting to discuss varicella is scheduled to take place. (86585)
- 49 Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the minutes of the Joint Committee on Immunisation and Vaccinations meeting on 22 June 2021, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of delivering the second dose of the MMR vaccine at 18 months.
 (86586)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the minutes of the Joint Committee on Immunisation and Vaccinations (JCVI) meeting on 22 June 2021, what assessment his Department has made of the resource implications for the NHS of an additional childhood immunisation visit at 18 months. (86587)
- Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of requiring NHS Trusts to keep records of correspondence with patients, including conversations over the telephone. (86620)
- John Redwood (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much of the funding increase for the NHS announced in Budget 2021 will be spent on reducing waiting lists in the NHS in England. (86525)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing compulsory covid-19 pre-flight testing for international flights into the UK. (86536)

- 54 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what support he is providing to local authorities on the provision of mental health services. (86631)
- 55 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what support he is providing to charities on the provision of frontline mental health services. (86632)
- Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to make access to telemedical abortions a permanent part of abortion care. (86649)
- 57 Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to offer additional financial support for trainee nurses and paramedics to tackle staff shortages and alleviate the burden on the NHS.

 (86651)
- Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will undertake a new public information campaign on the difference between lateral flow tests and PCR tests for covid-19 and self-isolation requirements. (86655)
- Fig. 59 Hilary Benn (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the human rights situation of the Ahmadiyya Muslim community in Pakistan. (86534)
- 60 Sam Tarry (Ilford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what support will be given to developing countries reliant on deforestation to make products for export to help meet net-zero targets.

 (86629)
- John Redwood (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, for what reason the total budget allocated to housing illegal
 migrants in hotels is commercial in confidence when that total would not reveal
 the contract terms of individual suppliers.

 (86524)
- Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of implementing a fee waiver for Security Industry Authority licences for security officers on a low income.

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- 63 Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department is taking steps to ensure that security officers and door staff have the right to wear protective clothing including stab vests.

 (86653)

- Martin Docherty-Hughes (West Dunbartonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the response to FOI2021/09403 on 21 September 2021, how many of the 41 complaints of rape and sexual assault made to the Service Police by women under the age of 18 in the armed forces since 2015 were from women at the Army Foundation College in Harrogate.
- 65 **Chris Evans** (Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the safety of the F-35 fleet following a crash off the HMS Queen Elizabeth. (86562)
- 66 **Chris Evans** (Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the future procurement of the F-35. (86563)
- 67 **Chris Evans** (Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the statement on the Defence Command Paper, published 22 March 2021, whether his Department plans to increase the F-35 fleet beyond 48 aircraft as committed to within that Statement. (86564)
- Ms Lyn Brown (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the reason was for the time elapsed between 18 June 2021 and the termination of the contract with MTC to run Rainsbrook Secure Training Centre; and how much funding from the public purse has been transferred to MTC in connection with that contract since (a) the date in May 2021 when the contract with MTC was originally due to expire and (b) 18 June 2021.
- 69 **Richard Fuller** (North East Bedfordshire): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the potential merits of reducing the rate of VAT payable on solar panels and battery storage installation. (86544)
- 70 Carolyn Harris (Swansea East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will take steps to ensure that all banks provide a gambling block to help prevent gambling harm. (86592)
- 71 Carolyn Harris (Swansea East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will require gambling firms to disclose their bank account details on a central registry to empower banks to extend gambling blocks to bank transfers made to gambling companies.

 (86593)
- 72 Carolyn Harris (Swansea East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent discussions he has had with the financial services sector to help prevent harmful gambling. (86594)
- 73 Carolyn Harris (Swansea East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will review the Payment Services Directive to ensure that it helps prevent gambling harm.

 (86595)
- 74 **Dean Russell** (Watford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what comparative assessment he has made of the equity of HMRC pursuing employees and not employers on the use of the Loan Charge 2019. (86626)

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- 75 **Dean Russell** (Watford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many promoters and operators of the Loan Charge 2019 have been prosecuted for promoting and operating those schemes. (86627)
- 76 Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that compensation is provided to Equitable Life Assurance Society policy holders. (86658)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 8 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Brendan O'Hara (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many applications were received for places on the (a) Domestic Advisory Group and (b) Civil Society Forum. (86575)
- 2N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the process was for selecting organisations for the (a) Domestic Advisory Group and (b) Civil Society Forum. (86576)
- 3N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps he took to ensure the application of equalities principles to the selection of organisations for places on the (a)

 Domestic Advisory Group and (b) Civil Society Forum. (86577)
- 4N **Brendan O'Hara** (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether there is a balance in (a) social partners and (b) representation from the devolved nations on the (i) Domestic Advisory Group and (ii) Civil Society Forum. (86578)
- Ian Blackford (Ross, Skye and Lochaber): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Royal Society's report, entitled A review of the UK and British Channel Islands practical tidal stream energy resource, published in November 2021, what assessment he has made of the feasibility of reaching 11.5 gigawatts of electricity output for tidal marine energy.
- 6N Olivia Blake (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, in the context of relocating his Department's policy official roles from Sheffield to London in 2016, what assessment he had made of the implications for (a) staff welfare and (b) value for money of the decision to begin relocating 1,350 BEIS roles out of London.

- 7N Olivia Blake (Sheffield, Hallam): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what the total cost was to close the Department's Sheffield Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS) office in 2016, including redundancy payments made to civil servants. (86648)
- 8N Virginia Crosbie (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to (a) improve resilience in the national electricity grid system so that blackout events, such as that which occurred after Storm Arwen, are not repeated, and (b) ensure that should blackout events occur after storm situations, emergency and response services have means to power their electric vehicles and equipment, and (c) diversify sources of energy so that at times of low wind and solar power, there is sufficient energy to meet demand from non-fossil fuel sources.
- 9N Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what consideration he has given to placing all hydrogen production projects under Track-1 of the Cluster Sequencing Process. (86566)
- 10N Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he expects the Low Carbon Hydrogen Standard to be published. (86567)
- 11N Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to ensure that a decision on blending 20 per cent hydrogen into the gas grid is delivered by 2023 at the latest.

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- 12N Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of blending 20 per cent hydrogen into the national grid by 2023. (86569)
- 13N Alex Sobel (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of the Energy Charter Treaty on meeting (a) the UKs commitment to phase out fossil fuels and (b) the commitments made by the EU and the wider international community. (86617)
- 14N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Sutton Trust report entitled. A fair start: Equalising access to early education, published 19 August 2021, what assessment he has made of the effect of not being able to access 30 hours of Government funded childcare on the development of children from low-income families. (86565)
- 15N Mr Toby Perkins (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many further education colleges (a) appealed against the clawback of adult education funds and (b) were successful in their appeal against the clawback of adult education funds.

 (86554)

- 16N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much further education colleges were originally told would be clawed back in adult education funds from each college; and how much was re-allocated to colleges following their appeal, by each further education college institution. (86555)
- 17N **Robert Halfon** (Harlow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what plans he has to bring forward legislative proposals to ban the practice of horse tethering. (86558)
- 18N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the effect of the removal of cross compliance in 2024 on hedgerows on agricultural land in terms of (a) sustainable management and (b) carbon sequestration. (86600)
- 19N Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what discussions she has had with her Israeli counterpart on ending the occupation of the occupied Palestinian territories in the course of negotiating the new Trade and Defence Pact. (86659)
- 20N **Sir Charles Walker** (Broxbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when the December 2021 round of the Community Ownership Fund will open for bids; and if he will make a statement. (86538)
- 21N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Government announcement of temporary visas for 5,000 HGV drivers on 25 September 2021, how many temporary visas have been granted for HGV drivers who transport (a) fuel and (b) food. (86613)
- 22N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the (a) mental and (b) physical health impact on HGV drivers whose working hours have been extended. (86614)
- 23N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what date the 2022 regulated rail fares will be implemented; and when he plans to announce the percentage Retail Price Index increase. (86615)
- 24N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what date the Government plan to announce the 2022 regulated rail fares. (86616)
- 25N **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of providing compensation for B+E Towing training companies for any lost revenues whilst new drivers are unable to gain the ability to undertake B+E Car and Trailer Towing. (86589)
- 26N **Shabana Mahmood** (Birmingham, Ladywood): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much the Government has spent on housing benefit for supported exempt accommodation in England in 2020-21. (86545)

27N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what specific support his Department is taking to help protect people who are immunocompromised and have at least one child attending school settings from covid-19 infection; and whether his Department is taking additional steps to protect those people from infection with the omicron variant of covid-19.

(86644)

- 28N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment their department has made of the adequacy of availability of Continuous Positive Airway Pressure machines in NHS hospitals in (a) England and (b) Merseyside; and what urgent steps the Government is taking to ensure adequacy of supply of that equipment during the covid-19 outbreak. (86645)
- 29N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, at what rate per unit of electricity the NHS reimburses patients who need daily air line oxygen provided by an electric generator; when the rates were last changed; and what steps he is taking to increase the rates to current levels of cost.

 (86526)
- 30N Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of fully qualified, full-time GPs that were recruited in Shropshire in each of the last six years. (86623)
- 31N Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of GPs in Shropshire who retired in each of the last five years. (86624)
- 32N Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, in the context of testing for covid-19, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that PCR test providers for travel, such as TestnGo, are (a) delivering tests on time and (b) providing an acceptable level of service. (86625)
- 33N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate his Department has made of the additional staff it may need to deliver the 100 new Community Diagnostic Centres announced at the Spending Review 2021. (86604)
- 34N **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 medications related to (a) asthma, (b) depression, (c) heart disease, (d) chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and (e) hypertension to the NHS prescription charge exemption list.
- 35N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it a statutory requirement for care homes to have backup electricity generators in order to manage power outages. (86557)

- 36N Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish updated guidance on the symptoms of covid-19 experienced by people who are vaccinated. (86650)
- 37N Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve waiting times for covid-19 PCR test results. (86654)
- 38N Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on whether the Government would a) reimpose restrictions on the hospitality sector and (b) reinstate job retention schemes in the event of a further covid-19 lockdown. (86656)
- 39N Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to require school-age contacts of Omicron variant cases to self-isolate. (86657)
- 40N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much and what proportion of the £29 million of humanitarian aid allocated to people affected by the conflict in northern Ethiopia, announced on 15 October 2021, has been given to aid agencies working in Tigray and neighbouring regions. (86601)
- 41N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions she has had with her Ethiopian counterpart on the need to ensure that all sides in the conflict in northern Ethiopia and the Tigray region commit to (a) allowing unfettered access to (i) international aid agencies and (ii) international observers and (b) restoring lost communications where they have been removed. (86602)
- 42N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 27 October 2021 to Question 58899, on Tigray: Armed Conflict, what recommendations have been put forward following the scoping mission into gender-based violence in northern Ethiopia and the Tigray region. (86603)
- 43N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many covid-19 vaccinations the Government has distributed to developing countries as of 2 November 2021. (86605)
- 44N **Chris Evans** (Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has been made of the risk to flight crew following the crash of an F-35 from the HMS Queen Elizabeth. (86561)
- 45N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, on what date his Department received the request from the Kenyan Government for mutual legal assistance in relation to the killing of Agnes Wanjiru; and when he plans to respond to that request. (86668)

- 46N **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many Slavery and Trafficking Prevention Orders in connection with county lines child criminal exploitation have been (a) applied for and (b) granted (i) in each of the last three years and (ii) in total since 31 July 2015. (86541)
- 47N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 1 November 2021 to Question 64697, Prisons: Industrial Health and Safety, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of HMPPS adopting the Safe Inside Prisons Charter published by the Joint Unions in Prisons Alliance and updated in 2021; and if he will make a statement.

(86607)

- 48N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the effect of the Serious Further Offence process on the mental health of (a) victims and (b) probation staff. (86608)
- 49N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether staff involved in Serious Further Offence investigations are provided with legal representation at inquests. (86609)
- 50N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to reduce the time taken for Serious Further Offence (a) staff investigations to be resolved and (b) cases to reach a Coroner's Court. (86610)
- 51N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the HM Inspectorate of Probation report of 16 March 2021, Race equality in probation: the experiences of black, Asian and minority ethnic probation service users and staff, what steps he is taking to (a) implement the recommendations of the Lammy Review, (b) improve training for probation staff to better address workplace race issues identified in the report and (c) improve the diversity of the probation workforce.

Questions for Answer on Thursday 9 December

Questions for Written Answer

Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 3 December 2021 to Question 84357 on Events Industry: Insurance, if she will publish a breakdown of which sectors have taken out a policy underwritten by the Live Events Reinsurance scheme for (a) live music events, (b) conferences, (c) theatre productions and (d) commercial Christmas events.

- 2N **Julie Elliott** (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 3 December 2021 to Question 84357 on Events Industry: Insurance, how many polices have been underwritten by the Live Events Reinsurance Scheme since its launch. (86573)
- 3N Mr Clive Betts (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the impact on (a) schools and (b) young people's physical activity levels of the (i) lack of confirmation of public funding for the School Games Organiser network beyond March 2022 and (ii) uncertainty on the future of the PE and Sport Premium beyond this academic year. (86527)
- 4N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress his Department has made, in discussions with the Department of Health and Social Care and the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, in taking a decision on funding for the School Games Organiser network beyond March 2022. (86528)
- 5N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when he plans to announce a decision on the long-term funding for PE and school sport. (86529)
- 6N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what his timetable is for announcing arrangements for the primary PE and sport premium funding for the 2021-22 academic year. (86530)
- 7N Chris Law (Dundee West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 4 November
 2021 to Question 66206 on Coronavirus: Vaccination, what the Government
 records as the cost to the public purse of covid-19 vaccines donated to low-income
 countries and included as Official Development Assistance.

 (86583)

Questions for Answer on Friday 10 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Brendan O'Hara (Argyll and Bute): To ask the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he will advise applicants for places on the (a) Domestic Advisory Group and (b) Civil Society Forum of the outcome of their applications. (86574)
- 2N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many further education colleges were advertising (a) T Levels and (b) an entry requirement for T Levels that included a need for GCSE Maths and English on their websites as of 2 December 2021. (86556)

- 3N **Dr Philippa Whitford** (Central Ayrshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the minutes of the meeting of the Joint Committee on Immunisation and Vaccinations (JCVI) on 22 June 2021, what the expected timeframe is for the JCVI to have the available modelling capacity to consider varicella. (86579)
- 4N **Dr Philippa Whitford** (Central Ayrshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the minutes of the meeting of the Joint Committee on Immunisation and Vaccinations (JCVI) on 22 June 2021, when the modelling QALY meeting to discuss varicella is scheduled to take place. (86580)
- 5N **Dr Philippa Whitford** (Central Ayrshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the minutes of the Joint Committee on Immunisation and Vaccinations meeting on 22 June 2021, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of delivering the second dose of the MMR vaccine at 18 months; and if he will make a statement. (86581)