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## **Questions tabled on Tuesday 21 June 2022**

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

### Questions for Answer on Wednesday 22 June

- Mr Kevan Jones (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, and Media what steps her Department takes to ensure that people teaching swimming lessons in swimming baths in the UK have adequate qualifications to do so.

  [Transferred] (21102)
- 2 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he has plans to encourage businesses to run new apprenticeship schemes. [Transferred] (21268)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will hold discussions with the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy on the potential merits of establishing a specialised apprenticeship scheme for women who want to pursue careers in (a) engineering and (b) mechanics.

  [Transferred] (21186)
- 4 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the condition of the Penistone Line in Kirklees; and whether he plans to allocate funding for its improvement. [Transferred] (21093)

## Questions for Answer on Thursday 23 June

- 1 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Attorney General, how much her Department spent on consultancy fees in each of the last five years. (22548)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much his Department spent on consultancy fees in each of the last five years.

  (22549)
- 3 Mr Jonathan Lord (Woking): To ask the President of COP26, what assessment he has made of the impact of the war in Ukraine on the global delivery of the Glasgow Climate Pact. (22423)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department plans to publish a communications campaign in respect of the UKCA marking regime to raise awareness of that regime among businesses. (22537)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much his Department spent on consultancy fees in each of the last five years. (22550)
- Stephen Flynn (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions officials in his Department (a) have had and (b) plan to hold with relevant stakeholders on potential increased demand on Trading Standards Scotland arising from the (a) UK's departure from the EU, (b) recovery from the covid-19 outbreak and (c) changes in the environmental standards for goods and services.
- Stephen Flynn (Aberdeen South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions officials in his Department (a) have had and (b) plan to hold with relevant stakeholders on increasing the number of trading standards officers to meet potential increase in demand arising from the (a) UK's departure from the EU, (b) recovery from the covid-19 outbreak and (c) changes in the environmental standards for goods and services. (22527)
- 8 Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what his planned timeline is for the implementation and ratification of the Beijing Treaty on Audio visual Performances. (22582)
- 9 Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when the Government plans to publish its response to the consultation on Artificial Intelligence and IP: copyright and patents. (22583)
- 10 Kate Hollern (Blackburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made for the implications of his policies on food prices of the April 2022 IPCC report, Climate Change 2022,

- Mitigation of Climate Change, which reported that widespread use of bioenergy with carbon capture and storage could use up to 46% of the world's arable and cropland; and if he will make a statement. (22442)
- 11 **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of Sizewell C on levels of employment in Ipswich. (22563)
- Darren Jones (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many applications have been made to the Boiler Upgrade Scheme since its launch. (22505)
- Andrew Percy (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to help minimise disruption to the wider supply chain during the transition from Energy Company Obligation 3 to Energy Company Obligation 4. (22395)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to ensure there is sufficient network capacity for the increased demand for (a) electric heating from 2025 and (b) electric vehicle charging from 2023.
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department holds data on the proportion of heat pumps sold in the UK were (a) manufactured in the UK and (b) imported to the UK in the latest 12 months for which data is available. (22435)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what estimate his Department has made of the number of trained heat pump installers in the UK in 2021. (22436)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of a bespoke heat pump installer certification scheme, similar to the gas safe register, to protect consumers who are purchasing heat pumps. (22437)
- 18N **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of the Energy Charter Treaty's compatibility with international climate goals. [Transferred] (21099)
- 19 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps his Department is taking to help support grassroot sports initiatives in (a) Wolverhampton and (b) the West Midlands. (22531)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, how much her Department spent on consultancy fees in the last five years.
  (22551)

- 21 **Kate Griffiths** (Burton): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to ensure the rollout of gigabit broadband to (a) Croxden, (b) Marchington, (c) Denstone and (d) other rural areas of Burton constituency. (22567)
- 22 Tom Hunt (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the impact of free public Wi-Fi on footfall in town centres. (22562)
- 23N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if her Department will support local authorities to ensure that only level 2 qualified teachers teach swimming lessons to children and adults.

  [Transferred] (21100)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 17 May 2022 to Question 808 on Gambling, when he will publish the Gambling Review White Paper.
  (22459)
- 25 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had discussions with representatives of the voluntary sector on the potential opportunities that exist for Ukrainian refugees to volunteer in a field that they are able to contribute to. (22481)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if she will facilitate volunteering support for Ukrainian refugees for the purposes of enabling people to contribute to civil society while learning English.
- 27 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if she will provide advice to Ukrainian refugees who want to fund raise for causes in their communities in Ukraine on the process for doing so.
  (22486)
- 28 Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment her Department has made of the role of technology companies in preventing the harmful use of deepfake technology. (22516)
- 29 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what process his Department has in place to measure social mobility in children and young people from primary school age to (a) leaving education and (b) entering higher education. (22584)
- 30 Paula Barker (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department has plans to guarantee places in higher education settings for disadvantaged students. (22585)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much his Department spent on consultancy fees in the last five years. (22552)

- 32 **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will make a comparative assessment of the higher needs funding per pupil (a) in Ipswich and (b) across England on average for pupils with (i) mild to severe and (ii) severe needs.

  (22558)
- Tom Hunt (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much SEND pupils receive per pupil in Ipswich constituency under the area cost adjustment to the basic entitlement factor; and how that figure compares to the UK average. (22559)
- Tom Hunt (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of provision for specialist education settings in Ipswich. (22560)
- Tom Hunt (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the impact of supported apprenticeships on (a) improving the confidence and (b) the future employability of SEND pupils. (22561)
- Cherilyn Mackrory (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing additional mental health support for university students on placement years. (22535)
- 37 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to fast-track professional conversion exams for Ukrainian refugees with relevant qualifications. (22472)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to help support Ukrainian refugees who started a university course in Ukraine to complete their studies in the UK. (22473)
- 39 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to provide Ukrainian refugees with English language training to support their ability to work in the UK. (22474)
- 40 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to help UK (a) universities and (b) colleges provide free English language tuition to Ukrainian refugees. (22475)
- 41 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will take steps with Cabinet colleagues to provide (a) basic, (b) intermediary and (c) advanced English language tuition to (i) Ukrainian refugees and (ii) all other refugees.
- 42 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if he will make provision for Ukrainian refugee children to attend holiday clubs over summer 2022 (a) in general and (b) in order that their parents are able to attend language courses. (22484)

- 43 Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what progress his Department has made on implementation of recommendations to Government made in Ofsted's review of sexual abuse in schools and colleges. (22512)
- Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what (a) process and (b) criteria he will use to determine the membership of the National Implementation Board of experts for the Care Review. (22513)
- Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether the Government has made progress on the implementation of the recommendations from Ofsted's Review of sexual abuse in schools and colleges, published on 10 June 2021.
- Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Independent Review of Children's Social Care, what discussions he has had with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on increasing investment in the care system.
- Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if his Department will make an assessment of the adequacy of the UCAS application process for people who attended school outside the UK when they were aged between 11 and 16.
- Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if his Department will take steps to ensure that UCAS applicants who have undertaken qualifications that are equivalent to GCSEs are not penalised in their applications.

  (22520)
- 49 Sarah Owen (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing a GCSE qualification in the Romanian language. (22568)
- Mr Toby Perkins (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many students started an undergraduate degree course at each higher education institution in England in each year since 2017; and what proportion of those students had left that course by (a) Christmas and (b) Easter of the first year. (22397)
- Mr Toby Perkins (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many students started a level three course at each English further education institution in each year since 2017; and what proportion of those students had left that course by (a) Christmas and (b) Easter of the first year. (22398)
- Mr Toby Perkins (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many students started in a level two course at each further education institution in England in each year since 2017; and what proportion of those students had left their course by (a) Christmas and (b) Easter of the first year. (22399)

- 53 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to Ministerial speeches published on his Department's website, whether he has made a recent assessment of the accuracy of transcripts that are labelled as transcript of the speech, exactly as it was delivered, as opposed to check against delivery. (22408)
- Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the Schools Bill on how Special Educational Needs will be taken into account when monitoring school attendance.
  (22418)
- Matt Western (Warwick and Leamington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he plans to issue guidance to universities on making adjustments and improvements to premises used for teaching and accommodation to (a) improve ventilation and (b) reduce the risk of covid-19 transmission during the summer 2022 university vacation period. (22504)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that tree and plant growers are globally competitive and able to meet demand. (22543)
- 57 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of steps needed to facilitate access to alternatives to peat for use in horticulture. (22544)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much his Department spent on consultancy fees in the last five years. (22553)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of legislation concerning riparian rights and responsibilities; and if he will make an assessment of the potential implications of that legislation on flood risks.
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what his Department's timetable is for publishing its response to the consultation on Ending the retail sale of peat in horticulture in England and Wales, which closed on 18 March 2022. (22458)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the findings of the Animal Kindness Index 2022 published by the RSPCA and SSPCA. (22467)
- 62 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when he will next review Nitrate Vulnerable Zones. (22402)
- 63 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many contraventions of illegal storage of waste have been identified in nitrate vulnerable zones in each of the last four years. (22405)

- Or Matthew Offord (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many prosecutions there have been for the illegal storage of manure waste in nitrate vulnerable zones in each of the last four years. (22406)
- 65 **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of (a) developing hemp production in the UK and (b) simplifying the regulations governing such production. (22493)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether her Department has undertaken an assessment of the potential merits of an earned recognition trusted trader imports system for the professional tree and plant growers. (22541)
- 67 Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of including UK ornamental horticulture and landscaping in the Government's global export strategy. (22542)
- 68 Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, how much her Department spent on consultancy fees in the last five years. (22554)
- 69N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 17 June 2022 to Question 14638 on Energy Charter Treaty, what proportion of cases brought by UK companies under that Charter have been in the (a) renewable energy sector and (b) oil, gas and mining sector; and if she will make a statement.

  [Transferred] (21287)
- Paula Barker (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what (a) short- and (b) long-term plans his Department has to tackle the significant demand for housing, particularly in urban centres, across the north of England. (22586)
- Paula Barker (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling
  Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has plans to increase the
  funding allocated to youth services in areas of high deprivation. (22590)
- 72 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much his Department spent on consultancy fees in the last five years. (22555)
- 73 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what role he is planning for community pharmacies in delivering the Government's levelling up commitments. (22387)
- 74 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential impact of community pharmacies on equality of healthcare outcomes in England. (22388)

- 75 **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of levels of regional disparity in economic recovery following the covid-19 outbreak. (22375)
- 76 **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure local authorities address isolation and loneliness among people with a learning disability. (22611)
- 77 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the availability of funding for local authorities to install and maintain CCTV networks. (22452)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department plans to publish an impact assessment of the future homes standard. (22431)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will bring forward the consultation period on the technical specification for the future homes standard to 2023, to provide industry with more time to meet the 2025 implementation date. (22432)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of a transition phase for the future homes standard, so that new developments that receive planning consents before 2025 can continue to build to existing standards.
- Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department has taken to increase the availability of shared ownership properties. (22419)
- Peter Aldous (Waveney): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to his Transport Decarbonisation Plan and Future of Freight Plan, what assessment he has made of his Department's progress on increasing the modal share of rail freight; and what steps he is taking to increase capacity for moving rail freight sustainably. (22414)
- Peter Aldous (Waveney): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department prioritises decarbonisation benefits alongside cost considerations when assessing schemes to increase rail freight capacity. (22415)
- Peter Aldous (Waveney): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether commitments on increasing the modal share of freight in the (a) Transport Decarbonisation and (b) Future of Freight plans will inform the (i) assessment and (ii) delivery of essential rail freight schemes such as that planned for Ely Junction.

(22416)

- Peter Aldous (Waveney): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish the improved rail capacity outline business case for the Ely area capacity enhancement scheme; and what steps he is taking to increase rail capacity through Haughley Junction. (22417)
- 86 Mr Tobias Ellwood (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much his Department spent on consultancy fees in each year since 2017.
  (22363)
- 87 **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that the aviation sector is (a) innovative and (b) sustainable. (22364)
- 88 **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment he has made of the expected timescale for self-driving vehicles to be permitted on roads. (22365)
- 89 **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will provide Parliament with a report on the work of his Department's Acceleration Unit. (22380)
- 90 **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many projects the Acceleration Unit has advised on since it was established; and if he will make an estimate of the (a) time and (b) monetary savings secured on projects due to advice from the Acceleration Unit. (22381)
- 91 **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much it cost to operate the Acceleration Unit in each year since 2020. (22382)
- 92 **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential impact of the rail strikes on the economy. (22383)
- 93 **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an estimate of the average salary of (a) train guards, (b) train drivers, and (c) signalling staff as of 21 June 2022. (22384)
- 94 **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to require Great British Railways to invest in digital signalling across the rail network as part of his next High Level Output Specification and Statement of Funds Available for Control Period 7. (22385)
- 95 **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of providing seasonal visas to address staff shortages in UK airports. (22496)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the average processing time was for driving licence applications where a medical condition needed to be considered, as of 21 June 2022. (22460)

- 97 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will take steps with Cabinet colleagues to provide free bus transport to Ukrainian refugees. (22478)
- 98 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will take steps to help provide Ukrainian refugees with free access to public transport in the UK. (22479)
- 99 Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department has taken to ensure that airline customers receive (a) fair and (b) considered compensation for cancelled flights. (22508)
- 100 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to improve electric vehicle infrastructure in the North West. (22509)
- 101 Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the financial impact on the (a) hospitality sector and (b) rest of the UK economy of the rail industrial action on 21, 23 and 25 June 2022.

  (22510)
- 102 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with British airlines on late-notice cancellations of flights. (22430)
- 103 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to take steps to encourage the building of publicly accessible hydrogen refuelling stations. (22348)
- 104 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to help make the use of hydrogen commercially viable for heavy good vehicles. (22606)
- 105 **Graham Stringer** (Blackley and Broughton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he plans to place in the Library the study commissioned by HS2 on a like-for-like comparison on the surface station and the underground station for HS2 at Manchester Piccadilly. (22357)
- Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if his Department will take steps to help simplify the process for claiming compensation for (a) flight cancellations and (b) the cost of alternative travel arrangements. (22420)
- 107 **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to put a process in place for approving time-limited temporary danger areas for drone (a) trials and (b) routes. (22492)
- 108 **Derek Thomas** (St Ives): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to support Royal Mail's plans for drone deliveries in remote areas of the UK; and how many applications have the Civil Aviation Authority approved for such deliveries from Royal Mail. (22494)

- 109 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to support the decarbonisation of the shipping sector. (22594)
- 110 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to improve electric vehicle infrastructure in the UK. (22595)
- 111 Matt Vickers (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the timescale for self-driving vehicles to be permitted on UK roads. (22596)
- 112 Matt Vickers (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he has taken to support the launch of rockets and satellites from the UK. (22597)
- 113 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to support UK supply chains. (22598)
- 114 Matt Vickers (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policy of the Union Connectivity Review's recommendations on strengthening transport links. (22599)
- 115 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he has taken with the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs to sanction and detain Russian aircraft and sea vessels. (22600)
- 116N John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 14 June 2022 to Question 11554 on Social Security Benefits: Armed Forces, how many of the 33,800 Universal Credit claimants who previously served in the armed forces are former (a)

  Commonwealth and (b) Gurkha personnel.

  [Transferred] (21085)
- 117 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent steps her Department has taken to help ensure accuracy in the payment of benefits. (22448)
- 118 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment her Department has made of the (a) effectiveness and (b) impact on claimants of the requirement for all overpayments to be collected from Universal Credit claimants in the context of the proportion of claimants who are having a collection for an overpayment applied. (22449)
- 119 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average waiting time is for an assessment for Personal Independence Payment from the point of the initial claim. (22450)
- 120 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has made a recent assessment of the level of risk of incorrect child maintenance calculations being made as a result of fraudulent informal arrangements relating to other children. (22451)

- 121 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what (a) pension and (b) pension credit entitlements are pension-age refugees from Ukraine able to access in the UK. (22480)
- 122 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will publish the financial criteria for eligibility for the Social Fund Funeral Payment scheme; and what was the average proportion of funeral costs that this scheme covered in the last 12 months. (22396)
- 123 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to increase provision of mental health services for young people. (22589)
- 124 **Ben Bradley** (Mansfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his Department's press release, Government delays restrictions on multibuy deals and advertising on TV and online, published on 14 May 2022, when his Department plans to bring forward legislative proposals to delay the implementation of restrictions on the advertising of foods that are high in fat, sugar and salt.
- 125 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of gardening and horticulture for people's (a) physical and (b) mental welfare. (22539)
- 126 Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on reducing the risk of pollution to the health of people living in urban areas through the provision of urban woodland and green space. (22540)
- 127 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will (a) make an estimate of the number of south Asians who use chewed tobacco products in the UK and (b) conduct a formal assessment of the impact of those products on people's health. (22488)
- 128 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the number of south Asians in the UK who (a) contract oral cancer and (b) die as a result of using chewed tobacco. (22489)
- 129 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps his Department has taken to help reduce stigma in respect of liver disease. (22607)
- 130 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to reduce liver disease mortality rates in areas of social deprivation. (22608)
- 131 Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing fibroscans in primary care to improve early diagnosis of liver disease. (22609)

- 132 **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the availability of steel on the health infrastructure plan; and if what steps he is taking to tackle any issues arising from the availability of steel. (22557)
- 133 **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has plans to tackle loneliness and isolation experienced by people with learning disabilities. (22610)
- 134 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has had with NHS Trusts on waiting lists; and what support the Government has made available to help reduce waiting lists. (22456)
- 135 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to establish a process whereby people from overseas with professional dentistry qualifications are able to shadow NHS dentists for the purposes of learning the (a) professional language and (b) operations of UK dentistry.
- 136 Mark Menzies (Fylde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has taken steps to ensure that local general practitioners are consulted ahead of the transition from clinical commissioning groups to integrated care systems. (22400)
- 137 **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to (a) increase cancer treatment capacity and (b) reduce waiting times for that treatment. (22507)
- 138 **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what support her Department is
  providing to the Bangladeshi Government in the context of the flooding affecting
  that country. (22588)
- 139 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she is taking steps to help
  support an independent investigation by the International Commission of Human
  Rights Experts on Ethiopia into allegations of civilians being killed by Oromia
  Liberation Army forces in the Welega zone of Ethiopia on 18 June 2022. (22379)
- 140 Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether she has plans to publish an
  updated strategy on the Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict. (22536)
- 141 Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the International Development Strategy published May 2022, how her Department defines mainstreaming gender equality. (22538)

- 142 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps she is taking to ensure that
  gender equality is mainstreamed in the International Development Strategy. (22441)
- Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the UK Government (a) has signed or (b) plans to sign the Kigali Declaration on Neglected Tropical Diseases; and what steps the Government is taking to tackle those diseases in the context of that declaration.
- 144 **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to tackle the impact of neglected tropical diseases on health, education and employment opportunities for women and girls. (22371)
- 145 Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the report of the UN Special Rapporteur on Discrimination Against Persons with Leprosy at the UN Human Rights Council 50th Session in June 2022, what steps her Department plans to take to support leprosy-endemic countries in protecting, promoting and fulfilling the right to the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health for persons affected by that disease. (22372)
- Jerome Mayhew (Broadland): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
   Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed new Tunisian Constitution on democratic accountability in Tunisia, in the context of the low rates of participation of potential voters in the preceding online consultation.
- 147 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether her Department has made
  representations to the Tunisian Government on the prosecution of members of
  the Tunisian Parliament which may carry the death penalty. (22529)
- 148 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if she will make a statement on (a) the
  political, economic and social situation in Tunisia and (b) steps the Government is
  taking in response to the political roadmap of President Saied. (22530)
- 149 Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment her Department has
  made of the level of threat posed to UK (a) security and (b) regional interests by
  the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps in Iran. (22517)
- 150 Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for the Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if she will make representations to her
  counterpart in the French Government that, in addition to the UEFA inquiry, the
  French authorities conduct their own investigation into (a) police conduct and (b)
  security measures during the 2022 UEFA Champions League Final. (22521)

- Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to
  support language skills and training across Government departments. (22522)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment her Department has
  made of the implications for its policies of reports of a US Navy warship firing
  a warning flare to wave off an Iranian Revolutionary Guard speedboat in the
  strategic Strait of Hormuz. (22403)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an what assessment of the effect of availability of personal data via online telephone directory services on risk of scamming to vulnerable and older people. (22556)
- **Alberto Costa** (South Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of introducing visa free travel for people wishing to visit the UK from Serbia. (22464)
- **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much her Department spent on consultancy fees in each year since 2017. (22362)
- **Mr Mark Harper** (Forest of Dean): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many challenges of deportations of foreign national offenders by her Department have been successful for offenders with sentences of (a) less than one year custodial sentence, (b) one to four years custodial sentence and (c) more than four years custodial sentence in each year over the last 10 years. (22368)
- **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment she has made of the impact of the Migration and Economic Development Partnership with Rwanda on the number of small boats crossing the English Channel. (22564)
- **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the status of the Police Pension Scheme changes are as of 21 June 2022; and whether the Pensions Ombudsman has been involved in that process. (22525)
- **Robert Largan** (High Peak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to respond to the application from a constituent of High Peak to the European Union Settlement Scheme of 26 June 2021, reference 20034264; whether she plans to update the office of the hon. Member for High Peak on the status of that application further to her Department's correspondence of 4 March 2022; and for what reason that application has been subject to delays.

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- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average waiting time in minutes was on the MP UK Visas and Immigration helpline in (a) April and (b) May 2022. (22455)
- 161 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the Answer of 28 April 2022 to Question 156507 on Immigration, if she will make an assessment of the effectiveness of the Home Office decision-making process for migration Applications, in (a) the UK and (b) overseas.
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 13 June to Question 1193 on Passports: Applications, how many of the 98.5 per cent of passport applications completed in 10 weeks were upgraded by the applicant to a premium or fast track service.
- 163 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many passport upgrades for (a) fast track and (b) premium services were made in (a) April 2022 and (b) May 2022; and how much additional revenue from processing fees has been collected from those upgraded applications.
- 164 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average processing time was for (a) visitor and (b) spousal/partner visa applications as of 21 June 2022. (22463)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she is taking steps to help ensure that Ukrainian people fighting in the war in that country are able to access the UK during their 10 days' leave if they have family members in the UK under any refugee scheme; and whether she has had discussions with her counterparts in (a) Poland and (b) other countries on allowing their travel.
- 166 Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure that illicit
  cigarettes do not make their way into the UK. (22511)
- 167 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps to proscribe Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps as a terrorist organisation. (22404)
- 168 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent estimate she has made of the number of children living in poverty in the UK with parents who are subject to No Recourse to Public Funds.

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- 169 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will hold discussions with Cabinet colleagues on amending the immigration regulations governing No Recourse to Public Funds to enable emergency access to Universal Credit for parents who become unable to work due to (a) ill-health or (b) caring responsibilities. (22446)
- 170 **Dr Dan Poulter** (Central Suffolk and North Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 16 June 2022 to Question 15228 on Agriculture: Seasonal Workers, on what basis her Department decided what the duration of seasonal worker visas for poultry workers should be; if she will make an assessment of the impact of the duration of those visas on incentives for poultry workers to come to the UK; and what discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on helping to ensure that (a) recruitment processes for poultry workers are safe and (b) poultry workers are protected by UK employment rights.

(22394)

- 171 **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many anti-tank Javelin missiles does the army have as of 20 June 2022. (22360)
- 172 **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much his Department spent on (a) management and (b) other consultancy fees in each year since 2017. (22361)
- 173 James Gray (North Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many HIV positive service people were dismissed from the (a) Army, (b) Navy and (c) Air force in the latest period for which figures are available. (22342)
- 174 **James Gray** (North Wiltshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, until what date HIV positive status was a bar to military service; on what evidence was that bar to military service based; and if he will make a statement. (22343)
- 175 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to (a) strengthen (i) communication and (ii) digitisation and (b) reduce clearance times for War Pension and Armed Forces Compensation Scheme claims. (22453)
- 176 **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the quality of literacy education in prisons. (22565)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many (a) prosecutions and (b) convictions there were for covid-19 related offences in England and Wales in 2021. (22454)
- 178 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Prime Minister, how much his Office spent on consultancy fees in each of the last five years. (22547)
- 179 Cherilyn Mackrory (Truro and Falmouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, what steps the Government is taking to help level up communities across Scotland. (22534)

- **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps his Department plans to take to ensure that workers are adequately remunerated in the context of the recent increase in the cost of living. (22587)
- **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has plans to mitigate the impact of a potential rise in inflation to 11 per cent, as forecast by the Bank of England. (22591)
- Paula Barker (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what plans he has to (a) mitigate and (b) tackle the impact on people's personal finances of the recent increase in the cost of living. (22592)
- **Paula Barker** (Liverpool, Wavertree): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps his Department is taking to reduce the national debt; and what assessment he has made of the potential implications for the economy of the size of the national debt.

  (22593)
- **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when the Approved Mileage Allowance Payment rates were last reviewed; and when he next plans to review those rates in the context of high costs of road fuel. (22532)
- **Stephen Hammond** (Wimbledon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made for the implications of his policies of the Institution of Civil Engineer's recommendation that the National Infrastructure Strategy should be placed on a statutory footing to provide more clarity and guidance on where the UK Infrastructure Bank should focus. (22386)
- 186 Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what fiscal steps he is taking to help reduce the impact of inflation on households' cost of living. (22373)
- 187 Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent steps he has taken to help ensure value for money in public spending. (22374)
- **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to his oral statement of 26 May 2022 on Economy Update, Official report, column 449, what steps he is taking to ensure that people on shared electricity tariffs receive financial support. (22524)
- **Damien Moore** (Southport): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to introduce regulation on (a) cryptocurrencies and (b) other decentralised financial assets in the UK. (22515)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to classify strike payments made by unions to its members as a taxable benefit. (22401)

- 191NRob Roberts (Delyn): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent steps he has taken to close the pension benefits loophole affecting workers with net pay pension schemes who earn between £10,000 and £12,500. [Transferred] (21306)
- 192 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to take steps to provide financial incentives for the use of hydrogen powered commercial vehicles. (22349)
- 193 **Kelly Tolhurst** (Rochester and Strood): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking to help ensure that banks are passing on the interest rate increase to their customers. (22487)
- 194 Matt Vickers (Stockton South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what progress he has made towards making the UK an attractive place for cryptocurrency companies to operate. (22601)
- 195 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps his Department is taking to support the financial services sector to increase its competitiveness. (22602)
- 196 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of financial sanctions imposed by the Government on the Russian regime following the invasion of Ukraine. (22603)
- 197 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether her Department is taking steps to support young people with autism into work. (22428)
- 198 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether she has had discussions with the Secretary of State for Education on the potential merits of including basic sign language in the social skills curriculum. (22429)

## Questions for Answer on Monday 27 June

- 1N Chris Stephens (Glasgow South West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what equalities impact assessment his Department has undertaken in respect of the Government Property Agency's decision to retender their Facilities Management contracts in late 2022; and if he will place a copy of that equalities impact assessment in the Library.
- 2N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the British energy security strategy published in April 2022, what plans he has to publish a consultation on changes to the Renewables Obligation. (22412)

- 3N **Sir Greg Knight** (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans has has to bring forward new policy proposals to increase the use of wave energy generation; with reference to the Wave Hub marine renewable infrastructure project off the South coast, whether he plans to support new wave energy development in the North of England; and if he will make a statement.
- 4N Andrea Leadsom (South Northamptonshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to help ensure that energy suppliers' environmental and social obligation costs are distributed effectively to help households on lower incomes. (22424)
- Dr Alan Whitehead (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of a dedicated hydrogen transmission network to move excess renewable energy across the UK in the form of green hydrogen; if he will publish that assessment; and whether he is taking steps to facilitate development of a dedicated hydrogen transmission network across the UK. (22330)
- 6N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an estimate of the cost of curtailment to consumers in the event that the 2030 50GW target for offshore wind is met.
- 7N **Dr Alan Whitehead** (Southampton, Test): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will undertake a comparative assessment of the cost of moving excess renewable energy between Scotland and other parts of UK by (a) reinforcing electricity grid infrastructure, (b) converting electricity to hydrogen and blending into the national gas transmission system and (c) converting electricity to hydrogen and injecting into a dedicated 100 per cent hydrogen pipeline.
- 8N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment he has made of whether changes to gambling regulations are required in response to the Report of the Independent Review of the Regulation of BetIndex Limited. (22413)
- 9N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether he plans to issue guidance to nurseries, childminders and other early years education and childcare settings on making adjustments and improvements to (a) improve ventilation and (b) reduce the risk of covid-19 transmission in those settings during the 2022 summer holiday period. (22490)
- 10N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether his Department plans to issue guidance to special schools on making adjustments and improvements to (a) improve ventilation and (b) reduce the risk of covid-19 transmission in those settings during the 2022 summer holiday period.

- 11N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps he is taking to help UK professional bodies recognise Ukrainian professional qualifications. (22470)
- 12N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the European Qualifications Passport for Refugees, what plans he has to passport qualifications for Ukrainian refugees to help enable them to access work.
- 13N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the (a) value and (b) potential merits of the operating freedoms available to academy schools. (22409)
- 14N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of provisions in the Schools Bill on the operating freedoms available to academy schools. (22410)
- 15N Zarah Sultana (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of (a) SATs and (b) statutory testing on pupil mental health and wellbeing; and if he will make it his policy to pause such testing to allow for a profession-led review of the potential impact of the current assessment system in primary schools on pupil wellbeing. (22569)
- 16N Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the recommendations of The Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons on reforming the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966, entitled Recommendations for future veterinary legislation, published on 13 October 2021.

(22466)

- 17N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will review his policy on badger culling prior to the issuing of any new cull licences; and if he will make a statement. (22333)
- 18N Geraint Davies (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will make an assessment of the implications for his Department's policies of the research by Thomas E.S. Langton et al. entitled Analysis of the impact of badger culling on bovine tuberculosis in cattle in the high-risk area of England 2009–2020, published on 18 March 2022. (22334)
- 19N Rosie Duffield (Canterbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if the Government will bring forward legislation to implement the Landscapes Review's recommendations to reform the purposes, duties and governance of England's National Parks and AONBs in this Parliament; and when those legislative proposals will be introduced. (22502)

- 20N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment he has made of the impact of rising wheat costs on catering businesses; and whether he plans to take further steps to support (a) small- and (b) medium-sized catering businesses. [Transferred] (21241)
- 21N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 16 June 2022 to Question 16828 on Beach Huts: Property Transfer, if he will publish the (a) policy objectives and (b) intent and spirit underpinning the Government's extension of the freedoms provided; and what the process is for him to be notified of any indication that authorities are not using the direction as planned. (22339)
- 22N **Rosie Duffield** (Canterbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
  Housing and Communities, if he will review legislation on netting on buildings to
  deter birds.
  (22503)
- 23N **Kate Green** (Stretford and Urmston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many £350 optional thank you payments have been made under the Homes for Ukraine scheme; and what the average time taken is for a thank you payment to be made.

  [R] (22425)
- 24N James Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
  Housing and Communities, what assessment has he made of the potential effect
  of clauses 82 to 91 and schedule 7 of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill on
  (a) how the Mayor of London should (i) consult, (ii) draft, (iii) publish and (iv) gain
  approval for and (b) his role in relation to the London Plan. (22571)
- 25N James Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
  Housing and Communities, what assessment has he made of the potential effect
  of clauses 82 to 91 and schedule 7 of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill on
  the powers that would be (a) gained and (b) lost by the (i) Secretary of State and
  (ii) Mayor of London.
- 26N James Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
  Housing and Communities, if he make it his policy to publish a list of any (a)
  discussions and (b) correspondence his Department has with the Mayor of London
  on the potential impact of clauses 82 to 91 and schedule 7 of the Levelling Up and
  Regeneration Bill. (22573)
- 27N James Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
  Housing and Communities, if he will make it his policy to publish details of any (a)
  consultation and (b) consultation responses his Department undertakes relating
  to the proposed changes to the London Plan as set out in clauses 82 to 91 and
  schedule 7 of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill. (22574)
- 28N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, under what circumstances vendors need an EWS1 certificate; and whether those circumstances have been accepted by mortgage lenders. (22495)

- 29N **Sir Greg Knight** (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what plans he has to increase tactile paving at railway stations to improve safety for visually impaired passengers; and if he will make a statement. (22359)
- 30N Virginia Crosbie (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people have found employment as a result of the Way to Work campaign as of June 21 2022. (22605)
- 31N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will make an estimate of the number of children living in households subject to Universal Credit sanctions by parliamentary constituency in each month since January 2022. (22427)
- 32N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what guidance her Department is providing to job centres on the difficulty of obtaining job references for Ukrainian refugees. (22468)
- 33N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will take steps to help remove requirements for Ukrainian refugees to provide references for previous employment when applying for a job.

  (22469)
- 34N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, for what reason Ukrainian refugees are required to attend the job centre weekly; what assessment she has made of the impact of the frequency of those visits on people's ability to pursue (a) English classes and (b) volunteering opportunities; and if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of less frequent visits.
- 35N Jessica Morden (Newport East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many new enquiries her Department's MP Urgent Enquiries inbox handled in each month in from January 2021 to May 2022; what steps her Department is taking to manage the (a) performance and (b) case management of those teams; what steps she is taking to oversee the performance of the Urgent Enquiry inbox; and if she will make a statement.
- 36N **Rob Roberts** (Delyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether she has taken steps to reduce the number of assessments a disabled person is required to go through in order to access support when a significant change in their circumstances is unlikely. (22576)
- 37N **Rob Roberts** (Delyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps her Department has taken in this Parliament to help disabled people get into work and close the disability employment gap. (22577)

- 38N **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps she is taking to ensure that a means test on the income of both parties is taken into account when determining the levels of child maintenance payments; and if she will make a statement. (22341)
- 39N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what discussions she is having with her Canadian counterpart on uprating British State Pensions paid to people living in Canada. (22389)
- 40N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many claims for payments under the Vaccine Damage Payment Scheme were (a) assessed and (b) concluded by the Government contractor Crawford and Company in the weeks beginning (i) 6 June and (i) 13 June 2022. (22335)
- 41N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 13 June 2022 to Question 14409 on Coronavirus: Vaccination, whether the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) differentiates between coroners' reports which find vaccination to be the cause of death and those which cite vaccination as only a possible contributing factor of death; and if he will take steps to ensure that the outcomes of considerations by MHRA of coroners' reports are published. (22336)
- 42N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 14 June 2022 to Question 15171 on Coronavirus: Vaccination, if he will publish the advice from the Joint Committee of Vaccination and Immunisation on the deployment of the Novavax vaccine. (22337)
- 43N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 14 June 2022 to Question 15172, how many doses of the Astra Zeneca covid-19 vaccine were administered to patients in England in (a) January (b) February and (c) March 2022; and how many doses of that vaccine the NHS has in stock as of 21 June 2022. (22338)
- 44N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans his Department has to extend covid-19 vaccinations to children under five. (22426)
- 45N Mr Richard Holden (North West Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of enabling paramedics with prescription training, including paramedic practitioners based in GP surgeries, to prescribe a limited number of drugs to alleviate pressure on the NHS.
- 46N Anne Marie Morris (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 14 June 2022 to Question 14494, on Voluntary Scheme for Branded Medicines Pricing and Access, whether the (a) minutes and (b) further details of those meetings are in the public domain. (22438)

47N **Anne Marie Morris** (Newton Abbot): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the five highest health gain categories are in respect of the Voluntary scheme for branded medicines pricing and access, published in December 2018.

(22439)

- 48N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 6 January 2022 to Question 94344 on Schools: Coronavirus, whether the trial of ventilation technologies taking place in primary classrooms in Bradford has concluded; between which dates the trial was actively collecting data; when he expects to publish the results of that trial; how he plans to disseminate the results of that trial; what recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Education on that trial; and if he will make a statement. (22411)
- 49N Rob Roberts (Delyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 20 June 2022 to Question 19015 on Medical Treatments: Innovation, if his Department will take steps to help ensure that research and data collected by the (a) Innovative Medicines Fund and (b) Cancer Drugs Fund will be shared with NHS bodies in the devolved legislatures. (22575)
- 50N **Mr Laurence Robertson** (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the potential health impact of the PSTN switch-off on people suffering from Electro-Hypersensitivity; and if he will make a statement. (22340)
- 51N Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if she will publish details of the position of the Climate Finance Delivery Plan as of 21 June 2022; what estimate she has made of when the goal of \$100 billion will be reached; through what means that goal will be reached; and what plans the Government has relating to a post-2025 target.
- 52N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment she has made of the
  implications for her policies of reports that the majority of the 6,141 homicides
  registered in the 170 most violent municipalities in Mexico so far in 2022 were
  the result of confrontations between organised crime groups; and whether the
  Mexican Government has requested support from the UK Government in respect
  of that matter.
- 53N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions she has had with her
  Ecuadorian counterpart on the indigenous-led protests against the administration
  of the president of that country, Guillermo Lasso. (22351)
- 54N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what information her Department
  holds on whether Salman and Hashem Abedi were debriefed following their
  evacuation from Libya by the Royal Navy in August 2014. (22566)

- 55N Jessica Morden (Newport East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
  Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many new enquiries her
  Department's MP Urgent Enquiries inbox handled in each month in from January
  2021 to May 2022; what steps her Department is taking to manage the (a)
  performance and (b) case management of those teams; what steps she is taking
  to oversee the performance of the Urgent Enquiry inbox; and if she will make a
  statement.
- 56N **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the total cost was of the Independent Office for Police Conduct investigation into South Yorkshire Police response to child sexual exploitation cases, referred to as Operation Linden. (22440)
- 57N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average waiting time is for (a) Skilled Worker visas, (b) study visas, (c) family visas, and (d) visitor visas. (22352)
- 58N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of applicants for (a) Skilled Worker visas, (b) study visas, (c) family visas, and (d) visitor visas wait more than 100 days for a decision on their application. (22353)
- 59N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Civil Service staff have been seconded to the Passport Office to resolve application backlogs; and how much those secondments have cost the public purse. (22354)
- 60N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what was the average waiting time at UK airport border control in each of the last twelve months. (22355)
- 61N **Mr Mark Harper** (Forest of Dean): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many attempted deportations by her Department of foreign national offenders have been successfully challenged in each year over the last 10 years. (22366)
- 62N **Mr Mark Harper** (Forest of Dean): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of attempted deportations of foreign national offenders by her Department have been successfully challenged on Article 8 ECHR grounds in each year over the last 10 years. (22367)
- 63N **Mr Mark Harper** (Forest of Dean): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of challenges to deportations of foreign national offenders by her Department have been successful in each year over the last 10 years. (22369)
- 64N **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many new enquiries her Department's MP Urgent Enquiries inbox handled in each month in from January 2021 to May 2022; what steps her

- Department is taking to manage the (a) performance and (b) case management of those teams; what steps she is taking to oversee the performance of the Urgent Enquiry inbox; and if she will make a statement. (22376)
- 65N **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 21 June 2022 Question 5468 on Homes for Ukraine Scheme: Children, what assessment the Government has made of the potential merits of awarding visas to minors travelling to the UK from Ukraine with the consent of parents who are remaining in Ukraine to contribute to its defence against the Russian invasion.
- 66N **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 21 June 2022 to Question 5468 on Homes for Ukraine Scheme: Children, what assessment the Government has made of the potential merits of awarding visas to minors travelling to the UK with the consent of parents who are remaining in Ukraine as a result of caring responsibilities. (22444)
- 67N **Rob Roberts** (Delyn): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what progress she has made on recruiting new police officers; and what the breakdown of operational officer numbers was for each of the past seven years in (a) the UK and (b) North Wales. (22578)
- 68N Zarah Sultana (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking in response to the finding by BBC Radio 4's File on 4 programme that an estimated 13,000 children have been strip-searched by police since 2017; what assessment she has made of the appropriateness of the use of strip-searching by police; and if her Department will undertake a review of strip-searches of children by police. (22570)
- 69N Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has been made of the potential impact on security of converting Military Provost Guard Service positions at Leuchars base to civilian posts. (22546)
- 70N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the Ukrainian Government has accepted the Prime Minister's offer for the UK to train up to 10,000 Ukrainian troops every 120 days. (22344)
- 71N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether NATO allied countries have agreed to help meet the Prime Minister's commitment to train 10,000 Ukrainian troops every 120 days. (22345)
- 72N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has held discussions with his counterparts in NATO-allied countries on the possibility of cooperating on the training of up to 10,000 Ukrainian troops every 120 days.

- 73N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference the Prime Minister's offer to train 10,000 Ukrainian troops every 120 days, 20 June 2022, Official Report column 555, where those troops will be trained.
- 74N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many War Pensioner's Mobility Supplement claims were (a) submitted, (b) accepted and (c) rejected in the last year for which data is available. (22497)
- 75N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the average wait time is for a response to a War Pensioner's Mobility Supplement application. (22498)
- 76N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many appeals against a decision on a War Pensioner's Mobility Supplement application have been made in the last year for which data is available. (22499)
- 77N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the average length of time is from start to finish for appeals against a decision on a War Pensioner's Mobility Supplement application. (22500)
- 78N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department is (a) taking steps and (b) plans to take steps to make it easier for people to apply for a War Pensioner's Mobility Supplement. (22501)
- 79N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an assessment of his Department's compliance with the Protocol between the Lord Chancellor (on behalf of the Government) and the Law Commission, HC 499, published on 29 March 2010, in the context of the average time taken by the Government to respond to Law Commission reports in the last five years. (22421)
- 80N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Protocol on the Law Commission, for what reason he has not published a response to the Law Commission report entitled Hate crime laws: Final report, HC 942, within six months of it's publication. (22422)
- 81N **Rob Roberts** (Delyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average time taken for a person charged with knife possession to have their first appearance before a magistrate is; and what that average length of time was in each of the last five years. (22579)
- 82N **Derek Twigg** (Halton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, with reference to the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) guidance on the Full Code Test within the document entitled The Code for Crown Prosecutors, published on 26 October 2018, whether the CPS applies the same survival rate threshold when making charging decisions for people who are trained or licensed (a) doctors, (b) nurses and (c) other medical practitioners.

- 83N **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Prime Minister, what progress has been made on the sale of Chelsea Football Club; and whether the Government will consult on that sale with (a) Ukrainian and (b) other international civil society groups.

  (22523)
- 84N **Mr Richard Holden** (North West Durham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many and what proportion of properties are in Council Tax bands A to D in each (a) local authority and (b) constituency as of 21 June 2022. (22581)
- 85N Rachel Reeves (Leeds West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference Draft legislation: Energy (Oil and Gas) Profits Levy Bill published on 21 June 2022 by his Department, what his timescale is for publishing a Tax Information and Impact Note for the Energy Profits Levy. (22407)

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

- 1 **John Penrose** (Weston-super-Mare): What steps his Department is taking to increase housebuilding through densification of urban areas using local authority-approved building codes that pre-approve buildings. (900712)
- 2 **Robbie Moore** (Keighley): What progress his Department has made on promoting responsible development on brownfield sites. (900713)
- 3 **Kate Hollern** (Blackburn): If he will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring Government departments to report annually on the impact of spatial disparities across the UK on targeted outcomes. (900714)
- 4 **Dr Jamie Wallis** (Bridgend): What recent discussions he has had with representatives of local and devolved government in Scotland and Wales on the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. (900715)
- Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): If he will impose a legally binding deadline for remediation works on tower blocks in England that are deemed unsafe as a result of (a) cladding and (b) other associated fire risks. (900716)
- 6 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): What support his Department is providing to deliver housing regeneration in former industrial areas. (900717)
- 7 **Robin Millar** (Aberconwy): What recent discussions he has had with representatives of local and devolved government in Scotland and Wales on the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. (900718)
- 8 **Nicola Richards** (West Bromwich East): What recent steps he has taken to help improve the management of local authorities. (900719)
- 9 **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): What assessment he has made of the impact of the allocation of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund on real-term funding levels for communities. (900720)

- 10 Sarah Green (Chesham and Amersham): What recent assessment he has made of the suitability of his Department's standard method for calculating housing need.

  (900721)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): What steps he is taking to increase the number of social homes built each year. (900722)
- Michael Fabricant (Lichfield): Whether he has had discussions with the Mayor of the West Midlands on steps his Department is taking to help rough sleepers into long-term accommodation. (900723)
- **Craig Tracey** (North Warwickshire): What progress his Department has made on improving the safety of residential buildings. (900724)
- **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on improving the digital connectivity of the hardest-to-reach premises as referenced in the Levelling Up White Paper. (900725)
- **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): What recent assessment he has made of the impartiality of criteria used to award levelling up funds. (900726)
- **Philip Dunne** (Ludlow): What steps his Department is taking to help ensure that the development of homes and commercial buildings does not overload existing water treatment infrastructure. (900727)
- **Mohammad Yasin** (Bedford): What steps he is taking to support first-time buyers onto the housing ladder. (900728)
- **Matt Western** (Warwick and Leamington): What legislative steps he is taking to progress leasehold reform. (900729)
- **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): What steps he is taking to support commercial tenants for the purposes of transforming town centres. (900730)
- **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): What progress his Department has made on supporting garden communities. (900731)
- 21 James Grundy (Leigh): What assessment he has made of the potential impact on local communities of the projects funded through the latest tranche of awards from the (a) Levelling Up Fund and (b) Community Ownership Fund. (900732)
- **Carol Monaghan** (Glasgow North West): What recent assessment he has made of the potential effect of the levelling up agenda on the cost of living. (900733)
- **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): What recent discussions he has had with elected members in the devolved Administrations on the (a) equity and (b) transparency of the (i) Levelling Up Fund and (ii) UK Shared Prosperity Fund. (900734)
- **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): What progress he has made on reforming the planning system. (900735)

25 Sara Britcliffe (Hyndburn): What assessment he has made of the potential impact on local communities of the projects funded through the latest tranche of awards from the (a) Levelling Up Fund and (b) Community Ownership Fund. (900736)

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

T1	<b>Dr Alan Whitehead</b> (Southampton, Test): If he will make a statement on his departmental responsibilities.	(900737)
T2	Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton):	(900738)
Т3	Peter Aldous (Waveney):	(900739)
T4	John McNally (Falkirk):	(900740)
T5	Fleur Anderson (Putney):	(900741)
Т6	Sarah Atherton (Wrexham):	(900742)
T7	Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle):	(900743)
T8	Ronnie Cowan (Inverclyde):	(900744)
Т9	Gareth Bacon (Orpington):	(900745)
T10	Martin Vickers (Cleethorpes):	(900746)

## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 28 June

- 1N Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he (a) is taking and (b) plans to take steps to help ensure that councils provide access to bus services for isolated communities in North Shropshire constituency. (22612)
- 2N **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to reduce wait times for diagnostic scans. (22533)

### Questions for Answer on Wednesday 29 June

### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N Yasmin Qureshi (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what support his Department is providing to NHS Trusts to (a) reduce poor outcomes for people with a learning disability during extended waits for care and (b) take steps to mitigate those outcomes. (22390)
- 2N Yasmin Qureshi (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to take steps to (a) ensure that the Minimum Income Guarantee will be considered for uprating for 2023-24 and (b) hold discussions with Cabinet on assessing the potential merits of that uprating as part future welfare payments uprating. colleagues to ensure that it is considered for uprating alongside other welfare payments. (22391)
- 3N **Crispin Blunt** (Reigate): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, whether the UK will participate as an observer nation at the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons first meeting of state parties; and if will she make a statement. [Transferred] (20206)

### **Oral Questions to the Secretary of State for Scotland**

- Tom Randall (Gedling): What steps the Government is taking to help support Scotland's shipbuilding sector. (900697)
- Fleur Anderson (Putney): What recent steps he has taken with the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy to support carbon capture and storage in Scotland. (900698)
- 3 Angela Crawley (Lanark and Hamilton East): If he will make an assessment of the impact of the Union on Scotland. (900699)
- 4 **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on improving Union connectivity. (900700)
- 5 Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential economic impact of building two freeports in Scotland. (900701)
- 6 **Stuart Anderson** (Wolverhampton South West): What recent assessment his Department has made of public satisfaction with public services in Scotland. (900702)
- 7 **Chris Elmore** (Ogmore): What recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Transport on the effect of High Speed Rail 2 on Scotland. (900703)
- 8 Carol Monaghan (Glasgow North West): If he will make an assessment of the effect on Scotland of the state of democracy in the UK. (900704)

- 9 Jane Stevenson (Wolverhampton North East): What steps the Government is taking to help support Scotland's shipbuilding sector. (900705)
- 10 Matt Vickers (Stockton South): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on improving Union connectivity. (900706)
- Janet Daby (Lewisham East): What recent steps his Department has taken to help support the Scottish economy. (900707)
- 12 **John Stevenson** (Carlisle): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on improving Union connectivity. (900708)
- 13 Mr Philip Hollobone (Kettering): If he will have discussions with the (a) Chancellor of the Exchequer and (b) Scottish Government on the impact of the outbreak of covid-19 on fiscal deficits in (i) the UK and (ii) Scotland. (900709)
- 14 **Jerome Mayhew** (Broadland): What recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of allowing gene editing in Scotland. (900710)
- 15 **John McNally** (Falkirk): If he will make an assessment of the effect on Scotland of the state of democracy in the UK. (900711)

## Questions for Answer on Thursday 30 June

- 1N Yasmin Qureshi (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the additional payments towards the cost of living announced by the Chancellor of the Exchequer on 26 May 2022, whether those payments are treated as income for the purposes of social care charges under the Care Act 2014.
- 2N **Yasmin Qureshi** (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his timeline is for publishing the cross-Government action plan on implementing the Building the right support national plan. (22393)