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Questions tabled on Friday 2 December 2022

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Questions for Answer on Monday 5 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Anthony Mangnall** (Totnes): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will take steps to help the hospitality industry to tackle shortages in the workforce. [Transferred] (101067)
- 2 **Alison McGovern** (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of employment (a) legislation and (b) guidance in ensuring that employees on zero-hour contracts receive sufficient notice of their shift hours. [Transferred] (100957)
- 3 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions he has had with OFCOM on the delivery of the universal postal service minimum requirement obligations by the Royal Mail. [Transferred] (101074)
- 4 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the impact of online (a) scams and (b) fraud on vulnerable adults in the last 12 months. [Transferred] (100895)
- 5 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for what reasons the additional tax deduction for research and development costs for small and medium enterprises will be cut from 130 to 86 per cent. [Transferred] (101036)

- 6 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the impact of the additional tax deduction for R&D costs for small and medium-enterprises on those organisation's ability to (a) recruit and retain staff and (b) maintain technological equipment.

[Transferred] (101037)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 6 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what plans the Government has to strengthen counter-fraud measures for public procurement. (101777)
- 2 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the Ninth Report of Session 2021-22 of the Public Accounts Committee entitled Fraud and Error, HC 253, published on 30 June 2021, if he will take steps to implement the recommendation on introducing a presumption that the business beneficiaries of Government support schemes will be published. (101778)
- 3 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Government will publish its complete response to the Sir Robert Francis KC Infected Blood Compensation Study before Christmas this year. (101806)
- 4 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what estimate his Department has made of the number of people who get their energy supply through a pre-payment metre who have not received the first instalment of the energy voucher. (101746)
- 5N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Answer of 4 November 2021 to Question 67078 on Future Fund, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the British Business Bank's performance on its objectives of (a) identifying and (b) reducing imbalances in access to finance for small businesses in Northern Ireland. [Transferred] (100899)
- 6 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of immediately making Energy Support Payments for electric bills in Northern Ireland while developing a cashback option in parallel. (101813)
- 7 **Gill Furniss** (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps is he taking to address energy companies that are failing to deliver Energy Bills Support Scheme vouchers to traditional prepayment meter customers in a timely manner. (101764)

- 8N **Andrew Gwynne** (Denton and Reddish): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what information his Department holds on which wards in Denton and Reddish constituency have the highest number of homes with retrofitting measures installed. [Transferred] (100911)
- 9 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions his Department has had with the Department for Health and Social Care on the impact on care homes who are unable to get added to the priority list for power recovery during a power cut or qualify for a permanent supply line. (101757)
- 10 **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many SMEs in Batley and Spen constituency have received Government funding for support in 2022. (101820)
- 11 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 29 November to Question 92302 on Postal Services: Fees and Charges, what assessment he has made of the (a) 46 per cent price increase of 1st class letter stamps since 2017; and (b) affordability of these services. (101761)
- 12 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 29 November to Question 92301 on Postal Services: Standards, what assessment he has made of the implications for customers of Ofcom's decision to retain the Christmas exemption period. (101762)
- 13 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 29 November to Question 92300 on Postal Services: Standards, if he will outline the process required to change the statutory minimum requirements of the universal postal service, set out in the Postal Services Act 2011. (101763)
- 14 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many primary schools in England employ a (a) play or (b) creative arts therapist. (101784)
- 15 **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessments her Department has made regarding the adequacy of skills training opportunities in the local labour market to support the Sizewell C nuclear power plant project. (101795)
- 16 **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to paragraph 5.64 of the Autumn Statement, whether Sir Michael Barber has been asked to provide an assessment of the adequacy of funding for further education colleges. (101799)

- 17 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many times (a) Ministers and (b) officials from her Department met representatives of the (i) National Education Union, (ii) NASUWT, (iii) Association of School and College Leaders and (iv) National Association of Head Teachers since 25 October 2022. (101800)
- 18 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if his Department will take steps to prevent the (a) replacement and (b) upgrade of incineration plants in England. (101699)
- 19 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department has made an estimate of the number of canine fertility clinics operating in the UK. (101807)
- 20 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has had recent discussions with the (a) RSPCA, (b) British Veterinary Association, (c) Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons on regulating canine fertility clinics. (101808)
- 21 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of the regulation of canine fertility clinics. (101809)
- 22 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of implementing a national surveillance programme of the spread of antibiotic (a) resistance and (b) residues from farms into the environment. (101810)
- 23 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of updating regulations under existing legislation to regulate use of antibiotics on farms. (101811)
- 24 **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department is taking steps to restore a full two-track junction at Haughley Junction in Suffolk. (101796)
- 25 **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce the (a) frequency and (b) disruption to service from weekend engineering works on rail services from London to Ipswich. (101797)
- 26 **Tom Hunt** (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department is taking steps to support local authorities in reducing traffic congestion in town centres. (101798)
- 27 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his department is taking to make sure that the noise impacts of airports are appropriately assessed and action taken. (101754)

- 28 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made an assessment on the variation in railway passenger numbers on different weekdays; and if he will make it his Department's policy to mandate train companies to introduce different timetable with more capacity on the days with more passengers. (101755)
- 29 **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the agreed capacity of the Wind and Marine Energy Team within HSE's Energy division was in 2018. (101740)
- 30 **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the current agreed capacity of the Wind and Marine Energy Team is within HSE's Energy division; and how many of these roles are filled as of November 2022. (101741)
- 31 **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether the HSE has plans to increase the agreed capacity of the Wind and Marine Energy Team within HSE's Energy division. (101742)
- 32 **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many offshore incidents met HSE's Incident Selection Criteria in the first six months of 2022. (101743)
- 33 **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of offshore incidents (a) met HSE's Incident Selection Criteria and (b) were investigated by HSE in the first six months of 2022. (101744)
- 34 **Kirsty Blackman** (Aberdeen North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many dangerous occurrences offshore were reported to HSE in the first six months of 2022. (101745)
- 35 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when he will formally respond to the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman's 2021 report into the impact of State Pension Age equalisation on women. (101812)
- 36 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of calculating child maintenance payments using income net of tax. (101751)
- 37N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have left the Individual Placement and Support programme as a result of finding employment in the last 12 months. [Transferred] (100969)
- 38 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of access to 24/7 palliative care telephone advice lines for people with a terminal illness and their carers. (101785)

- 39 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he will take to monitor the consistency of the implementation of national standards for healthcare food and drink in healthcare settings in England. (101786)
- 40 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how will the new national standard for healthcare food and drink that relates to 24/7 food service provision, be monitored by NHS England. (101787)
- 41 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will report on progress of the National standards for healthcare food and drink being published on a quarterly basis. (101788)
- 42 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will commission a national survey on junior doctor welfare including the provision of catering for on call staff. (101789)
- 43 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department intends to publish a Sickle Cell Action Plan. (101792)
- 44 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to mitigate the impact of the rising cost of living on people with chronic conditions such as sickle cell disease. (101793)
- 45 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of a temporary suspension of NHS prescription charges for patients with sickle cell disease for (a) patients, (b) the NHS, and (c) the economy in light of the rising cost of living. (101794)
- 46 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will provide updated timings for the publication of the 10 Year Cancer Plan; and what measures that plan will include on pancreatic cancer. (101752)
- 47 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will meet Pancreatic Cancer UK. (101753)
- 48 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the impact on cancer patients of the Thames Valley of Rutherford Health Group going into liquidation; and if he will take steps to reopen the Rutherford Cancer Centres. (101756)
- 49 **Ian Lavery** (Wansbeck): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to (a) develop test infrastructure and (b) recruit testing staff to test patients for Alzheimer's disease to allow early diagnosis and treatment with Lecanemab. (101727)
- 50 **Naz Shah** (Bradford West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps when setting the criteria for selecting the final eight schemes for the New Hospitals to promote the Government's levelling up agenda. (101750)

- 51 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he plans to take to implement the Global Biodiversity Framework. (101707)
- 52 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to publish the independent review into the police management of registered sex offenders. (101733)
- 53 **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many detainees died while detained at each immigration removal centre annually from 2015 to 2022. (101779)
- 54 **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make a comparative assessment of the relationship between increased bed spaces in an immigration removal centre and prevalence of code red incidents. (101780)
- 55 **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many bed spaces were available at each immigration removal centre in each year since 2015. (101782)
- 56 **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will publish data on the distance individuals are moved across the UK from their place of residence in the community to an immigration removal centre. (101783)
- 57 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent assessment his Department has made of the performance of Pinnacle Service Families: and if he will seek the views of servicemen and women and their families at RAF Odiham. (101758)
- 58 **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate he has made of the number of offenders granted (a) early release, (b) temporary license and (c) home detention curfew over Christmas in each year since 2020. (101737)
- 59 **Ellie Reeves** (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 21 November 2022 to Question 88985 on Prisoner Escapes, what offences are categorised as miscellaneous crimes against society; and why one offence is listed as unknown. (101765)
- 60 **Ellie Reeves** (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to Question 88987 on 21 November 2022, how many learners have been in the classroom each year since 2010. (101766)
- 61 **Ellie Reeves** (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to Question 88987 on 21 November 2022, what the annual average prisoner's level of (a) numeracy, (b) literacy, (c) skills and qualification has been since 2010. (101767)

- 62 **Ellie Reeves** (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 21 November 2022 to Question 88987 on Prisons: Rehabilitation, how many prisoners completed an accredited programme in prison each year since 2010. (101768)
- 63 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 1 December to Question 94867, how many (a) schools or (b) education trusts have received any demands for backdated VAT for each of the past five years. (101790)
- 64 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 1 December to Question 94867 VAT: Repayments, what systems are in place to identify patterns of non-compliance with VAT regulations by different sectors. (101791)
- 65 **Alison McGovern** (Wirral South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the Government plans to help support those people affected by the collapse of the Safe Hand Funeral plan group. (101719)
- 66 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the report by the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Environmental, Social, and Governance entitled The UK Green Taxonomy, published in November 2022, if he will take steps to publish a consultation on the UK Green Taxonomy. (101814)
- 67 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the report entitled the UK Green Taxonomy, published by the APPG on Environmental, Social, and Governance, if he will make it his priority to develop the UK Green Taxonomy. (101815)
- 68 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the report entitled the UK Green Taxonomy, published by the APPG on Environmental, Social, and Governance, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs on the potential impact of developing a UK Green Taxonomy on steps being taken by other nations to implement similar frameworks. (101816)
- 69 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the report on the UK Green Taxonomy published by the APPG on Environmental, Social, and Governance on 1 December 2022, what plans his Department has to publish a first set of Technical Screening Criteria for the UK Green Taxonomy. (101817)
- 70 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will hold discussions with the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy on the extent to which UK companies' activities will be aligned to the UK Green Taxonomy as set out in the White Paper on Greening Finance published on 18 October 2021. (101818)

- 71 **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how the UK Green Taxonomy will operate with other countries' green taxonomies; and if he will take steps with his international counterparts to implement internationally interoperable green taxonomies. (101819)
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Questions for Answer on Wednesday 7 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what estimate he has made of the level of potential fraud in Coronavirus loan support schemes; and if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of anti-fraud safeguards that were in place. (101773)
- 2N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans the Government has to provide further transparency over which companies received Coronavirus support loans; and if he will make a statement. (101774)
- 3N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what plans the Government has to recover coronavirus support loans that were fraudulently obtained; and if he will make a statement. (101775)
- 4N **Dame Angela Eagle** (Wallasey): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Education on improving skills training in Wallasey constituency. (101698)
- 5N **Dame Angela Eagle** (Wallasey): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Government's Ten Point Plan for a Green Industrial Revolution published on 18 November 2020, how many jobs have been created in Wallasey constituency as a result of the implementation of that plan. (101699)
- 6N **Dame Angela Eagle** (Wallasey): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he plans to increase funding for renewable energy sources in Wallasey constituency. (101700)
- 7N **Dame Angela Eagle** (Wallasey): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that small and medium-sized enterprises on Wallasey constituency are receiving the correct level of support from the Energy Bill Relief Scheme. (101701)
- 8N **Dame Angela Eagle** (Wallasey): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, which wards in Wallasey constituency have had external wall insulation fitted. (101702)

- 9N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an estimate of the number of homes there are in Sefton Central constituency as of 2 December 2022; and if he will make an estimate of how many and what proportion of those homes require external wall insulation. (101714)
- 10N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much grant funding the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme has provided to public sector bodies in Sefton Central constituency since the establishment of that scheme. (101715)
- 11N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much funding has the Government spent on the Green Homes Grant scheme as 1 December 2022. (101716)
- 12N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many homes have had energy efficiency measures installed as a result of the Green Homes Grant scheme. (101717)
- 13N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many applications to the Green Homes Grant scheme were (a) submitted and (b) successful as of 1 December 2022. (101718)
- 14N **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many small and medium-sized enterprises in Washington and Sunderland West constituency received Government funding for support during the cost of living crisis in 2022. (101704)
- 15N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much of the additional funding allocated to the Eco+ scheme announced on 28 November will be allocated to Wales. (101770)
- 16N **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 1 December 2022 to Question 97527 on Research: Investment, what assessment he has made of the impact of not having regional data on funding for science. (101725)
- 17N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to help ensure educational psychologists' pay is increased in line with inflation; what steps her Department is taking to help ensure local councils recruit and retain sufficient numbers of educational psychologists to support children with special educational needs and disabilities; and if she will take steps to help ensure that the pay of public sector jobs relating to her Department's remit is increased in line with inflation. (101805)
- 18N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, why she has decided to close the Adoption and Special Guardianship Leadership Board. (101801)

- 19N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Retained EU Law Bill, whether she plans to (a) replace, (b) revoke or (c) retain the Invasive Alien Species (Enforcement and Permitting) Order (2019). (101722)
- 20N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Retained EU Law Bill, whether she plans to (a) replace, (b) revoke or (c) retain the Bathing Waters Regulations 2013. (101723)
- 21N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Retained EU Law Bill, whether plans he plans to (a) replace, (b) revoke or (c) retain the Civil Aviation (Denied Boarding, Compensation and Assistance) Regulations 2005. (101724)
- 22N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the Treasury is required to sign off a pay award for Network Rail employees. (101708)
- 23N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the Treasury is required to sign off a pay award for Train Operating Company employees. (101709)
- 24N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether consent from HM Treasury is required before a pay offer can be made to employees of (a) Network Rail and (b) Train Operating Companies. (101710)
- 25N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, which his Department has the final sign off for a pay award for employees of (a) Network Rail and (b) Train Operating Companies. (101711)
- 26N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with the Chancellor for the Exchequer on a pay award for employees of (a) Network Rail and (b) Train Operating Companies. (101712)
- 27N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an estimate of the number and proportion of private electric vehicle charging points that are accessible through peer-to-peer charging as of 2 December 2022; and if he will take steps to (a) incentivise and (b) increase the accessibility of peer-to-peer electric vehicle charging. (101803)
- 28N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many applications for Hardship Payments for Universal Credit were (a) received and (b) approved in each of the last five years. (101728)
- 29N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of trends in the level of the disability employment gap; and what steps he will take to reduce that gap. (101729)

- 30N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much his Department has spent on the Individual Placement and Support programme in each of the last five calendar years. (101730)
- 31N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people have left the Work and Health programme as a result of finding employment in the last 12 months. (101731)
- 32N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much his Department has spent on the Work and Health programme in each of the last five calendar years. (101732)
- 33N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what comparative assessment he has made of employers complying with their obligation to make reasonable adjustments for disabled people in the (a) public and (b) private sectors. (101772)
- 34N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Retained EU Law Bill, whether he plans to (a) replace, (b) revoke or (c) retain the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006. (101720)
- 35N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Retained EU Law Bill, whether he plans to (a) replace, (b) revoke or (c) retain the Working Time Regulations 1998. (101721)
- 36N **Mary Glendon** (North Tyneside): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 1 December to Question 96602 on Cost of Living Payments and Universal Credit, if he will take steps to collate the cost of living payment and Universal Credit payments so that claimants avoid benefit overlap which would require them to reapply for Universal Credit. (101726)
- 37N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 2 November 2022 to Question 72201 on Universal Credit: Veterans, how many Universal Credit claimants have been identified as (a) serving and (b) having previously served in the Armed Forces for the assessment periods ending in October 2022. (101692)
- 38N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of restrictions on transfers from public sector pension schemes to defined contribution schemes. (101769)
- 39N **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many complaints submitted to the DWP Independent Case Examiner are awaiting allocation to an Investigation Case Manager as of 2 December 2022; what the average wait time was for complaints to be allocated to an Independent Case Manager in the latest period for which data is available; and what steps his Department is taking to reduce Independent Case Examiner waiting times. (101705)

- 40N **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the decision not to uprate Local Housing Allowance in line with September 2022 CPI inflation on the proportion of homes available to rent in Wales in respect of which the requested rent would be fully covered by LHA rates in the next twelve months. (101703)
- 41N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 25 November 2022 to Question 93720 on Prescription Drugs, how many Standard Medicines Reviews were offered to (a) GP practices and (b) pharmacies in the last 12 months for which data are available; how many were accepted; and for what reason no specific estimate of the annual savings has been made. (101688)
- 42N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 28 November 2022 to Question 94680 on Dementia, what his planned timetable is for the announcement of the appointment of the Chair; and what estimate he has made of when the Chair will begin work. (101689)
- 43N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 30 November 2022 to Question 96551 on Stevens-Johnson Syndrome and the oral contribution by the then-Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Life Sciences, Official Report, 13 July 2016, column 135WH, for what reason the information which enabled the then Parliamentary Under Secretary of State to state that Stevens-Johnson Syndrome affects about 150 patients a year is no longer available; from where such information can now be obtained; and for what reason the MHRA has not shared with the Minister the information given by its vigilance and risk management team on 4 August 2021 in response to FOI request 21/798 on the number of reports of Stevens-Johnson Syndrome in relation to covid-19 up to 14 July 2021. (101687)
- 44N **Nick Smith** (Blaenau Gwent): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant the Answer 15 November 2022 to Question 83599 on NHS: Protective Clothing, when he plans to publish details of legal fees for disputed contracts. (101706)
- 45N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the policy paper entitled Statement on freedom of religion or belief and gender equality, published on 7 July 2022, for what reason references to (a) sexual and reproductive health and rights and (b) bodily autonomy were removed from the original Statement; and if he will reinstate the original version of that Statement. (101802)
- 46N **Zarah Sultana** (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to respond to the United Nation's call for the international community to take immediate and effective steps to protect and sustain the six Palestinian civil society groups that were designated as terrorist organisations by the Government of Israel in

October 2021; and if he will (a) make representations to the Israeli authorities to rescind this designation, (b) condemn the steps taken by Israeli forces on these organisations, and (c) review the UK's bilateral relations with Israel. (101804)

47N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what plans the Government has to increase funding for organisations tackling economic crime including (a) fraud, (b) money laundering and (c) corruption. (101776)

48N **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she will respond to the correspondence sent of 21 September and 24 October 2022 from the hon. Member for Glasgow East, reference DL11420. (101771)

49N **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department made of the potential for expanding alternatives to detention, including increasing local immigration casework capacities, prior to planning for the reopening of Campsfield House. (101781)

50N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to 1 November 2022 to Question 69500 on HMS Prince of Wales: Repairs and Maintenance, whether the timetables for repairs of HMS Prince of Wales have been determined; and on what date he expects the work to repair the carrier will be completed. (101693)

51N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 28 November to Question 94678, if he will make it his policy to prevent courts in England issuing arrest warrants for non-payment of fines for television licence fee offences. (101690)

52N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate has he made of the cost to the public purse on Christmas decorations in (a) Category A, (b) Category B and (c) all other prisons in each of the last three years. (101734)

53N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of Christmas decorations in (a) all, (b) Category A and (c) Category B prisons in 2022. (101735)

54N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an estimate of the number of offenders who will be granted (a) early release, (b) temporary license and (c) home detention curfew by each offence committed by those offenders at Christmas in 2022. (101736)

55N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what estimate he has made of inmates who have been (a) released in error and (b) escaped prison in the month of December in each year since 2018. (101738)

- 56N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 18 November 2022 to Question 87949 on Prison and Probation Service: Sick Leave, if he will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of working days lost as a result of work-related stress in 2022. (101739)
- 57N **Rachel Reeves** (Leeds West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many people worked for the Taxpayer Protection Taskforce in each month between April 2021 and December 2022. (101713)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 8 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **John Cryer** (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what the (a) nature and (b) value was of all contracts, consultancies or other services placed with the accountancy firms (i) Deloitte & Touche, (ii) Ernst & Young, (iii) KPMG and (iv) PricewaterhouseCoopers in each year since 2010-11 by the Department, including predecessor Departments and its agencies. (101390)
- 2N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what information his Department holds on the number of energy vouchers issued by energy providers for people who get their energy via pre-payment meters. (101747)
- 3N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps has his Department taken to help ensure that people who get their energy supply through a pre-payment meter receive the first instalment of the energy voucher. (101748)
- 4N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions his officials have had with OVO on the time it has taken to issue Energy Bills Support Scheme support to individuals who receive their energy supply via pre payment metres. (101749)
- 5N **Mary Kelly Foy** (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what plans are in place to house Ukrainian refugees who arrived in the UK on the Homes for Ukraine scheme but whose sponsors are no longer able to house them. [Transferred] (101066)
- 6N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 30 November to Question 96552, if he will place a copy of the relevant chemical guidance in the Library. (101691)
- 7N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people have been in receipt of asylum support for more than one year in each of the last five calendar years. (101694)

- 8N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people are projected to be in receipt of asylum support for more than one year in financial years (a) 2022-23, (b) 2023-24, and (c) 2024-25. (101695)
- 9N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much funding has been allocated by (a) her Department and (b) FCDO in departmental budgets for financial year 2022-23 to cover support costs for people in receipt of asylum support. (101696)
- 10N **Yvette Cooper** (Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much funding has been allocated by (a) her Department and (b) FCDO in departmental budgets for financial year 2022-23 to cover support costs for people in receipt of asylum support for more than one year. (101697)
- 11N **John Cryer** (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the (a) nature and (b) value was of all contracts, consultancies or other services placed with the accountancy firms (i) Deloitte & Touche, (ii) Ernst & Young, (iii) KPMG and (iv) PricewaterhouseCoopers in each year since 2010-11 by the Department, including predecessor Departments and its agencies. (101686)
- 12N **John Cryer** (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the (a) nature and (b) value was of all contracts, consultancies or other services placed with the accountancy firms (i) Deloitte & Touche, (ii) Ernst & Young, (iii) KPMG and (iv) PricewaterhouseCoopers in each year since 2010-11 by the Department, including predecessor Departments and its agencies. (101685)

Questions for Answer on Friday 9 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of extending the State Pension to people of working age with a terminal diagnosis. (101760)
- 2N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps is she taking to support those fleeing domestic abuse in the context of the cost-of-living crisis. (101759)