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Questions tabled on Friday 9 December 2022

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Questions for Answer on Monday 12 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has further plans to commemorate the life of Queen Elizabeth II.
[Transferred] (106335)
- 2 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential risk to (a) businesses and (b) investors of the revocation or amendment of retained EU law under the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill.
[Transferred] (106477)
- 3 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to prevent energy black outs in York Central constituency; and what contingency measures are in place should blackouts occur.
[Transferred] (106501)
- 4 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department has taken since the Women's Health Strategy to ensure that girls and boys receive high quality, evidence based education from an early age on (a) fertility, (b) contraception and (c) pregnancy planning, maternity care and pregnancy loss.
[Transferred] (106555)
- 5N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what estimate she has made of when the inquiry into whether UK components have been used in Russian weapons systems in Ukraine will conclude; and if she will make a statement.
[Transferred] (105237)

- 6N **Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of reports that women are struggling to access HRT despite medical bodies reporting no supply issues. [Transferred] (104415)
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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 13 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Attorney General, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of changing laws governing estate administration to allow caveats to be put in place which can stop indefinitely (a) a grant of probate or (b) letters of administration from being issued. (107186)
- 2N **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department is taking steps to help ensure that the Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities are fully represented in the Government's UK covid-19 public inquiry. [Transferred] (106546)
- 3 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to his department's publication of spending over £500 by government procurement card for the month of November 2021, for what purpose his department paid £746.39 to Windsor Wellness Centre on 8 November 2021. (107062)
- 4 **Rosie Duffield** (Canterbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential ecological impacts of the Space Based Solar Power Innovation Competition. (107126)
- 5 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent discussions he has had with representatives of Royal Mail on its future business strategy. (107155)
- 6 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of a formal partnership between Royal Mail and other public services to help people isolated in communities. (107156)
- 7 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps she is taking to encourage businesses in the food sector to play a greater role helping to alleviate food poverty. (107171)
- 8 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps she is taking with supermarkets to help address food poverty. (107172)

- 9 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to encourage the installation of localised carbon capture and storage equipment at (a) waste incinerators and (b) other carbon-dioxide emitting plants. (107148)
- 10 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of localised carbon capture at carbon-dioxide emitting facilities such as waste incineration and biogas plants for the UK's industrial requirements for carbon dioxide. (107149)
- 11 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he expects to publish the UK Measurement Strategy. (107219)
- 12 **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, if she will take steps to include specific provisions to tackle violence against women and girls in the Online Safety Bill. (107142)
- 13 **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, whether controlling and coercive behaviour will be listed as one of the priority offences under Schedule 7 of the Online Safety Bill. (107143)
- 14 **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, how domestic abuse victims will be adequately protected through the Online Safety Bill. (107144)
- 15N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to improve average download speeds in the Easington constituency; and whether she will take steps to increase download speeds in Easington constituency to the (a) North East and (b) UK average. (107116)
- 16 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to her Department's publication of spending over £500 with an electronic purchasing card, for the accommodation of which individuals was (a) £1,688.99 paid to Meruorah Komodo on 8 July 2022, and (b) £3,426.84 paid to TheMulia.Com on 24-25 August 2022; and what was the purpose of each of those visits. (107075)
- 17 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to her Department's publication of spending over £500 with an electronic purchasing card for May 2022, for the accommodation of which individuals was £1,193.42 paid to the Hilton Back Bay Boston on 19 May 2022, and what was the purpose of that visit. (107076)
- 18 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what their Department spent in 2021 on purchasing goods and services with a value of less than £500 on a government procurement card. (107078)

- 19 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to her Department's publication of spending over £500 with an electronic purchasing card for September 2022, what item her Department purchased from Click Netherfield Ltd. on 1 September 2021, and for what purpose that item is used by her Department. (107083)
- 20 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, pursuant to the Answer of 23 November 2022 to Question 87999, if he will provide a breakdown listing (a) the 15 sports that received loans and (b) the total number of loans allocated to each. (107201)
- 21 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 9 December 2022 to Question 104371, whether he plans to continuing funding after September 2023. (107141)
- 22 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, which five teams in their Department have the highest number of staffing vacancies as a proportion of total staff as of 8 December 2022; and what proportion of roles were vacant in each of those teams. (107121)
- 23 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to her Department's publication of spending over £500 with an electronic purchasing card for April 2022, what items of filming equipment were purchased from (a) SLRHut on 31 March, (b) Photospecialist on 31 March, (c) EssentialPhoto on 1 April, (d) Western Digital (UK) on 4 April, (e) Amazon Marketplace on 7 April, and (f) DJI on 26 April, and for what purpose is each item used by her Department. (107068)
- 24 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to her Department's publication of spending over £500 with an electronic purchasing card for May 2022, (a) for what purpose does her Department's Higher Education and Further Education directorate require the subscription to Riddle.Com purchased on 6 May 2022, and (b) how many of the quizzes produced using that website since 6 May 2022 have been targeted at (i) internal and (ii) external audiences. (107072)
- 25 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what her Department spent in 2021 on purchasing goods and services with a value of less than £500 on a government procurement card. (107080)
- 26 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has made a recent estimate of the probability of ailing to achieve food security. (107161)
- 27 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an assessment of the impact of food insecurity on the cost of food. (107162)

- 28 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she is taking steps to promote community food growing projects. (107164)
- 29 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an assessment of the potential benefits of grants to encourage community food projects. (107166)
- 30 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she is taking to help ensure that people in food poverty have a healthy and balanced diet. (107168)
- 31 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she is taking to promote food growing cooperatives. (107169)
- 32N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if he will bring forward legislative proposals to prohibit dividend payments by water companies that do not meet Ofwat performance delivery targets. [Transferred] (106360)
- 33 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what their Department spent in 2021 on purchasing goods and services with a value of less than £500 on a government procurement card. (107077)
- 34 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps her department is taking to increase the transparency of export costs. (107059)
- 35 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps her department is taking to increase export opportunities for businesses in (a) Preston, (b) in the North West region and (c) England. (107060)
- 36 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps she is taking to increase trade with European countries. (107063)
- 37 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester, Withington): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, if he will list the projects Mozambique UK Export Finance (a) is considering for support or (b) has been asked to consider for support in the future, broken down by (i) location and (ii) aims. (107127)
- 38 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what their Department spent in 2021 on purchasing goods and services with a value of less than £500 on a government procurement card. (107079)

- 39 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, which five teams in their Department have the highest number of staffing vacancies as a proportion of total staff as of 8 December 2022; and what proportion of roles were vacant in each of those teams. (107123)
- 40 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what plans he has to support disability employment within the Northern Ireland Investment Plan for the Shared Prosperity Fund. (107211)
- 41 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will set out the timescale for the (a) start and (b) finish of the competition for economic inactivity support under the People and Skills strand of the Northern Ireland Investment Plan for the Shared Prosperity Fund. (107213)
- 42 **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Whole Housing Approach pilot, which was funded by the Department from 2018 – March 2021. (107145)
- 43 **James Wild** (North West Norfolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the white paper entitled A fairer private rented sector, published on 16 June 2022, what recent progress his Department has made on establishing a single Government-approved ombudsman covering all private landlords who rent out property in England. (107210)
- 44 **Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will set out the Government's negotiating position ahead of the 79th session of the International Maritime Organisation's Marine Environment Protection Committee. (107114)
- 45 **Mike Kane** (Wythenshawe and Sale East): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, who the members were of the UK delegation to the 79th session of the International Maritime Organisation's Marine Environment Protection Committee. (107115)
- 46 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what his Department spent in 2021 on purchasing goods and services with a value of less than £500 on a government procurement card. (107064)
- 47 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to his Department's publication of spending over £500 with an electronic purchasing card for July 2022, what the nature of the ministerial red box repairs were for which Eximedia UK Ltd. were paid £634.80 on 8 July 2022. (107073)
- 48 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to his Department's publication of spending over £500 with an electronic purchasing card for January to July 2022, what the nature of

the interpretation and translation services were for which his Department paid £11,634.63 over that period, and for what reason has the supplier of those services not been named. (107074)

- 49 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of decisions by the Child Maintenance Service have been appealed against in each of the last five years; and how many appeals have been successfully upheld at Tribunal. (107175)
- 50 **Owen Thompson** (Midlothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent steps he has taken to (a) review and (b) improve the accuracy of the decision making process at the Child Maintenance Service. (107176)
- 51 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what his Department spent in 2021 on purchasing goods and services with a value of less than £500 on a government procurement card. (107067)
- 52 **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the rates of covid-19 (a) vaccination and (b) booster uptake are for people in all age groups as of 9 December 2022. (107181)
- 53 **Gareth Bacon** (Orpington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many (a) NHS and (b) social care workers took sick leave due to a covid-19 infection in the latest period for which data is available. (107182)
- 54 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the independent report commissioned by his Department entitled Maternity and neonatal services in East Kent: 'Reading the signals' published 19 October 2022, what assessment he has made of the implications for his Department's policies of that report's findings; and if he will make a statement. (107189)
- 55 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with relevant stakeholders on ensuring a (a) safe environment, (b) culture of mutual respect and (c) continuous learning and improvement in NHS maternity services. (107190)
- 56 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps to ensure that all (a) women and (b) partners have access to bereavement support following pregnancy loss. (107192)
- 57 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps she is taking to improve the provision of contraception in maternity settings. (107193)
- 58 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Women's Health Strategy published 30 August 2022, what progress his Department has made on removing non-clinical access criteria to fertility treatment. (107194)

- 59 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Women's Health Strategy updated 30 August 2022, what progress his Department has made on publishing national data on the provision and availability of IVF. (107195)
- 60 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to publish his Department's priorities for reform of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act. (107196)
- 61 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the impact of the £6.8 million allocated to local maternity systems to co-produce and implement equity and equality action plans on maternity services. (107197)
- 62 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Final report of the Ockenden review published 30 March 2022, what steps he has taken to implement that report's recommendations. (107198)
- 63 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the continuity of carer model. (107199)
- 64 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many maternal medicine networks have been established in England as of 9 December 2022. (107200)
- 65 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress has been made on the final pilot of the Avoiding Brain Injury in Childbirth collaboration. (107202)
- 66 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much of the £50 million investment into breastfeeding support services has been allocated as of 9 December 2022. (107203)
- 67 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to publish the final report of the Pregnancy Loss Review. (107204)
- 68 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions his Department has had with representatives of Sands on the development of a pregnancy loss certificate since the publication of the Women's Health Strategy. (107205)
- 69 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans for the pregnancy loss certificate to be made available. (107206)
- 70 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve education on (a) perimenopause and (b) menopause symptoms. (107207)

- 71 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of personalised menopause care within primary care settings. (107208)
- 72N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill, what plans they have to (a) revoke, (b) replace or (c) retain the Food Hygiene (England) Regulations 2006. [Transferred] (106357)
- 73 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of partnering with Royal Mail to (a) help tackle wider civic challenges, and (b) provide a service which supports people who are lonely or in need of regular contact for their own wellbeing. (107157)
- 74 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent progress he has made in encouraging social prescribing. (107158)
- 75 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help ensure that all those who would benefit from social prescribing have access to it. (107159)
- 76 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help integrated care boards encourage social prescribing. (107160)
- 77 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many integrated care boards in London provide diabetic advice services to members of the South Asian community; and if he will make a statement. (107055)
- 78 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his Department spent in 2021 on purchasing goods and services with a value of less than £500 on a government procurement card. (107066)
- 79 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December 2022 to Question 97502 on Department of Health and Social Care: Incentives, whose commercial interests would be affected by the disclosure of the information requested. (107082)
- 80 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, which five teams in their Department have the highest number of staffing vacancies as a proportion of total staff as of 8 December 2022; and what proportion of roles were vacant in each of those teams. (107119)
- 81 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what progress he has made in negotiations with the EU on the Northern Ireland Protocol since October. (107214)

- 82 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his EU counterpart on the development of a bespoke UK-EU Veterinary Agreement. (107215)
- 83 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with the EU on an extension of the grace period for the flow of veterinary medicines into Northern Ireland. (107216)
- 84 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with which Northern Ireland stakeholders he has held discussions on the Northern Ireland Protocol since his appointment. (107217)
- 85 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what plans his Department has to update the 2015 Conceptual Framework on Agriculture to incorporate the commitments the Government made on (a) the Koronivia Joint Work on Agriculture and (b) the new Sharm el-Sheikh Work Programme at COP27. (107099)
- 86 **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to promote civic links between organisations in the UK and those in countries where UKaid funds programmes. (107147)
- 87 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester, Withington): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to British International Investment's funding for Globeleq Limited, what assessment she has made of the effectiveness of Globeleq Limited's projects on the transition to renewable energy in Mozambique. (107128)
- 88 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester, Withington): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the involvement of British International Investment and Globeleq in Central Térmica de Temane (CTT), what assessment he has made of the price the Mozambique state utility company EDM will pay for power from CTT. (107129)
- 89 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester, Withington): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the involvement of British International Investment and Globeleq in Central Térmica de Temane, whether his Department took steps to support the Mozambique government in negotiating additional access to the renewable power from the Hidroeléctrica de Cahora Bassa hydroelectric dam for the domestic market. (107130)
- 90 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what progress her Department has made on the fire service reform consultation. (107136)

- 91 **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions she has had with (a) fire brigade staff and (b) the Fire Brigades Union. (107137)
- 92 **Angela Crawley** (Lanark and Hamilton East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of people who qualified for visa fee waivers were minors in (a) 2020, (b) 2021 and (c) 2022. (107180)
- 93 **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment of the consequences for her policies she has made of the recommendation of the Domestic Abuse Commissioner of a flexible national funding pot, to help enable survivors of domestic abuse to escape abuse. (107146)
- 94 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which five teams in their Department have the highest number of staffing vacancies as a proportion of total staff as of 8 December 2022; and what proportion of roles were vacant in each of those teams. (107122)
- 95 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many personnel are working at Permanent Joint Headquarters. (107056)
- 96 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what operations are being run out of Permanent Joint Headquarters. (107057)
- 97 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, which five teams in their Department have the highest number of staffing vacancies as a proportion of total staff as of 8 December 2022; and what proportion of roles were vacant in each of those teams. (107120)
- 98 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department has taken recent steps to ensure that male victims of rape are not classified as victims of violence against women and girls by his Department. (107101)
- 99 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when he will respond to the recommendation of the Justice Committee in its report on the Coroner Service published on 27 May 2021, that a system of appeals against coroners' decisions, similar to that in Section 40 of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 as originally enacted, should be introduced. (107084)
- 100 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what data his Department holds on the number of properties currently held in the probate process pending resolution of a dispute in a probate matter. (107187)
- 101 **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many caveats have been entered with the Probate Registry in each year since 2017. (107220)
- 102 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of his proposals to review financial sector regulation on house (a) prices and (b) supply. (107218)

103 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what his Department spent in 2021 on purchasing goods and services with a value of less than £500 on a government procurement card. (107065)

104N **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of introducing bank hubs on high streets for those unable to use internet banking. [Transferred] (106444)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 14 December

Questions for Written Answer

1N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Attorney General, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December to Question 102837 on incentives, how much the Government Legal Department spent on purchasing non-cash vouchers for staff as reward and recognition bonuses under the Edenred contract in (a) 2017-18, (b) 2018-19, (c) 2019-20, (d) 2020-21 and (e) 2021-22. (107061)

2N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of trends in the number of forcible prepayment meter installations on the smart meter rollout. (107132)

3N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of trends in the number of forcible prepayment meter installations on levels of fuel poverty. (107133)

4N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of trends in the number of forcible prepayment meter installations on household debt levels. (107134)

5N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with (a) Citizens Advice and (b) the End Fuel Poverty Coalition on forcible prepayment meter installations; and whether he has made an assessment of the implications for his Department's policies of trends in the numbers of forcible installations. (107135)

6N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill, what plans he has to (a) revoke, (b) replace or (c) retain the Consumer Rights (Payment Surcharges) Regulations 2012. (107090)

- 7N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill, what plans he has to (a) revoke, (b) replace or (c) retain the Toys (Safety) Regulations 2011. (107091)
- 8N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to increase the production of low-carbon hydrogen in the UK. (107112)
- 9N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on the preparedness of the planning system for the development of green hydrogen production facilities. (107113)
- 10N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of reviewing Royal Mail Group's governance arrangements. (107153)
- 11N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with the Royal Mail on the financial position of the business. (107154)
- 12N **Anne McLaughlin** (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December to Question 102949 on Energy: Meters, how many warrants have been issued to move non-smart meter energy customers to pre-payment meters in the UK since 1 January 2022. (107170)
- 13N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of the proposed National Portfolio Programme 2023-26 on the number of (a) performers, (b) stage management staff and (c) creative team directly engaged by National Portfolio Organisations. (107071)
- 14N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of reviewing opera (a) funding and (b) geographical provision in England. (107085)
- 15N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of Arts Council England's decision to reduce funding for the English National Opera on (a) permanent and (b) freelance employment in that sector. (107086)
- 16N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill, what plans she has to (a) revoke, (b) replace or (c) retain the Food Information (Amendment) (England) Regulation 2019. (107092)

- 17N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many local authorities (a) are providing and (b) plan to provide warm banks in England in the winter of 2022-23. (107098)
- 18N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what percentage of instances of replies to written parliamentary questions does his department issue a holding answer indicating that it will not be possible to answer the question asked within the usual time period. (107125)
- 19N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, which constituencies have the highest proportion of homes with an Energy Performance Certificate below level Level E. [Transferred] (106364)
- 20N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many homes have an Energy Performance Certificate below Level E as of 8 December 2022. [Transferred] (106365)
- 21N **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment has been made of the adequacy of costs incurred by local authorities when applying for competitive Local Authority funding pots. (107188)
- 22N **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent assessment has been made of the potential impact of increased energy costs on local authority finances; and if he will make a statement. (107191)
- 23N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an estimate of the number and proportion of households that are affected by mould as of 9 December 2022; and whether his Department is taking steps to implement a strategy to help reduce that number. (107087)
- 24N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what funding his Department has provided to Maritime UK's Regional Cluster Organisations for the purposes of delivering the Maritime 2050 strategy. between January 2021 and July 2022. (107103)
- 25N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what funding his Department has provided to Maritime UK in each year since 2018-19. (107105)
- 26N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what proportion of Maritime UK's funding is from (a) private and (b) public sources. (107107)
- 27N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what staffing support his Department has provided to Maritime UK by (a) hours and (b) full time equivalent headcount in each year since 2018-19. (107108)

- 28N **Ian Mearns** (Gateshead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many hours officials from his Department have spent (a) attending and (b) helping to implement the policies of the National Council of Maritime UK in each year since 2019--20. (107110)
- 29N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when his Department plan to publish the report submitted by Baroness Neville-Rolfe in September 2022 regarding her independent review of the state pension age. (107095)
- 30N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to increase (a) private and (b) workplace pension contributions. (107096)
- 31N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent discussions he has had with (a) ministerial colleagues and (b) stakeholders on extending (a) eligibility and (b) minimum contributions for automatic enrolment in workplace pensions. (107097)
- 32N **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of maximum waiting times to receive the Cold Weather Payment on people with pay-as-you-go energy meters. (107177)
- 33N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of providing part of the Cost of Living Payment to people on means tested benefits in Winter 2022. (107088)
- 34N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill, what plans he has to (a) revoke, (b) replace or (c) retain the Animal Feed (Composition, Marketing and Use) (England) Regulations 2015. (107093)
- 35N **Stella Creasy** (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill, what plans he has to (a) revoke, (b) replace or (c) retain Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006. (107094)
- 36N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what percentage of instances of replies to written parliamentary questions does his department issue a holding answer indicating that it will not be possible to answer the question asked within the usual time period. (107124)
- 37N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many (a) autistic people and (b) people with learning disabilities were placed in an inpatient unit rated as inadequate by the Care Quality Commission in the last 12 months. (107069)

- 38N **Barbara Keeley** (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many (a) autistic people and (b) people with learning disabilities were in long-term segregation on 6 December 2022. (107070)
- 39N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care when he plans to provide a substantive answer to Question 97476, tabled by the Rt hon. Member for Islington South and Finsbury on 28 November for answer on 1 December. (107081)
- 40N **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Brazilian counterpart on the protection of human rights defenders in that country. (107139)
- 41N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his counterpart in Cuba on reports of the incarceration of political prisoners. (107058)
- 42N **Peter Grant** (Glenrothes): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the asylum transformation programme includes a commitment to reinstate the 6-month service standard for decisions on all straightforward asylum applications. (107138)
- 43N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 5 December 2022 to Question 102998 on Wind Power: Migrant Workers, whether the wide range of stakeholders includes (a) other Government departments and (b) employers in the industries where the concessions have an effect. (107117)
- 44N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 5 December 2022 to Question 102998 on Wind Power: Migrant Workers, which stakeholders her Department consulted prior to the introduction of the Offshore Wind Workers Immigration Rules Concession 2017. (107118)
- 45N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 5 December 2022 to Question 102999 on Wind Power: Migrant Workers, whether she makes regular assessments with Cabinet colleagues of the impact of concessions from the immigration rules on the domestic labour market. (107183)
- 46N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December 2022 to Question 102998 on Wind Power: Migrant Workers, whether any representations were received from employers on an extension of the concession (a) between 1 July 2021 and 31 October 2022 and (b) since 31 October 2022. (107184)

- 47N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December 2022 to Question 102998 on Wind Power: Migrant Workers, whether her Department had made an assessment of levels of labour before granting the extension. (107185)
- 48N **Ellie Reeves** (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many (a) firearms, (b) bladed items and (c) other weapons have been found in prisons in each of the last five years. (107179)
- 49N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an assessment of the level of risk posed to witnesses of non-violent crimes; and whether he has had recent discussions with Cabinet colleagues on taking steps to help ensure that witnesses understand their right to anonymity. (107089)
- 50N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Prime Minister, when he plans to respond to the letter of 3 November 2022 from the hon. Member for Liverpool, Walton and others on an Independent Review of alcohol harm. [R] (107140)
- 51N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many people above state pension age were paying income tax in each financial year from 2009-10 to 2021-22. (107100)
- 52N **Patrick Grady** (Glasgow North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment has he made of the potential impact on tax revenues of a pay-as-you-drive model of vehicle taxation. (107173)
- 53N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he is taking further steps to support businesses in response to increases to the energy price cap. (107151)
- 54N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he is taking further steps to support consumers in response to increases to the energy price cap. (107152)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 15 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much funding his Department has provided through the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund as of 9 December 2022. (107102)
- 2N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, which constituencies have received the most funding from the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund. (107104)

- 3N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much money has the Government spent on the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme, as of 24 November 2022. (107106)
- 4N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, which constituencies have received the most funding from the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme, as of 9 December 2022. (107109)
- 5N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, which type of non-domestic public sector buildings have received the most funding from the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme, as of 9 December 2022. (107111)
- 6N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what recent steps she has taken to progress the review of the planning barriers that households face when installing energy efficiency measures, due at the end of 2022. (107212)
- 7N **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 potential merits of guaranteeing funding for the Canal and River Trust for the next five years. (107131)
- 8N **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the Cold Weather Payment in line with inflation. (107178)
- 9N **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment has he made of the adequacy of the availability of hormone replacement therapy. (107209)

Questions for Answer on Monday 19 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when the next 3-5 year review of the Honours System is due to (a) take place and (b) report. (107174)
- 2N **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 25 November 2022 to Question 92309 on Tax Allowances: Disability, will he consider the potential merits of introducing a Deaf Person's Tax Allowance that is equivalent to the Blind Person's Tax Allowance. (107150)
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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 20 December

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason the Government's contract with Pfizer specified that any contractual dispute would be determined by three private arbitrators rather than a court. (107163)
- 2N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason there was redacted specific contractual information concerning the (a) price of vaccine doses, (b) the use of doses, liability rules, and (c) the ownership of IP and industrial trade secrets within the UK's Government's procurement contracts for covid-19 vaccines; and what assessment he has made of the impacts of reduced transparency in such documents. (107165)
- 3N **Wendy Chamberlain** (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, at what cost his Department procured the Pfizer-BionTech covid-19 vaccine as of 9 December. (107167)