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# **Questions tabled on Wednesday 9 March 2022**

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### Questions for Answer on Thursday 10 March

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to help ensure older people are not restricted in the choice of options of heating their homes following the increase in fuel and energy costs.

  [Transferred] (136597)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with (a) Cabinet colleagues and (b) Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWBs) on improving health and wellbeing through the Government's Heat and Buildings Strategy.

  [Transferred] (136558)
- 3N **Sir Charles Walker** (Broxbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what comparative assessment his Department has made of the cost of delivering an annual covid-19 vaccination programme in pill format and administered by injection; and if he will make statement. [Transferred] (135444)
- Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to Reporting Year 2021, Children's social work workforce, published 24 February 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of child social care in response to the 4,995 social workers who left their roles in 2021; and what steps his Department is taking to (a) retain current social workers and (b) help ensure that the 6,522 vacant positions are filled. [Transferred] (136640)

- Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Local Government Association's projection that the cost of children's social care will increase by an estimated £600 million each year until 2024-25, whether his Department plans to allocate additional funding to local authorities in response to that projection.

  [Transferred] (136641)
- Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Ofsted report on inspections on 5 and 6 January 2022 relating to Achieve Care Homes Limited, what assessment his Department has made of the (a) potential merits of strengthening regulations on child social care providers and (b) role of profit-making companies in the provision of children's social care.

  [Transferred] (136644)
- 7 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will make it his policy to reform the Care Standards Act to improve the oversight and checks of providers of child social care. [Transferred] (136645)
- 8 Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to table 2.3 in the Levelling Up the United Kingdom White Paper, what steps he is taking to help ensure that local authorities that fall under level one devolution plans are able to feed local skills needs into the development of LSIPs.

  [Transferred] (136549)
- 9 Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many of the 200,000 additional people targeted to complete high-quality skills training as set out in the Levelling Up in the United Kingdom White Paper are planned to be on (a) on STEM courses, (b) apprenticeships and (c) young people up to the age of 25. [Transferred] (136551)
- Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent estimate his Department has made of how many and what proportion of local authorities (a) charge and (b) have stopped charging for green bin collections.

  [Transferred] (136639)
- Chris Green (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress he has made on the implementation of the proposals in his Department's policy paper, Saving and Improving Lives: The Future of UK Clinical Research Delivery; and what funding has been allocated to the longer-term implementation of those proposals.

  [Transferred] (136578)
- 12 Chris Green (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to implement the strategy set out in his Department's policy paper, Saving and Improving Lives: The Future of UK Clinical Research Delivery, to ensure the attractiveness of the UK for early-stage clinical trials. [Transferred] (136579)

- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether specialist covered car transport companies can access temporary export arrangements for cars being transported into the EU and back to avoid having to pay VAT on the goods on export and then reclaim the same VAT on the return leg.

  [Transferred] (136666)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help lower the rate of inflation. [Transferred] (136557)
- James Wild (North West Norfolk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent estimate she has made of the number of companies in North West Norfolk that are exporting to other countries.

  [Transferred] (136687)
- 16N **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions he has had with (a) his Ukrainian counterpart and (b) the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs on Ukrainian sovereign debt relief.

  [Transferred] (135429)

### Questions for Answer on Monday 14 March

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

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- Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Attorney General, whether a senior manager in her Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137469)
- 2 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what environmental factors the (a) Government Property Agency and (b) his Department have considered in assessing the suitability of locations for Government hubs. (137464)
- Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Government Skills Curriculum Unit's Government Campus Curriculum will contain modules on skills and knowledge for transitioning the Civil Service to netzero.
- 4 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has consulted the recognised relevant unions on the formation of the Government Campus by the Government Skills and Curriculum Unit. (137466)
- Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether a senior manager in his Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137468)

- 6N Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet
  Office, what records his Department holds on contact between (a) the No. 10
  appointment unit and (b) Conservative Party officials on the appointment of the
  Chair of the National Lottery Community Fund.
- 7 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, if he will publish the dates of meetings he has had with the Duke of Lancaster in the last six months. (137353)
- 8N Rosie Duffield (Canterbury): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of reforming the Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) Regulations 2009 to bring measures relating to the mandatory retirement age for clergy into line with provisions on age discrimination within the Equality Act 2010.

  (137409)
- 9N Dawn Butler (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many apprenticeships have been started in the hospitality industry in each of the last five years for which figures are available. (137257)
- 10N Virginia Crosbie (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to support people in rural communities who are not on the mains gas network and rely on liquified natural gas or oil for heating their homes.

  (137454)
- 11N Virginia Crosbie (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of further increasing investment in (a) onshore wind, (b) solar, (c) tidal and (d) other renewable energy sources such in order to further diversify energy generation in the UK; what steps he is taking to support the development of energy storage facilities; and what his planned timetable is for publishing the findings of the call for evidence on large scale, long duration energy storage.
- 12N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent estimate his Department has made of the rise in energy standing charges; and what steps he plans to take to prevent further rises.

  (137277)
- 13N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to transition the UK energy sector to sustainable energy sources, such as wind, tidal or hydro, following sanctions on the Russian Government. (137252)
- of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to Russia's suspension from The Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification and The Forest Stewardship Council, what steps his Department is taking to (a) stabilise the market in wood pellets for biomass boilers, and (b) support the supply of wood pellets for biomass boilers from sources other than Russia. (137356)

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- Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether a senior manager in his Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137470)
- Simon Jupp (East Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what regulations currently apply to district heating schemes to protect consumers; and whether he is considering introducing further regulations of that nature.

  (137458)
- 17 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make it his policy to include the proposals in the Local Electricity Bill in any forthcoming energy bill. (137358)
- 18 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he will take to increase (a) on- and (b) offshore wind power. (137367)
- 19 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans he has to invest in biofuels as an alternative to petrochemicals. (137368)
- 20 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will fast-track the funding streams available to the BioYorkshire project to help accelerate the development of biofuel. (137369)
- 21 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will have discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of investing in retrofitting homes to reduce energy use. (137370)
- 22 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans he has to help accelerate the ambition of other countries to divest in Russian fossil fuels; and if he will make an assessment of the potential (a) merits and (b) prospects of the UK being a major future exporter of technology to help achieve that ambition. (137371)
- 23 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment has he made of the potential (a) merits and (b) prospects of the UK increasing future exports of renewable energy technologies and manufacturing to countries pursing divestment from Russian fossil fuel supplies.
- 24 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to develop tidal power as a significant alternative source of energy in light of the energy security situation caused by the Russian invasion of Ukraine. (137373)
- 25 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions his Department has had with Companies House on the estimated time it will take to implement the relevant powers and responsibilities contained in the Economic Crime Bill. (137447)

- 26N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what the total value of loans issued to businesses with premises or registered interests in the Russian Federation was under the (a) Covid Business Interruption Loans Scheme, (b) Covid Large Business Interruption Loan Scheme and (c) Bounce Back Loan Scheme.
- 27N Naz Shah (Bradford West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what support is in place for home owners with 25 year leases on solar panels, who are unable to get any equity from a Mortgage lender, or able to buy out or amend their solar panel leases. (137345)
- Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of (a) removing credit charge surcharges on businesses selling high-value items and (b) policy on the price of consumer goods and services as businesses raise prices to cover the fees charged to them by credit card companies. (137301)
- 29N **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what the evidential basis is for the inclusion of clause 18(b) in the Economic Crime (Transparency and Enforcement) Bill. [Transferred] (136613)
- 30N **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if she will introduce standardised tests for people seeking exemption from the Economic Crime (Transparency and Enforcement) Bill under clause 18(1)(b) to prove their suitability for that exemption. [Transferred] (136614)
- 31N Neil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has evidence of Russian disinformation efforts aimed at disrupting UK society, including through (a) RT and (b) other front organisations such as the Internet Research Agency; and what steps her Department is taking to (i) monitor and (ii) counter Russian disinformation efforts.
- 32N **Neil Coyle** (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to support (a) Facebook and (b) other social media companies to prevent the spread of Russian disinformation through their platforms. (137332)
- 33N Virginia Crosbie (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture,
  Media and Sport, what progress has been made on the OpenRan 5G project
  rollout in Wales; what the planned timetable is for that project to go live in Ynys
  Môn constituency; and what assessment she has made of the potential merits of
  using that project as an exemplar for net zero 5G provision. (137453)
- Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture,
  Media and Sport, whether a senior manager in her Department has been given
  the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137471)

- 35N **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether she will take steps to prevent Russian players participating at Wimbledon tennis tournament. (137283)
- 36N Lucy Powell (Manchester Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital,
  Culture, Media and Sport, how much the Government has spent (a) in total and
  (b) with Saxton Bampfylde recruitment advisers for the appointment of a new
  Ofcom Chair.

  (137318)
- 37 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the final report of the Independent Assessment Commission, published on 2 February 2022. (137428)
- Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he plans to implement the recommendations of the final report of the Independent Assessment Commission, published on 2 February 2022. (137429)
- 39 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure equitable assessments of qualifications for students. (137430)
- 40 Dawn Butler (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding his Department has provided to further education colleges in London in each of the last ten years for which figures are available. (137268)
- 41N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 28 February to Question 125329 Children: Social Services, how many local authorities have completed and implemented local protocols for assessment as of 9 March 2022. (137389)
- 42N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant Answer of 28 February 2022 to Question 125329 on Children: Social Services, what steps his Department takes to monitor the adequacy of local authorities' local protocols in keeping children safe and responding to referrals.

  (137390)
- 43N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 28 February 2022 to Question 125334 on Special Educational Needs: Coronavirus, if he will publish the local authorities targeted for an increase in training available to early years SENDCO. (137391)
- 44N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 28 February 2022 to Question 125334 on Special Educational Needs: Coronavirus, if he will publish his Department's criteria for determining which local authorities to target with an increase in training available to early years SENDCO.
- 45 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether a senior manager in his Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137472)

46 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment has been made of the potential merits of a profession-led review of the assessment system used in primary schools.

(137239)

47 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, in the context of the impact of the covid-19 outbreak on primary education, whether his Department has made an assessment of the appropriateness of the (a) phonics screening check in year 1, (b) autumn term phonics screening check in year 2, (c) key stage 1 SATs in year 2, (d) multiplication tables check in year 4 and (e) key stage 2 SATs in year 6 as a form of assessment.

(137240)

- 48N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many additional people are targeted to complete high-quality skills training as set out in the Levelling Up in the United Kingdom White Paper for each year to 2030.

  [Transferred] (136550)
- 49N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much and what proportion of funding allocated to the 16-19 Education Budget has been spent specifically on (a) Level 3 qualifications (b) Level 2 qualifications (c) Level 1 qualifications and d) entry qualifications over the last three academic years.
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps the Government is taking to collect data from local authorities on the provision of early help services. (137308)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what support the Government is providing to local authorities to help improve the way that those bodies (a) collect and (b) store data on children's services. (137309)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment the Government has made of the effect on the wellbeing of young people of requiring local authorities to provide early help services. (137310)
- Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of choice available for students of streamlining post-16 qualifications. (137303)
- 54N **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 27 of January to Question 108554 on Floods: Insurance, with reference to his Department's commissioned insurance industry data, what proportion of the samples of policies for determining the number of policies impacted by flood exclusions were from (a) Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey constituency and (b) other rural communities.

- Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether a senior manager in his Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137473)
- 56N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to prevent honey fraud to ensure consumer confidence in honey production. (137316)
- 57N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on increasing the Property Flood Resilience grant to take account additional costs of (a) surveys and (b) planning permission. (137317)
- 58N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing a ban on the import of (a) kittens under six months of age, (b) cats which are more than 42 days pregnant and (c) cats which have been declawed. (137440)
- 59N **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the potential cost to businesses of the increase in the glass re-melt targets; and if he will make a statement. (137225)
- 60N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of banning imports of fur in 2022 on animal welfare. (137285)
- 61N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether he plans to take steps to ensure that no raw sewage is discharged into (a) the Thames, (b) English rivers and (c) the sea in 2022.
- 62 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the data published by Natural England on 15 December 2021 on the number of satellite tags on hen harriers that have stopped transmitting since November 2021. (137352)
- 63N **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of the Russian invasion of Ukraine on the seasonal worker scheme. (137334)
- 64N **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many badgers have been culled in each year since 2013. (137335)
- 65N Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the herd incidence rate of Bovine TB has been for each year since 2013.

- 66N Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the badger control policy at (a) culling badgers infected with Bovine TB, (b) not culling badgers that have been vaccinated against Bovine TB and (c) not culling badgers which are not infected with Bovine TB.
- 67N **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of testing measures carried out to reduce the spreading of Bovine TB through movements of infected cattle.

  (137338)
- Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of (a) the proportion of culled badgers that are culled by free shooting, (b) the impact of free shooting on the spread of Bovine TB, and (c) the animal welfare implications of free shooting.
- 69 Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will reconvene the Food Resilience Industry Forum to discuss the impact of the Russian invasion of Ukraine on the food supply chain. (137340)
- 70 Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of the shortage of self-adhesive labels on the food supply chain. (137341)
- 71 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether a senior manager in her Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137474)
- Mike Amesbury (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment his Department has made of the number of Local Government Pension Schemes holding Russia-linked assets; and if he will take steps to help local authorities divest Russia-linked investments. (137431)
- 73 Dawn Butler (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many completions of new council homes there were in London in each of the last 12 years for which figures are available. (137261)
- 74 **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many completions of new social housing units there were in London in each of the last 12 years for which figures are available.

  (137262)
- 75 **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the total local government finance settlement for London councils was in (a) 2010-11 and (b) 2022-23. (137263)
- 76N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when he will announce the outcome of his decision on the location of freeports in Northern Ireland. [Transferred] (136520)

- 77N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Secretary of State for the Home Department's oral statement on 1 March 2022, Official report, column 916, whether the humanitarian sponsorship pathway will operate in a similar way to the community sponsorship scheme.

  [Transferred] (136515)
- 78N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the Secretary of State of the Home Department's oral statement on 1 March 2022, Official report, column 916, how many people his Department expects will come to the UK through the humanitarian sponsorship pathway over the next three months; and when his Department expects the first people using that pathway to arrive.

  [Transferred] (136516)
- 79N Neil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will take steps to ensure that Capital Letters, a not-for-profit organisation that procures accommodation for homeless households on behalf of London boroughs, will continue to receive Government funding to enable it to continue playing a key role in the Government's homelessness reduction strategy. (137330)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to his Department's white paper, entitled Levelling Up the United Kingdom, published 2 February 2022, what discussions his Department has had with local leaders on plans for the rail network in their respective regions.
- 81 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment has he made of the potential merits of reviewing the house price limit for Lifetime ISA withdrawal. (137422)
- 82 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to rising house prices, what recent steps he has taken to help first-time buyers own a property. (137423)
- 83N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has had discussions with local authorities on the matter of mobile network operators applying for pre-application advice for telecommunications masts but failing to pay the fee for that advice and subsequently stating in their consultation material that they applied for pre-application advice but the Council did not respond. (137300)
- Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether a senior manager in his Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137475)

- 85N Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the oral contribution of 7 March 2022, Official Report, column 17, when his Department plans to publish further details on the humanitarian sponsorship scheme; and what information will be included as part of that publication. (137280)
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what funding will be provided by central Government to support (a) organisations, (b) local authorities and (c) others who offer assistance to Ukrainian refugees via the humanitarian sponsorship route. (137290)
- 87N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many officials in his Department are working on the resettlement of Afghan refugees. (137359)
- 88 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
  Housing and Communities, how many officials in his Department are working on
  the resettlement of Ukrainian refugees. (137360)
- 89 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many refugees from bridging hotels were resettled in each week in each of the last two months. (137361)
- 90 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has made an assessment of the impact on Afghan refugees of residing in bridging hotels for more than six months under Operation Warm Welcome. (137362)
- 91 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what his Department's criteria are for prioritising Afghan refugees for resettlement. (137363)
- 92 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the effect of being accommodated in bridging hotels based away from communities on the ability of Afghan refugees to settle. (137364)
- 93 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make it his policy to provide financial support to people who volunteer to house Ukrainian refugees in their households. (137365)
- 94N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will set a time limit for the period of time a refuger spends in a bridging hotel. (137366)
- 95N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many homes will be retrofitted to reduce fuel consumption by the end of (a) 2022 and (b) 2023. (137374)

- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he has taken to invest in the skills required for retrofitting homes; and what estimate he has made of the number of people supporting retrofitting programmes. (137375)
- 97N Kerry McCarthy (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether the Government (a) is taking steps and (b) plans to take steps to support proposals to regenerate Bristol's Temple Quarter. (137269)
- 98N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what plans his Department has to help ensure that all households across the UK have access to soft plastics recycling. (137284)
- 99N Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
  Housing and Communities, when the sponsored humanitarian visa route for
  Ukrainian refugees will be fully operational.

  [Transferred] (136612)
- 100NOwen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
  Housing and Communities, when his Department plans to publish further
  details of proposals for a humanitarian business sponsorship route for Ukrainian
  refugees.

  [Transferred] (136615)
- 101N**Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether limited partnerships are included within the definition of associated persons in the draft Building Safety Bill; and if he will make a statement.
- 102N**Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when he plans to reply to the correspondence from the Right hon. Member for East Ham of 15 September 2021 on the application to the Building Safety Fund by Blinky Ltd on behalf of 5 Eastern Quay Apartments. (137211)
- 103NDawn Butler (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the Government has plans to lift the restriction on the use of 60+ Oyster Cards and Older Persons Freedom Passes before 9am on weekdays. (137258)
- 104 **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what non-capital funding his Department provided to Transport for London in each of the last 12 years for which figures are available. (137267)
- 105 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent progress he had on towards providing level boarding on the rail network.

  (137411)
- Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the letter sent to him by the TSSA General Secretary Manuel Cortes, dated 14 January 2022, if it is the policy of his Department to seek £2 billion reduction in the operating costs of the railways. (137413)

- 107 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the effect on (a) passenger numbers and (b) revenue as a result of the 3.8 per cent rise in rail fare prices, implemented on 1 March 2022. (137415)
- 108 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on the level of financial support available to local authorities to install new cycling infrastructure. (137467)
- 109 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether a senior manager in his Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137476)
- 110 Ian Lavery (Wansbeck): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of requiring (a) bus, (b) taxi and (c) private hire drivers to undertake gender equality training to include training on sexual harassment on public transport. (137312)
- 111 **Ian Lavery** (Wansbeck): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has conducted an equality impact assessment of (a) reductions to (i) bus services and (ii) night bus services over the last 10 years and (b) any proposals for further changes to bus services and funding. (137313)
- 112 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the data his Department holds on the size of the backlog of applications to the DVLA; and what steps he is taking to reduce that backlog. (137295)
- 113 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what system is in place to organise and trace applications submitted to the DVLA; and if he will make a statement. (137296)
- 114 Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make it his policy to reject any proposed new road scheme where the benefit-cost ratio is less than two.

  (137406)
- 115 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make it his policy that the production of a provisional environmental impact assessment report is undertaken before any decision is made to identify a preferred route for a new road. (137407)
- 116 Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, If he will review his Department's estimates of projected traffic growth on the strategic network to take account of changed behaviours as a result of the covid-19 pandemic. (137408)
- 117N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the average time taken for the DVLA to process driving license applications was in each of the last five years for which data is available; and what the target time was for each of those years.

  (137286)

- 118N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to respond to the Freedom of Information request relating to the application he has received from TfL to grant permission to build over Cockfosters underground station car park submitted by the hon. Member for Chipping Barnet on 26 January 2022.
- 119N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to publish his decision on the application he has received from TfL for permission to build over Cockfosters underground station car park. (137272)
- 120 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether a senior manager in her Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137477)
- 121 **Paul Maynard** (Blackpool North and Cleveleys): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will publish details of any land owned by his Department in Blackpool North and Cleveleys constituency. (137288)
- 122 **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment her Department has made of the impact of the change in Discretionary Housing Payments funding between 2021-22 and 2022-23 on (a) local authorities and (b) registered social landlords. (137282)
- 123 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many cases of benefit fraud have been found by her Department in each year since 2015; and how many of those cases have resulted in a criminal conviction. (137396)
- 124 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether it is the policy of her Department not to provide claimants with the reasons for an overpayment occurring in instances when the Risk Review Team has been responsible for reviewing the claimants' benefits. (137397)
- 125 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether the Risk Review Team provides a full explanation detailing the reasons behind a decision when a decision is made that a claimant isn't entitled to benefits and an overpayment is issued. (137398)
- 126N Dawn Butler (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many items of personal protective equipment (PPE) have been destroyed without use in the last twelve months; and what reasons were given for destroying those items of PPE. (137260)
- 127N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what financial provision has been made to support training of the future cancer nurse specialist workforce.

  [Transferred] (136632)
- 128NDan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when his Department plans to provide a substantive answer to Question 117041, tabled on 2 February 2022 by the hon Member for Liverpool, Walton. (137425)

- 129NDan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when his Department plans to provide a substantive answer to Question 117883, tabled on 3 February 2022 by the hon Member for Liverpool, Walton. (137426)
- 130NSir Christopher Chope (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December to Question 88624 and the Answer of 28 February 2022 to Question 127264 on Coronavirus: Ivermectin2, what the decision making process was for the Ivermectin being (a) entered into the PRINCIPLE clinical trial and (b) made the subject of monitoring by the Therapeutics Taskforce; and for what reason it an application for licensing authorisation for the use of Ivermectin in the treatment of patients with covid-19 has to be made to the MHRA before it (i)conducts a safety, efficacy and quality review and (ii) consults the Commission on Human Medicines.
- 131N Sir Christopher Chope (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 9 February to Question 92799 on Coronavirus: Vaccination, what is the maximum period following death which meets the criterion of a person reported as having died shortly after vaccination; and whether the same criterion applies to (a) Astra Zeneca, (b) Moderna and (c) Pfizer covid-19 vaccines.
- 132 Anneliese Dodds (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 4 February 2022 to Question 116035 on Protective Clothing: Females and with reference to finding of Women in Global Health's report, Fit for Women? Safe and decent PPE for women health and care workers, that unisex personal protective equipment in many cases does not fit female wearers, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that buying teams source a range of different sizes; and whether he has plans to (a) set direct requirements on and (b) monitor purchasing teams.
- 133N Florence Eshalomi (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to COVID-19 Response: Living with COVID-19, published February 2022, whether an equality impact assessment for that document. (137460)
- 134NFlorence Eshalomi (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has completed an equality impact assessment on the potential risk to clinically vulnerable people of the end of free asymptomatic covid-19 lateral flow tests from 1 April. (137461)
- 135N Florence Eshalomi (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the approach to covid-19 testing outlined in the guidance COVID-19 Response: Living with COVID-19, whether the Government plans to make free asymptomatic lateral flow tests available to (a) clinically vulnerable people, (b) their friends and relatives, (c) people who provide their care and (d) other close contacts.

- 136N Florence Eshalomi (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the financial impact on people who are clinically vulnerable of needing to pay for covid-19 lateral flow tests from 1 April 2022.
- 137N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether care homes are legally able to deny visits from family or friends if there are positive cases of covid-19 in that care home. (137253)
- Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what (a) recent progress he has made on the development of the new dementia strategy and (b) plans he has to help increase (i) research and (ii) funding for dementia research.
- 139 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether a senior manager in his Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137478)
- 140N**Mr David Jones** (Clwyd West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to introduce regulations for the sale of oral nicotine pouches.

  (137275)
- 141N Mr David Jones (Clwyd West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the British Standards Institution document PAS 8877:2022 entitled Tobacco-free oral nicotine pouches Composition, manufacture and testing specification, published on 28 February 2022.
- 142 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how people who are housebound and require a diabetic eye screening can access that service in the event that it is not provided by private or NHS providers in their local area. (137399)
- 143 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what services are available to housebound patients who require diabetic eye screenings. (137400)
- 144 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the potential effect of at-home abortion on the health and safety of women. (137305)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the NHS is taking to introduce digital voice technologies for people with motor neurone disease that help preserve their accent and way of speaking.
  (137307)
- 146 **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to limit the over-prescription of medication by GPs to patients judged to be at risk from them. (137342)

- 147 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much funding from the public
  purse has been allocated to Marie Stopes International in the last five years for
  spending overseas (a) in total and (b) on the provision of abortion. (137444)
- 148 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much funding from the public
  purse has been allocated to International Planned Parenthood Foundation over
  the last five years for spending overseas (a) in total and (b) on the provision of
  abortion.

  (137445)
- 149 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much funding from the public
  purse has been allocated to programmes on sexual and reproductive health
  and rights in the last five years for spending overseas (a) in total and (b) on the
  provision of abortion. (137446)
- 150NMr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps she is taking with her
  European counterparts to provide humanitarian assistance to the Ukrainian
  refugee populations in European countries. (137421)
- 151 Margaret Ferrier (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development affairs, in the context of the recent report of the International Committee of the Red Cross outlining the risks to civilians of urban airstrikes, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of taking steps to restrict the use of wide area effect explosive weapons in urban areas.
- 152NMary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans she has to co-host a
  pledging summit to tackle the humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan. (137439)
- 153NFabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans she has to (a) increase
  monitoring of human rights in Brazil and (b) include Brazil in her Department's
  annual report on human rights and democracy for 2022. (137249)
- 154NFabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the Government's position is on
  sending election observers to Brazil for the 2022 Presidential Election. (137250)
- 155N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has had discussions with
  her Brazilian counterpart on a peaceful transfer of power in the event that one is
  necessary following the 2022 Presidential Election in that country. (137251)

- 156NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many UK personnel have worked
  at the National Cyber Security Centre in each year since 2015. [Transferred] (136513)
- 157 **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether a senior manager in
  her Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental
  sustainability. (137479)
- 158 **Mr David Lammy** (Tottenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of
  violations of international humanitarian law in Ukraine. (137214)
- 159 **Mr David Lammy** (Tottenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to
  support the passage of refugees fleeing Ukraine. (137215)
- 160 **Mr David Lammy** (Tottenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions she has had with
  her counterparts in (a) Ukraine and (b) Russia on ensuring that the International
  Committee of the Red Cross can provide humanitarian support in Ukraine. (137216)
- 161 **Mr David Lammy** (Tottenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to
  help ensure humanitarian aid can reach Ukraine. (137217)
- 162 **Mr David Lammy** (Tottenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to
  improve the humanitarian situation in Yemen. (137218)
- 163NKim Leadbeater (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether (a) her Department will
  provide funding to UK fire fighting manufacturers to produce and send fire
  fighting equipment to Ukraine and (b) she has had recent discussions with Fire Aid
  on that matter.

  [Transferred] (136706)
- 164NRachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she plans to take steps to
  support the provision of food supplies to developing countries that received food
  from Ukraine.

  [Transferred] (136593)
- 165NRachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many staff from her Department

  were assisting refugees in Calais in the week commencing 28 February 2022. (137357)
- 166 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, in the context of the latest Memorandum of Understanding between the UK and the Palestinian Authority (PA), whether her Department has made representations to representatives of the PA in relation to an article in the official PA newspaper, Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, on 21 August 2021 reporting that Israel's goal is to destroy the Al-Aqsa Mosque. (137233)

- **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, in the context of the latest Memorandum of Understanding between the UK and the Palestinian Authority (PA), whether her Department has made representations to representatives of the PA on the building of a monument to Kamal Abu Wa'er in Jenin. (137234)
- **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, in the context of the latest Memorandum of Understanding between the UK and the Palestinian Authority (PA), whether her Department has made representations to representatives of the PA on the airing of footage of children praising Dalal Mughrabi on official PA television on 22 September 2021.
- **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, in the context of the latest Memorandum of Understanding between the UK and the Palestinian Authority (PA), whether her Department has made representations to representatives of the PA on the praising of Thaer Hammad on official PA television on 5 October 2021.

(137236)

- **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, in the context of the latest Memorandum of Understanding between the UK and the Palestinian Authority (PA), whether her Department has made representations to representatives of the PA on an exhibit celebrating convicted terrorists at the Bethlehem: Capital of Arab Culture Week in Bethlehem on 9 October 2021. (137237)
- **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has had recent discussions
  with her Iranian counterparts on recommencing the 2015 nuclear deal between
  that country and other international counterparts. (137306)
- 172 Caroline Ansell (Eastbourne): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to her statement in House on 28 February, in which she granted Ukrainian nationals on visitor visas a concession allowing them to apply for a points-based immigration route or a family visa route free of charge and without leaving the UK, what plans she has to extend similar rights to Ukrainian students in the UK who are not eligible for this sponsored route, to extend their visa for a fixed period, and if she will make a statement. (137395)
- **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if the Government will take steps to (a) waive all visa requirements and (b) introduce a resettlement scheme for unaccompanied Ukrainian refugee children. (137346)
- **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to support UK charities seeking to provide safe escape routes for Ukrainian orphans and unaccompanied refugee children. (137347)

- **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to safeguard and promote the welfare of refugee children arriving from Ukraine. (137348)
- **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to simplify (a) organisational processes and (b) documentation for people applying to the Ukraine Family Scheme. (137349)
- **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will consider lifting the requirement for Ukraine Family Scheme applicants to travel to visa application centres in other countries to finalise their application. (137350)
- 178N Dawn Butler (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans she has to reduce or remove the visa charge for foreign soldiers who have fought for the UK and wish to move to the UK; and if she will make a statement.
- 179N Dawn Butler (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent estimate she has made of the (a) waiting times for an Application registration card (ARC) for unaccompanied minors to be issued and (b) average number of days taken to process ARC cards for unaccompanied minors in each of the last 12 months.
- **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many police constables have been employed in the Metropolitan Police Service in each of the last 12 years for which figures are available. (137264)
- **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the budget of the Metropolitan Police Service was in each of the last 12 years for which figures are available. (137265)
- **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

  Department, how many people have been arrested under the Vagrancy Act 1824
  in London in each of the last ten years for which figures are available. (137266)
- **Sir Geoffrey Cox** (Torridge and West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that British citizens in Russia and Ukraine are able to make contact with UK authorities; and what assistance is being provided to British citizens in Russia and Ukraine who wish to leave those countries. (137278)
- 184NNeil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to (a) identify and (b) prevent Russian interference in the UK political system by funding (i) UK political parties and party members and (ii) extremists in the UK. (137333)

- 185NVirginia Crosbie (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

  Department, what steps she is taking to reduce bureaucracy for refugees fleeing

  from the war in the Ukraine.

  (137455)
- 186NMr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average time for Ukrainian refugee visa applications to be processed is.

  (137416)
- 187N**Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what preparations her Department made in anticipation of a humanitarian and refugee crisis leading up to the invasion of Ukraine. (137417)
- 188NMr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) Ukraine Family Scheme visa applications have been (i) submitted, (ii) accepted and (iii) denied by her Department and (b) Local Sponsorship Scheme for Ukraine visa applications have been (i) submitted, (ii) accepted and (iii) denied by her Department. (137418)
- 189N**Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether it is the policy of her Department to help introduce a humanitarian route for Ukrainian refugees to claim asylum in the UK. (137419)
- 190 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Ukrainian refugees her Department anticipates being granted residence in the UK by the end of 2022. (137420)
- 191 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether staff in the British embassy in Ukraine have been offered refuge in the UK. (137424)
- 192 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, whether a senior manager in her Department has been given the
  portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137481)
- 193N Dan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits for the
  ability of the fire service to tackle flooding of introducing a statutory duty for
  firefighters in England to respond to flooding.

  (137314)
- 194NDan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, what recent discussions he has had with the Chancellor of the
  Exchequer on providing funding to fire and rescue services to specifically respond
  to the effects of storms and flooding.

  (137315)
- 195N Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when her Department will begin accepting applications from refugees to the Ukrainian Humanitarian Route scheme. (137279)

- 196N**Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what (a) financial support, (b) accommodation and (c) healthcare services are in place in the UK for refugees from Ukraine. (137326)
- 197 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the capacity is for the number of appointments available per week at UK visa application centres in (a) Hungary, (b) Moldova, (c) Poland, (d) France, (e) Romania for people making visa applications to come to the UK; how many such appointments remain free at each of these centres for March 2022; and if she will make a statement.
- 198 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 1 March to Question 126611, with reference to the 351,300 EU Settlement Scheme applications outstanding on 31 Jan 2022 recorded in the monthly summary data link provided, how long those applicants will have to wait before their applications are processed; and if she will make a statement.
- 199 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of applicants who met the 30 June 2021 deadline for applications to the EU Settlement Scheme have been waiting over six months for their applications to be processed and what steps are being taken to address the delays in processing applications. (137292)
- 200 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions her officials have had with (a) organisations supporting, (b) people seeking asylum on the effect on the (i) mental and (ii) physical health of applicants of delays to asylum interviews and processing applications; if she will make it her policy to provide people seeking asylum with a timescale for (a) their substantive interview (b) the completion of their case; what steps she is taking to reduce delays; and if she will make a statement. (137293)
- 201 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people seeking asylum have been waiting for their (a) substantive interview or (b) decision on their application for over (i) six, (ii) 12 months; if she has a target timeframe for applicants to receive a substantive interview; and if she will make a statement. (137294)
- John McDonnell (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make it her policy to agree and implement a Women's Prison Release Protocol with co-signatories to the London Blueprint for Women in contact with the Criminal Justice System. (137212)
- 203NSarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

  Department, if she will publish the international partners and NGOs that her

  Department plans to work with to welcome wider groups of Afghans via the third

  pathway of the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme. (137402)

- 204N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that the understandable diversion of resources and attention towards managing the ongoing crisis in Ukraine does not detract from the UK's efforts to support the humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan. (137403)
- 205NSarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

  Department, whether her Department has plans to implement a scheme through
  which UK firms can sponsor Afghan citizens in need of relocation, in the same
  manner available for Ukrainian citizens.

  (137404)
- 206N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

  Department, when she plans to publish further details on the referral criteria for
  the Afghan Citizens Resettlement Scheme's third pathway beyond year one. (137405)
- 207NKate Osborne (Jarrow): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many in-person legal visits have taken place at (a) Brook House, (b) Tinsley House, (c) Yarl's Wood, (d) Dungavel, (e) Harmondsworth, (f) Colnbrook and (g) Derwentside immigration removal centres since 13 January 2022. (137441)
- 208N Kate Osborne (Jarrow): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many women have been moved or released from Derwentside immigration removal centre (IRC) since it opened; and how many of those women have (a) been moved to another IRC, (b) been deported, (c) accessed accommodation in the community and (d) had other circumstances.
- 209NKate Osborne (Jarrow): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, for what reason it is a requirement for volunteers to sign the Official Secrets

  Act when volunteering to be on an independent monitoring board for an immigration removal centre. (137443)
- 210N**Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she will limit practical barriers to Ukrainian refugees applying for a visa overseas by waiving the requirement to provide biometric data at a visa application centre. (137379)
- 211N Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she will enable Ukrainian refugee UK visa applicants to use the UK Immigration: ID Check app to self-enrol biometric information from their biometric passports where available. (137380)
- 212 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to put in place extra levels of protection for unaccompanied children fleeing Ukraine to the UK. (137381)
- 213 Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, what steps she is taking to put in place extra levels of protection for
  LBGTQI+ individuals fleeing Ukraine to the UK. (137382)

- 214 Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to put in place extra levels of protection for people holding refugee status or subsidiary status in Ukraine fleeing that country to the UK.

  (137383)
- 215 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking with her international counterparts to put in place extra levels of protection for minority groups fleeing Ukraine. (137384)
- Owen Thompson (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, whether she will introduce further visa policy concessions for (a)
  Russian and (b) Belarussian nationals at risk of persecution for speaking out
  against the war in Ukraine.

  (137385)
- 217 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether (a) Russian and (b) Belarussian nationals can secure visas for the UK from abroad after fleeing the country in which they were living due to persecution for speaking out against the war in Ukraine. (137386)
- 218N**Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she will provide information and guidance on applying for the Family Migration Visa and Ukrainian Family Scheme in Ukrainian on the gov.uk website.
- 219 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to prioritise the return of passports to people who had previously made an application at the former visa application centre in Kyiv. (137388)
- 220NEmily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many companies with an annual turnover of £36 million or more failed to produce a (a) modern slavery statement and (b) modern slavery statement that met minimum requirements under Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015, in each of the last five years. (137281)
- 221NNadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will take steps to allow Ukrainians in the UK to make online applications to the Ukraine Family Scheme on behalf of their relatives.

  (137459)
- 222 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence,
  (a) what assessment his Department made to the threat that Russian cyber-attacks
  poses to UK security and (b) what measures his Department has introduced to
  improve the UK's cyber-security capabilities. (137414)
- 223 Margaret Ferrier (Rutherglen and Hamilton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the Government's position is on the upcoming UN-backed political declaration on restricting the use of wide area effect explosive weapons in populated areas. (137343)

- 224 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether a senior manager in his Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137482)
- 225NTheresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to his oral contribution of 9 March 2022 on Ukraine Update, when the Government will decide on supplying the Ukrainian armed forces with Starstreak anti-aircraft missiles.

  (137273)
- 226NTheresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what is the earliest date by which the UK could begin supplying (a) star streak, (b) high velocity and (c) man portable anti-aircraft missiles to the Ukrainian armed forces.

  (137274)
- 227 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what his policy is for the re-use of graves across England and Wales. (137241)
- 228 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what recent assessment he has made of the availability of burial space in England and Wales; and whether the Government has plans to bring forward legislative proposals on the re-use of graves, similar to the regulations that apply in London.
- 229 **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether a senior manager in his Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137483)
- 230NDarren Jones (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if his Department will publish the funding agreements for Legal Aid Agency's immigration legal aid contracts that are expected to commence from September 2022.
- 231NAfzal Khan (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much criminal legal aid has been spent on the Litigators' Graduated Fee Scheme in each of the last 10 years. (137434)
- 232NAfzal Khan (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much criminal legal aid has been spent on accelerated measures applicable to the (a) Advocates' Graduated Fee Scheme and (b) Litigators' Graduated Fee Scheme from the date those measures came into force to December 2021. (137435)
- 233NAfzal Khan (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many of the recommendations of the Lammy Review, published on 8 September 2017, have been implemented by the Government to date. (137436)
- 234 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will review sentencing for women including potential alternatives to short-term sentences for non-violent offences. (137213)

- 235N**Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many prison officers have had disciplinary action taken against them relating to either the supply or use of drugs in each of the last ten years. (137319)
- 236NSteve Reed (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what proportion of prisoners were in work after six months of release in each of the last ten years.

  (137320)
- 237NSteve Reed (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 7 March 2022 to Question 132268, on Ministry of Justice: Accidents, if he will publish data on how much compensation his Department has paid out following accidents that have taken place in courts in England and Wales in each of the last three years inclusive of legal costs paid by his Department. (137321)
- 238NSteve Reed (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 7 March 2022 to Question 132268, on Ministry of Justice: Accidents, if he will publish data for how much compensation his Department has paid out following accidents that have taken place in courts in England and Wales in each of the last five years, by area. (137322)
- 239NSteve Reed (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate he has made of the cost to the public purse of the (a) economic and (b) social effects of reoffending by area in England in each of the last five years. (137323)
- 240NMr Laurence Robertson (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what assessment he has made of the level of take up of the spend local voucher scheme in Northern Ireland in each month since that scheme has been active; and if he will make a statement.
- 241NMr Laurence Robertson (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what assessment he has made of the impact of the spend local voucher scheme on footfall on high streets in Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement. (137227)
- 242 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Right hon. Member for Alyn and Deeside representing the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body, what steps the Sponsor Body is taking to help ensure that the construction of the Holocaust Memorial Centre is conducted sustainably. (137243)
- 243 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Right hon. Member for Alyn and Deeside representing the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body, what steps the Sponsor Body is taking to mitigate road traffic pollution caused by restoration and renewal on the parliamentary estate. (137244)
- 244 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Right hon. Member for Alyn and Deeside representing the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body, what assessment the Sponsor Body has made of the potential impact of the Restoration and Renewal of the Parliamentary Estate on levels of air pollution. (137245)

- 245 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Right hon. Member for Alyn and Deeside representing the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body, what assessment the Sponsor Body has made of the potential merits of transporting construction materials and debris via the River Thames during the (a) construction of the Holocaust Memorial Centre and (b) restoration and renewal of the parliamentary estate.
- 246 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Right hon. Member for Alyn and Deeside representing the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body, what steps the Sponsor body is taking to help mitigate road pollution on and around the Parliamentary estate during restoration and renewal works. (137247)
- 247 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Right hon. Member for Alyn and Deeside representing the Parliamentary Works Sponsor Body, what discussions the Sponsor Body has had with (a) experts and (b) industry leaders in (i) haulage and (ii) construction to ensure that the River Thames is effectively utilised during the restoration and renewal of the parliamentary estate.
- 248 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the progress of the Places for Growth programme. (137437)
- 249 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, If he will make it his policy that a minimum 85 per cent juice threshold is required for a product to be taxed and sold as cider. (137432)
- 250 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to expand the draft duty rate of beer to include containers from 20 litres. (137433)
- 251NNeil Coyle (Bermondsey and Old Southwark): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the £2 billion funding to tackle homelessness and rough sleeping announced in the Autumn 2021 Spending Review, what steps he is taking to ensure that grant funding for Capital Letters, a not-for-profit organisation that procures accommodation for homeless households on behalf of London boroughs, will be extended beyond March 2022. (137329)
- 252NVirginia Crosbie (Ynys Môn): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of reducing fuel duty to help (a) consumers and (b) hauliers in response to the energy crisis. (137457)
- 253NClaire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of (a) reducing VAT on road fuels and (b) retaining the freeze on road fuels excise duty in the context of recent price rises.
- 254N**Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of a mechanism by which, under IR35 rules, the deemed payment figure declared to

- HMRC, as reported by the fee payer, can be altered to enable the gross employee wages to be changed for tax calculation purposes, in circumstances where the personal service company has not paid the whole fee to the employee as wages, in relation to (a) Employers National Insurance, (b) Employees National Insurance, (c) the Apprenticeship Levy and (d) Personal Income Tax. (137355)
- 255NKevin Hollinrake (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent estimate he has made of the number of UK-based businesses with an annual turnover of between (a) £10,000 and £20,000, (b) £21,000 and £30,000, (c) £31,000 and £40,000, (d) £50,000 and £60,000 and (e) £70,000 and £85,000 in each of the last five years.
- 256 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether a senior manager in his Department has been given the portfolio for leading on departmental sustainability. (137480)
- 257NMrs Emma Lewell-Buck (South Shields): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what guidance he has provided to banks, financial services and providers regarding early termination fees for Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Schemes.
- 258 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of increasing Mileage Allowance Payments for business travel from 45 pence in the context of the rise in the cost of petrol and diesel. (137238)
- 259NChi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant the Answer of 9 March 2022 to Question 132251 on Transport: Freight, what steps HRMC takes a declarant does not provide the transport costs on their declaration. (137304)
- 260NRob Roberts (Delyn): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has had recent discussions with relevant stakeholders on the potential merits of a temporary reduction in fuel duty.

  (137448)
- 261NMr Laurence Robertson (Tewkesbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the effect of the cost of VAT to manufacturers where the Scottish Deposit Return Scheme reaches an 80 per cent bottle return rate; and if he will make a statement.
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to restore funding for (a) early help, (b) family support and (c) other early intervention services to pre-austerity levels.
- Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps his Department is taking to encourage businesses to accept cash payments following the end of covid-19 restrictions. (137302)

- 264NAlison Thewliss (Glasgow Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many and what proportion of recipients of bounce bank loans have not yet started repayments of those loans. (137351)
- 265 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the progress of the Places for Growth programme. (137438)

### Questions for Answer on Tuesday 15 March

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N **Dr Liam Fox** (North Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when the cross-department taskforce on older people's housing will be formed. (137220)
- 2N **Dr Liam Fox** (North Somerset): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent progress he has made on forming the cross-departmental taskforce on older people's housing. (137221)
- 3N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing Healthy Start prepaid cards to be used for (a) online and (b) telephone purchases of food items covered by that scheme.

  (137324)
- 4N Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what transaction fees are incurred on purchases covered by Healthy Start prepaid cards and; and if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of exempting charitable food providers from those fees. (137325)
- 5N **Mr David Lammy** (Tottenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions she has had with her counterparts in (a) the US and (b) Iran on negotiations to restore Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action compliance. (137219)
- 6N **Kevin Hollinrake** (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much revenue from VAT his Department has received from companies with an annual turnover (a) between (i) £85,000 and £125,000, (ii) £126,000 and £250,000, (iii) £251,000 and £500,000, (iv) £500,000 and £750,000, (v) £751,000 and £1,000,000 and (vi) £1 million and £5 million and (b) turnover over £5 million in each of the last five years.
- 7N Kevin Hollinrake (Thirsk and Malton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many companies registered for VAT have an annual turnover (a) between (i) £85,000 and £125,000, (ii) £126,000 and £250,000, (iii) £251,000 and £500,000, (iv) £500,000 and £750,000, (v) £751,000 and £1,000,000 and (vi) £1 million and £5 million and (b) over £5 million in each the last five years.

8N	lan Murray (Edinburgh South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what	
	recent progress has been made towards the independent report on Block Grar	nt
	Adjustments commissioned jointly by the Scottish and UK Governments as part	of
	the Fiscal Framework Review.	(137298)

9N **Ian Murray** (Edinburgh South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many Scottish Limited Partnerships have failed to provide a Person of Significant Control. (137299)

#### Oral Questions to the Chancellor of the Exchequer

- **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): What recent assessment he has made of the impact of inflation on living standards. (906058)
- 2 Andy Carter (Warrington South): What assessment he has made of the progress of the Kickstart Scheme. (906059)
- **Cherilyn Mackrory** (Truro and Falmouth): What assessment he has made of the progress of the Kickstart Scheme. (906060)
- **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): What assessment he has made of the potential merits for the Exchequer of reforming the gambling industry. (906061)
- **Stephen Farry** (North Down): What discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of reviewing the inflationary uplift in universal credit in response to the increase in the cost of living. (906062)
- **Gerald Jones** (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney): What fiscal steps he plans to take to help reduce the impact on households of the rise in the cost of living. (906063)
- **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): What recent steps he has taken to help reduce economic inequality. (906064)
- **Nia Griffith** (Llanelli): What recent steps he has taken to help ensure value for money in public spending. (906065)
- **Damien Moore** (Southport): What steps his Department is taking to encourage regional growth across the UK. (906066)
- **Henry Smith** (Crawley): What assessment he has made of the progress of the Kickstart Scheme. (906067)
- **Rebecca Long Bailey** (Salford and Eccles): What fiscal steps he plans to take to help reduce the impact on households of the rise in the cost of living. (906068)
- **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): What assessment he has made of the impact of the Levelling Up Fund on job opportunities and the economy across the UK. (906069)
- 13 Mr Ben Bradshaw (Exeter): What steps he is taking to tackle illicit finance. (906070)
- 14 Lucy Allan (Telford): What steps his Department is taking to manage the public finances effectively. (906071)

- **Mark Fletcher** (Bolsover): What fiscal steps he has taken to support investment in UK infrastructure. (906072)
- 16 James Wild (North West Norfolk): What fiscal steps he is taking to provide support to energy intensive industries. (906073)
- **Mr Richard Holden** (North West Durham): What fiscal steps his Department is taking to help low paid workers retain a greater proportion of their earnings. (906074)
- **Ms Marie Rimmer** (St Helens South and Whiston): What fiscal steps he plans to take to help reduce the impact on households of the rise in the cost of living. (906075)
- **Mr Alistair Carmichael** (Orkney and Shetland): If he will make an assessment of the potential merits of postponing the planned changes to red diesel regulations following the increases in fuel prices. (906076)
- **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): What fiscal steps he plans to take to help reduce the impact on households of the rise in the cost of living. (906077)
- **Dr James Davies** (Vale of Clwyd): What assessment he has made of the progress of the Kickstart Scheme. (906078)
- **Mr Steve Baker** (Wycombe): What steps he is taking with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to help ensure that areas in need of levelling up are able to attract private sector investment. (906079)
- **Dame Angela Eagle** (Wallasey): What recent assessment he has made of the strength of the UK economy. (906080)
- 24 Luke Hall (Thornbury and Yate): What steps he has taken to support investment in UK infrastructure. (906081)
- **Nick Smith** (Blaenau Gwent): What recent steps he has taken to help ensure value for money in public spending. (906082)

#### **Topical Questions to the Chancellor of the Exchequer**

11	departmental responsibilities.	(906083)
T2	Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford):	(906084)
ТЗ	Giles Watling (Clacton):	(906085)
T4	Bill Esterson (Sefton Central):	(906086)
T5	Andrew Bridgen (North West Leicestershire):	(906087)
Т6	John Penrose (Weston-super-Mare):	(906088)
T7	Jill Mortimer (Hartlepool):	(906089)

T8	Mark Menzies (Fylde):	(906090)
Т9	Felicity Buchan (Kensington):	(906091)
T10	Sir David Evennett (Bexleyheath and Crayford):	(906092)

## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 16 March

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

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- 1N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to improve the National Savings and Investments website's accessibility for blind users of that website. (137394)
- 2N Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish details of the temporary community pharmacy closures in each Clinical Commissioning Group area for each year since 2010 including the (a) date of closure, (b) reason for closure and (c) date of reopening. (137449)
- 3N Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if she will publish a list of all community pharmacies that have closed permanently in each year since 2010 by (a) clinical commissioning group, (b) date of closure and (c) reason for closure. (137450)
- 4N Kerry McCarthy (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support community rehabilitation services to deal with additional demand after the covid-19 outbreak. (137270)
- 5N Yvette Cooper (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many additional caseworkers has her Department assigned to process applications to the Ukraine Family Scheme since its introduction. (137254)
- 6N Yvette Cooper (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what is the average waiting time for appointments at visa application centres for those applying under the Ukraine Family Scheme. (137255)
- 7N Dr Rupa Huq (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether Ukrainian citizens fleeing Ukraine have to pay to apply for visa applications; and what assessment she has made of the potential merits of waiving visa application fees for Ukrainian refugees. (137393)

## Questions for Answer on Thursday 24 March

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people and organisations responded to the HMICFRS consultation on the Policing inspection programme and framework. (137228)
- 2N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the length of time for the consultation on the HMICFRS document on the Policing inspection programme and framework commencing April 2022. (137229)
- 3N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how the issues consulted on in the HMICFRS document on the Policing inspection programme and framework commencing April 2022 were identified.

  (137230)
- 4N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department has taken to publicise the consultation on the HMICFRS document on the Policing inspection programme and framework commencing April 2022. (137231)
- 5N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has plans to assess the effectiveness of the consultation on the Policing Inspection programme and framework commencing April 2022. (137232)