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Questions tabled on Friday 6 January 2023

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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 10 January

Questions for Written Answer

- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet
 Office, when the Office for National Statistics plans to publish detailed migration
 data from the 2021 Census.

 (117791)
- Mark Pritchard (The Wrekin): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department is taking steps to help ensure that people without access to online and mobile banking can make payments for services provided by Government (a)

 Departments and (b) agencies. (117535)
- Hilary Benn (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, for what reason it is his Department's policy that intellectual property practitioners who represent businesses before the Intellectual Property Office are not required to be regulated in the UK. (117468)
- 4 Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent estimate his Department has made of the cost of the Hinkley Connection Project. (117668)
- Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent progress has been made on the construction of the Hinkley Connection Project; if he will make an estimate of the completion date for that project; and if he will make a statement. (117669)

- Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of whether the transmission grid would be capable of handling the proposed output from Sizewell C power station. (117670)
- 7 Ian Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment his Department has made of the impact on human respiratory health of (a) log burning stoves and (b) pellet boilers. (117883)
- 8 Ian Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to trends in the level of the cost of heating homes, what assessment he has made of likelihood of an increase in the uptake of log burning technology to heat households; and whether he has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Health on the impact of log burning within the home on health. (117884)
- 9 Ian Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Clean Air Strategy published on 14 January 2019, whether the Government is on track to meet its target of reducing particulate emissions from wood and coal burning stoves to 30 per cent or less by the year 2030. (117885)
- 10 Ronnie Cowan (Inverclyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 7 December 2022 to Question 98848 on Energy Bills Rebate: Meters, what discussions his Department has had with energy companies to help ensure that those customers entitled to the Energy Bills Support Scheme, who has not received the October 2022 prepayment voucher on time, will be able to claim and receive that payment.
- Sir Geoffrey Cox (Torridge and West Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he plans to make further funding available to households who do not qualify for the Energy Bill Support Scheme, including off grid households. (117510)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that eligible households are aware of (a) how and (b) when to apply for the Energy Bills Support Scheme Alternative Funding. (117708)
- Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what proportion of letters bearing first class stamps were delivered by Royal Mail within three days in the LA postcode area in the last year. (117543)
- Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what proportion of letters bearing first class stamps were delivered by Royal Mail the following day in the last year. (117544)

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- Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what proportion of letters bearing second class stamps were delivered by Royal Mail within three days in the LA postcode area in the last year. (117545)
- Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what proportion of letters handled by Royal Mail in England were not delivered within 5 days in the last year. (117546)
- 17 Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of extending the Energy Bill Relief Scheme beyond 31 March 2023. (117898)
- 18 Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to help (a) tackle exploitation and (b) improve sustainability in the UK garment supply chain sector.

 (117899)
- 19 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing people to choose whether to receive the Warm Home Discount from their gas supplier rather than their electricity supplier. (117922)
- 20 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of allowing people who receive the Warm Home Discount the option to have it paid to their gas supplier rather than their electricity supplier. (117950)
- 21 Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many small and medium sized enterprises in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency have received Government funding for support with the cost of living crisis. (117710)
- Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with businesses in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency on the potential impacts of the cost of living crisis on those businesses. (117711)
- Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to increase the rate of energy efficiency measure installations in homes in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency.

 (117712)
- 24 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to increase funding to renewable energy sources in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency.

(117713)

- Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps is his Department taking to ensure that small and medium-sized enterprises Dulwich and West Norwood constituency are receiving support from the Energy Bill Relief Scheme. (117714)
- Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an estimate of the number of homes that have been retrofitted through the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency. (117715)
- 27 Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has had recent discussions with the Minister for Women and Equalities on improving accessibility to entrepreneurship and business ownership for people with protected characteristics in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency. (117716)
- Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many homes have had Energy Company Obligation scheme measures installed in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency, as of 31 October 2022. (117717)
- Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many energy-saving home improvement projects have been completed through the Green Deal in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency, as of 31 October 2022. (117718)
- Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many homes have been retrofitted as a result of the Local Authority Delivery Scheme in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency, as of 31 October 2022. (117719)
- 31 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many homes have been retrofitted as a result of the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund Demonstrator in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency, as of 31 October 2022. (117720)
- Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an estimate of the number of jobs supported by the Green Homes Grant support in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency.

 (117721)
- 33 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what was the average grant given to homeowners with successful applications under Green Homes Grant voucher scheme in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency. (117722)

- 34 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many applications for the Green Homes Grant voucher scheme were successful in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency.

 (117723)
- 35 **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many homes have been retrofitted through the Green Homes Grant in Dulwich and West Norwood constituency, as of 31 October 2022. (117724)
- Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many and what proportion of businesses are owned by women in Kingston upon Hull North constituency. (117522)
- 37 Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made an estimate of the total funding provided through the Energy Bill Support Scheme in Kingston upon Hull.

 (117523)
- Darren Jones (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much funding the Government has provided to Local Enterprise Partnerships in each financial year since 2011. (117860)
- 39 **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much funding his Department has provided to each Local Enterprise Partnership to finance the development of local economic plans since 2011. (117861)
- Darren Jones (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many and what proportion of the 38 Local Enterprise Partnerships submitted local economic plans; and how many and what proportion of these were subsequently approved by his Department. (117862)
- Darren Jones (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many of the local economic plans drafted by Local Enterprise Partnerships have been implemented. (117863)
- Darren Jones (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to ensure students living in (a) halls of residence and (b) other properties supplied via nondomestic energy suppliers receive support under the Energy Bills Support Scheme.
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent estimate he has made of the cost to the public purse of delivering the hydrogen village trial. (117986)

- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 16 December 2022 to Question 106432 on Zero Hours Contracts, which stakeholders considered the regulations to be an important deterrent and an effective and proportionate means of realising the policy objective.
 (117652)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 16 December 2022 to Question 106432 on Zero Hours Contracts, if he will make an assessment of the reasons why there have been very few claims related to the regulations. (117653)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 16 December 2022 to Question 106433, if he will estimate how many workers who have a zerohour contract in their main job have taken a second job since the introduction of the Exclusivity Terms in Zero Hours Contracts (Redress) Regulations 2015. (117654)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 13 December 2022 to Question 106436, whether his Department is taking steps to increase the rate of acceptance for flexible working requests. (117655)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 13 December 2022 to Question 106439, if he will make an assessment of the reasons for the rise in the number of people recorded as looking for an additional job between (a) April and June and (b) July and September 2022.
- 49 Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department is taking steps to implement the recommendations of the report by the Socio-Economic Diversity Taskforce entitled Breaking the Class Barrier: Recommendations for Building a More Socio-Economically Diverse Financial and Professional Services Sector, published in November 2022. (117594)
- Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department has taken recent steps to help increase socio-economic diversity in the leadership of (a) financial and (b) professional service companies. (117595)
- 51 Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of increased socio-economic diversity in the (a) financial and (b) professional services industry on the wider economy. (117596)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential role of universities in helping to grow (a) social enterprises, (b) community interest companies, (c) cooperatives and (d) mutuals in their local areas.

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- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many court warrants have been granted for energy companies to switch customers to pre-payment meters in the last 12 months. (117679)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, pursuant to the Answer of 29 November 2022 to Question 92266 on Climate Change Convention, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of opening a new coal mine in Cumbria on the Government's priorities for COP28.
- John Redwood (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many new gas and oil fields in the UK have received production licences in the last six months.

 (117397)
- John Redwood (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what is the maximum electricity output from all coal and biomass generating plants in the UK that would be able to operate if needed. (117398)
- John Redwood (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the planned transition to electric vehicles on the capacity of local power cable networks.

 (117399)
- John Redwood (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much extra capacity needs to be created in the high voltage electricity grid for to accommodate planned levels of electric heating and transport.

 (117400)
- Matt Rodda (Reading East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made an estimate of the numbers of consumers switched to prepayment meters without consultation in 2022. (117793)
- 60 Matt Rodda (Reading East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that customers are consulted with before being moved onto a prepayment meter. (117794)
- 61 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to improve gas storage capacity in the UK. (117497)
- 62 John Spellar (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much revenue accrued to the Crown Estate from offshore wind leases in the last year. (117438)
- John Spellar (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he will review trends in the level of costs charged by insolvency practitioners. (117441)

- Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps he is taking to (a) engage with regulators on and (b) develop a market for investment in green industry. (117799)
- Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made an assessment of the implications for his Department's policies of the report on the UK Green Taxonomy published by the APPG on Environmental, Social, and Governance. (117801)
- 66 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an assessment of (a) whether the Post Office is providing and (b) the potential impact of the temporary closure of Post Offices on the provision of a convenient and accessible service to all customers.
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, with reference to the oral contribution of the Minister for Media, Data and Digital Infrastructure of 26 May 2022, Official Report, column 400, in response to the hon. Member for Buckingham, if she will have discussions with Ofcom on the potential effect of Equinox on competition in the fixed telecoms infrastructure market.
- Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what assessment she has made of trends in the level of gambling shops on high streets in London in each the last 5 years. (117764)
- 69 Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 21 December 2022 to Question 110853 on Religion: Secondary Education, if she will make an estimate of the number and proportion of teachers of (a) religious education, (b) geography, (c) history and (d) English who spent the majority of their timetabled hours teaching each subject in the last 12 months. (117942)
- Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what proportion of the total subject hours for (i) history, (ii) geography, (iii) English and (iv) religious education in key stages (a) three, (b) four and (c) five were taught by teachers without a post A-level qualification in that subject in the last 12 months.

 (117943)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what her planned timetable is for the publication of a Government response to the report by the Competition and Markets Authority entitled Children's social care market study: final report, published on 10 March 2022. (117960)
- 72 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of her Department's School Rebuilding Programme for Solihull constituency. (117623)
- 73 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to improve early years teacher training. (117575)

74 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to increase the number of foster care placements.

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- 75 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department is taking steps to improve the quality of school buildings. (117577)
- 76 **Mr Jonathan Lord** (Woking): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department is taking steps to improve the quality of apprenticeships. (117578)
- 77 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the impact of pay awards to (a) chief executives and (b) other leadership staff of multi academy trusts on school budgets. (117671)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when he plans to announce the (a) level and (b) purpose of the funding awarded to each school selected for funding through the school rebuilding programme and in particular to (i) All Saints, York and (ii) Tang Hall Primary, York. (117695)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many and what proportion of primary schools in England employ a (a) play and (b) creative arts therapist; and how many and what proportion of Ofsted reports completed in 2022 for primary schools in (a) York and (b) elsewhere in England include reference to (i) play and (ii) creative arts therapy.
- 80 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to her Departments guidance on Reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete: estates published on 14 December 2022, if she will publish a list of all the school buildings which have (a) roofs and (b) other elements of the building made wholly or in part from Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete, by (i) the parliamentary constituency and (ii) local authority; and if she will make an estimate amount of capital funding provided to those schools in each of the last five years.
- Mark Pritchard (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment she has made of the extent of delays to Ofsted inspections of schools caused by the covid-19 pandemic; and what steps her Department is taking to clear the backlog of overdue inspections. (117534)
- 82 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps his Department is taking to support children in foster care to attain a university education. (117503)
- 83 Ian Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the inclusion of decapod crustaceans in the Animal Welfare (Sentience) Act 2022, if she will make an estimate of the number of instances of crabs and lobsters being (a) sold online and (b) delivered live by courier in the last 12 months; and whether she has had recent discussions with (i) Amazon and (ii) other online retailers on taking steps to prevent this practice.

- Or Lisa Cameron (East Kilbride, Strathaven and Lesmahagow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the report of the National Anti Snaring Campaign entitled A Review of the Use of Snares in the UK published in April 2022, whether he has made an assessment if the implication for her Department's policies of that reports conclusions on (a) non-target capture, (b) animal welfare and (c) prohibiting the use of snares.
- 85 **Dr Lisa Cameron** (East Kilbride, Strathaven and Lesmahagow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what discussions she has had with the devolved administrations on the potential merits of banning snares. (117640)
- Wendy Chamberlain (North East Fife): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the press release of 16 December entitled Government provides boost to horticulture industry with certainty over seasonal workers, what is the guaranteed minimum of paid hours each week for workers on the scheme; who is responsible for monitoring that this is received by workers for the duration of their 6 month visa; and what are the channels for redress if workers are not paid.
- 87 **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when his Department plans to bring forward legislative proposals to bring compulsory microchipping of pet cats into force. (117598)
- 88 Tracey Crouch (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what estimate her Department has made of the number of puppies smuggled into Great Britain each year; and what steps she is taking to prevent puppy smuggling. (117550)
- 89 Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to ban the sale of decapod crustaceans online where they are sent to consumers by post or courier while they are alive.

(117978)

- 90 **Sir Bernard Jenkin** (Harwich and North Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether officials from her Department attended courses on (a) SPS agreements, (b) trade and the environment and (c) agriculture agreements at the World Trade Organisation in each year since the EU referendum in June 2016; and if she will make a statement. (117402)
- 91 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the impact of sequins on the level of plastic pollution in England. (117851)
- 92 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has had recent discussions with the Welsh Government on that government's announcement on single-use plastics in December 2022. (117852)

- 93 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when she last met her counterpart in the Welsh Government.(117853)
- 94 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when she last met her counterpart in the Scottish Government.

 (117854)
- 95 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when she last had discussions with her French counterpart. (117855)
- 96 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when she last had discussions with her Australian counterpart.

 (117856)
- 97 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when she last had discussions with the US Climate Envoy. (117857)
- 98 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of ensuring that PM2.5 levels in England are 10 µg m-3 or below by 2030. (117858)
- 99 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has had discussions with local government representatives on the impact of the Bristol Clean Air Zone. (117859)
- 100 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to tackle illegal tree felling. (117633)
- 101 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to tackle flytipping. (117634)
- 102 **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the potential impact of the effect of inflation in the cost of pet food for domestic animals on trends in the level of animal welfare. (117900)
- 103 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to (a) improve standards of animal welfare in abattoirs and (b) help ensure that farm animals have a humane death.

 (117489)
- 104 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has plans to introduce mandatory animal-welfare labelling on supermarket products. (117490)
- 105 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department takes to protect endangered species in the UK.

- 106 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support farmers with bird flu outbreaks.

 (117498)
- 107 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will estimate the number and proportion of dogs that are not microchipped; and what steps she is taking to help reduce that number. (117440)
- 108 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of consolidation in the veterinary sector on veterinary costs for pet owners. (117455)
- 109 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department is taking steps to help encourage companies to transition away from testing products on animals. (117573)
- 110 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has had recent discussions with stakeholders in the supermarket sector on trends in the level of food inflation. (117765)
- 111 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help tackle rises in the level of food inflation. (117766)
- 112 Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what the value of imports from Russia was in (a) 2021 and (b) 2022.
- 113 **Sir Bernard Jenkin** (Harwich and North Essex): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, how many officials from his Department have attended courses on international trade with the World Trade Organisation in each year since 2016; and if she will make a statement. (117401)
- 114 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps she will take to enable parliamentary scrutiny of the proposed UK-India free trade agreement. (117429)
- 115 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, if she will provide details of the types of equipment that have been exported by Elbit to Israel. (117417)
- John McDonnell (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether her Department holds information on whether any equipment that has been exported by Elbit to Israel has been used by the Israeli armed forces in any Israeli/Palestinian conflicts from inception to completion since its delivery.
 (117418)
- 117 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, what steps her Department is taking to ensure continued access to generic medicines from India through the India Free Trade Agreement. (117467)

- **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether she is taking steps through the World Trade Organisation to help restrict the size of the Chinese distant water fleet and its impact on fish stocks. (117456)
- **Richard Thomson** (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether the Government plans to take steps to include international human rights safeguards in a Free Trade Agreement between the United Kingdom and Gulf Cooperation Council. (117832)
- **Nickie Aiken** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent progress his Department has made on amending provisions within the Housing Act 1988 on the treatment of long residential leases as rental tenancies when a leaseholder's annual ground rent exceeds £1,000 in Greater London or £250 in the rest of England. (117929)
- **Nickie Aiken** (Cities of London and Westminster): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to protect leaseholders who are subject to RPI ground rents and who have not been within the scope of the Competition and Markets Authority's work on ground rents.
- 122 Alberto Costa (South Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of taking steps to ensure social housing providers adopt priority registers that ensure the most vulnerable people are prioritised when raising housing concerns.

 (117661)
- **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what support he is providing to local planning authorities to help them facilitate increased levels of physical activity among people in their areas. (117558)
- 124 Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the implications for his Department's policies of instances of antisemitism towards the Jewish community in the last 12 months. (117512)
- **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the implications for his Department's policies of recent trends in levels of Islamophobic amongst the British public. (117513)
- **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the financial allocation was to Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council through his Department's Homelessness Prevention Grant. (117624)
- **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the financial allocation was to Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council from his Department's Council Tax Support Fund. (117625)

- **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of his Department's Night Shelter Transformation Fund for the West Midlands. (117626)
- **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the financial allocation was to Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council from his Department's Services Grant. (117627)
- **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the provisional financial allocation is to Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council through the New Homes Bonus. (117628)
- **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the financial allocation was to Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council from his Department's Social Care Grant. (117629)
- **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the financial allocation was to Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council from his Department's Discharge Funding Grant. (117630)
- **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the financial allocation was to Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council through his Department's Adult Social Care Market Sustainability and Improvement Funding Grant. (117631)
- **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the financial allocation was to Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council as part of his Department's Local Authority Domestic Abuse Duty New Burden Funding. (117632)
- **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the effect of trends in the level of Local Housing Allowance on the affordability of local rents for private renters.

 (117908)
- **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the effect of the cost of living crisis in trends of the level of homelessness. (117909)
- **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an estimate of the average cost per annum of ground rent for all categories of property under leasehold agreement. (117643)
- **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an estimate of the average increase per annum in ground rent for all categories of property under leasehold agreement in each of the last five years. (117644)

- 139 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an estimate of the average annual (a) ground rent, (b) service charge, (c) administration charge and (d) other costs associated with owning a leasehold property. (117645)
- 140 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the Leasehold Advisory Service's support for (a) leaseholders and (b) freeholders.
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Leasehold Advisory Service at protecting the rights of leaseholders. (117647)
- 142 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what the annual cost to the public purse is of Leasehold Advisory Service. (117648)
- 143 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the support provided by the Leasehold Advisory Service to seeking more information on cladding. (117649)
- 144 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what recent assessment he has made of the impact of the cost-of-living crisis on leaseholders. (117650)
- 145 **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many and what proportion of new homes sold between 17 December 2019 and the introduction of the Leasehold Reform (Ground Rent) Act 2022 on 30 June 2022 were leasehold properties. (117651)
- 146 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to his Department's plans to consult on a change to the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 to enable local areas to better control changes of use to short-term lets, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of such a change on the number of properties that are already used as short term holiday lets as of January 2022. (117680)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to his Department's plans to consult on a change to the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 to enable local areas to better control changes of use to short-term lets, whether he expects to include in that consultation a proposal that a change of use application would be needed if a property is to revert from use as a short term holiday let to residential use; and what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of his proposed changes on the number of properties available for residential use in areas which have an above average number of properties in use as short term holiday lets.

- 148 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, with reference to his Department's proposals for a
 new registration scheme for short term holiday lets, what assessment he has made
 of the extent to which this scheme would add to the information on the location
 of short term holiday lets already accessible to the public through commercial
 websites.
- 149 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department's proposals for a new registration scheme for short term holiday lets will include a requirement for minimum (a) environmental and (b) safety standards equivalent to those found in the private rented sector. (117683)
- 150 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of requiring The Regulator of Social Housing to conduct routine inspections of small social housing providers. (117424)
- 151 Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of reinstating the Community Housing Fund on levels of housing supply. (117773)
- 152 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make it his policy to reinstate the Community Housing Fund.
- Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many units of housing were delivered as a result of funding under the Community Housing Fund. (117775)
- 154 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to increase the
 speed of planning decisions. (117496)
- 155 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many landlords are registered on rogue landlords databases in England. (117434)
- 156 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 22 September 2022 to Question 49746 on Buildings: Insulation, when he plans to publish further details on the funding scheme for buildings between 11 and 18 metres. (117763)
- 157 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, for what reasons the Government did not introduce legislative proposals to end Section 21 evictions in 2022. (117768)
- 158 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an estimate of the average increase in rent for private properties in London following the increase

- in the cost of living in the last 12 months; what comparative assessment he had made of the affordability of those increases on people on average earnings in London; and if he will make a statement. (117769)
- 159 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he has had recent discussions with the British Landlords Association on rent increases in London. (117770)
- 160 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has taken recent steps to increase the construction of (a) social housing and (b) affordable homes in Hornsey and Wood Green constituency. (117771)
- **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what funding has been allocated to (a) FareShare and (b) other food redistribution organisations from (i) the Dormant Assets Scheme and (b) other sources.
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of 20mph zones on levels of traffic congestion. (117964)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of 20mph zones on the safety of pedestrians. (117965)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an estimate of the average cost of erecting the signage required for a 20mph zone. (117966)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an estimate with Cabinet colleagues of the average cost of policing a 20mph zone in the last 12 months. (117967)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of levels of public support for 20mph zones (a) nationally and (b) in local areas where zones have been created.

 (117968)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent estimate his Department has made of the potential impact of the introduction of 20mph zones on the number of road fatalities; and what the evidential basis is for this estimate. (117969)
- **Scott Benton** (Blackpool South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the introduction of 20mph zones on the level of CO2 emissions. (117970)

- 169 Samantha Dixon (City of Chester): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the High-Level Output Specification and Statement of Funds Available for the railways, published on 1 December 2022, on what date he expects (a) to publish the next iteration of the Rail Network Enhancements Pipeline and (b) to make a statement on proposed improvements to Chester railway station.
- 170 **Samantha Dixon** (City of Chester): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he will publish his full response to Sir Peter Hendy's Union Connectivity Review. (117903)
- 171 Samantha Dixon (City of Chester): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what date he expects to announce the outcome of bids to the second round of the UK Levelling Up Fund for transport-related investments. (117904)
- 172 Samantha Dixon (City of Chester): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what contractual requirements he has placed on the Avanti West Coast train company on the restoration of the frequency of direct train services linking North Wales, Chester and London Euston; and what penalties will be imposed in the event of that operator failing to meet those standards. (117906)
- 173 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of Aer Lingus ceasing to provide a Belfast to London service on air connectivity between Northern Ireland and England.

 (117836)
- 174 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had discussions with police forces in England on the impact of abnormal load movement restrictions on the road haulage industry. (117874)
- 175 **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to take steps to improve bus services in Kingston upon Hull North constituency. (117514)
- 176 Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he plans to take to improve train services in Kingston upon Hull North constituency. (117515)
- 177 **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to increase the use of electric transport in Kingston upon Hull. (117516)
- 178 Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department is taking steps to support the local authority to reduce traffic congestion in Kingston upon Hull. (117517)
- 179 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding his Department provided to bus services in England in 2022.(117823)

180 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 22 December 2022 to Question 111663, on Train Operating Companies, if he will list the dates Ministers in his Department have met with representatives from train operating companies in each month since April 2022.

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- 181 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 22 December 2022 to Question 111663 on Train Operating Companies, whether his Department has kept a record of meetings between Ministers and train operating companies that have taken place since 1 January 2022.
- 182 Alex Sobel (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of building new roads on climate targets. (117807)
- 183 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of savings to the public purse from the abolition of paper vehicle tax discs since their removal in 2014. (117443)
- 184 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many applications for vehicle details by private car parking companies were received by the DVLA in 2022. (117445)
- 185 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many new net zero emission buses were funded by his Department in the last five years; what the power source was for those buses; and how many and what proportion of those buses were manufactured in the UK. (117446)
- 186 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the Jet Zero Council includes representatives of trades unions. (117448)
- 187 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to ensure adequate toilet and washing facilities for HGV drivers. (117458)
- 188 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the treatment of 1950s born women affected by changes to the state pension age, what assessment he has made of the implications for her policies of the tribunal report by Dr Joceylynne Scutt published on 13 July 2022; and if she will make a statement. (117888)
- 189 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential implications for his policies of the research by Parkinson's UK on the estimated additional heating costs that could be incurred by people with Parkinson's Disease in winter 2022. (117925)
- 190 **Ronnie Cowan** (Inverclyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 27 October 2022 to Question 67074 on Jobcentres: Pay, what recent estimate he has made of when holiday pay will be issued to Jobcentre staff.

- **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many households in receipt of Universal Credit and subject to deductions (a) with and (b) without children had (i) up to five per cent, (ii) between six and 10 per cent, (iii) between 11 and 15 per cent, (iv) between 16 and 20 per cent, (v) between 21 and 25 per cent and (vi) more than 25 per cent of the Standard Allowance deducted in the most recent month for which data are available; and what the average deduction was for each category. (117527)
- **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many households in receipt of Universal Credit and subject to deductions who were (a) assessed and (b) not assessed to have (i) limited capability for work and (ii) limited capability for work and work-related activity had (A) up to five per cent, (B) between six and 10 per cent, (C) between 11 and 15 per cent, (D) between 16 and 20 per cent, (E) between 21 and 25 per cent and (F) more than 25 per cent of the Standard Allowance deducted in the most recent month for which data is available; and what the average deduction was for each category.
- **Stephen Crabb** (Preseli Pembrokeshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many households in receipt of Universal Credit and subject to deductions with (a) no one and (b) at least one person in work had (i) up to five per cent, (ii) between six and 10 per cent, (iii) between 11 and 15 per cent, (iv) between 16 and 20 per cent, (v) between 21 and 25 per cent and (vi) more than 25 per cent of the Standard Allowance deducted in the most recent month for which data are available; and what the average deduction was for each category. (117529)
- 194 Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the cost of living crisis, if he will make it his policy to review the decision on frozen overseas pensions.

 (117890)
- **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to help pensioners in Kingston upon Hull North constituency access (a) information about their eligibility for Pension Credit and (b) Pension Credit. (117518)
- **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what was the average waiting time for a Work Capability Assessment in Kingston upon Hull North constituency in the latest period for which data is available. (117519)
- 197 Dame Diana Johnson (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to improve the take-up of Pension Credit in Kingston upon Hull North constituency. (117520)
- **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Universal Credit decisions were subject to an appeal by the claimant in 2022 in Kingston upon Hull North constituency. (117521)

- 199 Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Cold Weather Payments were issued to pensioners in Solihull constituency in 2022. (117635)
- 200 Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to support employment support groups in the West Midlands region.
 (117636)
- 201 Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Winter Fuel Payments and Pensioner Cost of Living Payments were awarded within the Solihull constituency. (117637)
- 202 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent steps he has taken to encourage people with sleep apnoea to apply for the Personal Independence Payment. (117684)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, to what extra financial support people with sleep apnoea who are receiving Personal Independence Payment are entitled to assist with their winter fuel bills; and if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of that support to allow affected people to run essential medical devices which require electricity, in the light of increased fuel costs.
- 204 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many households with one or more claimants of Universal Credit who were (a) assessed to have limited capability for work and (b) in receipt of a disabled child element had a deduction made to their standard allowance in (i) York and (ii) the UK in each of the last 12 months.
- 205 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of Universal Credit claimants whose payments were reduced due to a sanction were (a) assessed to have limited capability to work and (b) in receipt if a disabled child element in (i) York and (ii) the UK in each of the last 12 months.
- 206 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 3 November 2022 to Question 74764, what data his Department holds on how many and what proportion of applicants for Universal Credit declared a disability when making their claim. (117705)
- 207 **Holly Mumby-Croft** (Scunthorpe): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the cost of living support for disabled people. (117824)
- 208 Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the maximum income eligibility criteria for Pension Credit in the context of the rate of inflation.

(117780)

- 209 Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will publish guidance on other sources of financial support for people who are not eligible for Pension Credit due to the level of their savings and live in rented homes.
- 210 Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department has made additional financial support available to pensioners who are not eligible for Pension Credit during the cost of living crisis.

 (117782)
- 211 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December 2022 to Question 110773 on Social Security Benefits: Appeals, how many appeals were determined by the First Tier Tribunal; and how many determinations upheld his Department's decision. (117738)
- Kate Osamor (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December 2022 to Question 110773 on Social Security Benefits: Appeals, if he will make an assessment of the causes of the rates of revision of decisions on Mandatory Reconsideration. (117739)
- 213 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of Personal Independence Payment assessments carried out by (a) Atos and (b) Capita were found to have been of an unacceptable standard in (i) 2019-20, (ii) 2020-21 and (iii) 2021-22. (117740)
- 214 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to reduce barriers to older workers seeking to re-enter the workforce. (117435)
- 215 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing corrective surgery for pectus excavatum through the NHS. (117927)
- 216 **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the proportion of antibiotics dispensed in the UK that are manufactured in (a) the UK, (b) the European Union and (c) elsewhere.
- 217 **Ian Byrne** (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he will publish the Ten Year Cancer Plan; and whether that plan will include measures to tackle pancreatic cancer. (117886)
- 218 Ian Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government is taking to improve the (a) funding of, (b) research into and (c) waiting times for treatment of pancreatic cancer. (117887)

- 219 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the evaluation of the carcinogenicity of the consumption of red and processed meat by the International Agency for Research on Cancer; and if he will make a statement.
- 220 Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has held with construction companies on the New Hospitals Programme.
 (117837)
- 221 Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has had recent discussions with construction company bid teams on the New Hospital Programme. (117838)
- 222 Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what sites have (a) secured land and (b) planning permission under the New Hospital Programme as of 4 January 2022. (117839)
- 223 Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that the covid-19 vaccination programme is resilient to (a) disruptions to supply chains and (b) other issues raised by suppliers.
 (117878)
- Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social
 Care, what plans his Department has to develop and diversify its covid-19 vaccine portfolio.
- 225 Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many covid-19 vaccines the Government has in storage broken down by manufacturer.
 (117880)
- 226 Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of call outs for ambulances are primarily for mental health emergencies.
 (117881)
- 227 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to (a) provide dentists greater access to necessary patient medical information and (b) allow dental hospitals to access the NHS Spine administrative system.
- 228 Ronnie Cowan (Inverclyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence has (a) included and (b) made an assessment of the potential merits of including low dose Naltrexone on its RAPID C-19 programme. (117663)
- 229 Tracey Crouch (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the policy paper entitled Women's Health Strategy for England, published 30 August 2022, CP 736, what recent progress he has made on relieving (a) financial and (b) other practical burdens to gain access to IVF for female same-sex couples.

- **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is assessing the specific fertility needs of transgender men to help make IVF access more inclusive. (117552)
- **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has plans to increase the level of funding for research into the (a) causes of and (b) treatments for Tourette syndrome. (117553)
- **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence to provide guidance on (a)

 Tourette Syndrome and (b) other tic disorders. (117554)
- **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to take steps to improve the quality of training on (a) Tourette's syndrome and (b) other tic disorders for service providers.

 (117555)
- **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has plans to increase the number of specialist practitioners (a) researching and (b) treating Tourette Syndrome. (117556)
- **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure that specialist medical services are accessible in all regions of England. (117557)
- 236 Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent progress his Department has made on the delivery of the NHS Special Schools Eye Care Service. (117973)
- **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his policy is on the provision of primary ophthalmic services for children in non-residential special schools. (117974)
- 238NGeraint Davies (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the findings of the National Diabetes Audit Young People with Type 2 Diabetes Report 2019-20, published by NHS Digital on 12 August 2021; what assessment he has made of the implications for his Department's policies of the prevalence of type 2 diabetes in under 40's being four times higher in the most deprived areas than in the least deprived areas; and whether he is taking steps to reduce inequalities in type 2 diabetes risk among young adults and children living in more and less deprived areas. (117412)
- 239 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the findings of the research article, Heightened COVID-19 Mortality in People With Severe Mental Illness Persists After Vaccination: A Cohort Study of Greater

- Manchester Residents, published in the Schizophrenia Bulletin in August 2022; and whether his Department is taking steps to protect patients with severe mental illness from covid-19. (117706)
- 240 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to encourage covid-19 vaccine take-up in patients with severe mental illness. (117707)
- 241 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of patients waited for 12 hours or longer from their arrival at an accident and emergency department in each month of the past three years for which data are available. (117935)
- 242 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people died following delays in emergency care in each week of 2022. (117936)
- 243 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people died while waiting over (a) six, (b) 12, (c) 18 and (d) 24 hours for an ambulance in 2022.
- 244 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of prostate cancer patients are asymptomatic when they are first diagnosed. (117541)
- 245 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of introducing a national screening programme for prostate cancer. (117542)
- 246 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department spent on (a) the prototype dental contract reform programme and (b) the first stage of dental contract reform. (117786)
- Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 21 November 2022 to Question 88835 on Food:

 Advertising, when he plans to publish an assessment of the impact of extending the delay to restrictions banning the advertisement of unhealthy food products before 9pm and online paid advertisements.

 (117975)
- 248 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to Section 9 Conflicts of interest in the Policy paper entitled Independent Medicines and Medical Devices Safety Review: update report on government implementation, published on 22 December 2022, and the Patient Representative Working Group, what patient groups were represented on that Working Group; how those patient groups were chosen and by whom; how many people in total were in the Working Group; and how many times the Working Group had met as on 6 January 2023. (117892)

- **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the effect on public health of shortages of the prescription drug Topamax; and if he will make a statement.

 (117949)
- **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he will make an estimate of the number of whistleblowing incidents in the NHS in each of the past five years. (117725)
- **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the total amount spent by NHS trusts (a) on employment tribunals and (b) compensation awards to people found to have been unfairly dismissed after whistleblowing. (117726)
- **Sir George Howarth** (Knowsley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of delaying the implementation of the TV and online unhealthy food advertising restrictions to October 2025 on (a) rates of childhood obesity and (b) meeting the 2030 ambition to halve childhood obesity. (117480)
- **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to the letter sent by the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health, the Joint Council for Cosmetic Practitioners and the British Beauty Council concerning regulations on non-surgical aesthetic procedures on 26 October 2022. (117487)
- **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to (a) update the policy paper entitled Alcohol Strategy, published on 23 March 2012, CM 8336 and (b) commission a new alcohol strategy; and what recent assessment he has made into the potential merits of implementing minimum unit pricing. (117889)
- **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what funding he plans to allocate to fund places at the Three Counties Medical School in Worcester. (117828)
- 256 Rachel Maclean (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many funded places his Department intends to provide at the Three Counties Medical School in Worcester. (117829)
- **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the take-up of free health checks by over-40s in each local authority area in each of the last four years for which data is available.

 (117593)
- **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to enable CQC investigations to report on issues outside their statutory scope. (117675)

- 259 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to help agree a negotiation framework on NHS staff pay with trade union representatives. (117678)
- 260 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps to encourage NHS partner organisations including (a) businesses and (b) voluntary, community and social enterprises to participate in social prescribing programmes. (117687)
- 261 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will discuss a long term pay plan with NHS unions. (117689)
- 262 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to prepare and implement an NHS workforce plan to ensure effective incontinence management for patients, including adequate provision of pelvic physiotherapy for all patients who require it. (117691)
- 263NRachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will conduct a review of the types of prescription drugs which are (a) exempt and (b) are not exempt from payment for people with long term medical conditions. (117692)
- 264 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the statement made by Daren Mochrie of the Association of Ambulance Chief Executives in oral evidence to the Health and Social Care Select Committee on 20 December 2022 that NHS England is working on a revised or a new urgent and emergency care strategy, when he expects to publish that strategy.
- 265 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the statement made by Daren Mochrie of the Association of Ambulance Chief Executives in oral evidence to the Health and Social Care Select Committee on 20 December 2022 that NHS England is working on a revised or a new urgent and emergency care strategy, what the scope of that strategy is; and what he expects it will achieve.
- 266 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of how effectively the measures in the draft Mental Health Bill would facilitate early intervention measures where mental health concerns are raised in relation to children and other young people; and what his proposed timetable is for bringing forward the Mental Health Bill. (117698)
- 267 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps his Department has taken to improve access to NHS-funded IVF services for women in the West Midlands. (117425)

- 268 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Department is taking to review and address regional discrepancies in the provision of IVF services as outlined in the Women's Health Strategy. (117426)
- 269 **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to address disparities in access to NHS-funded IVF services for couples in England. (117427)
- 270 **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much NHS funding was provided to outpatient paediatric ophthalmology services in 2021-22. (117419)
- 271 **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many outpatient (a) paediatric ophthalmology, (b) optometry and (c) orthoptic appointments for children under 19 years of age were (i) missed as the patient did not attend or (ii) cancelled in 2021-22. (117420)
- 272 **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what was the average waiting time for an outpatient paediatric ophthalmology appointment in 2021-22. (117421)
- 273 **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much NHS funding was spent on general ophthalmic services in 2021-22; and what proportion of that funding was on (a) NHS sight tests and (b) NHS optical vouchers, including for repairs and replacements. (117422)
- 274 Holly Mumby-Croft (Scunthorpe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has taken recent steps to help increase awareness amongst GPs of cancer symptoms in patients aged between 18 and 50.

 (117961)
- 275 **Holly Mumby-Croft** (Scunthorpe): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help increase the diagnosis rate of cancer at stages one and two in adults aged between 18 and 50. (117962)
- 276 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether NHS funding has increased in line with inflation in total since 2010.
- 277 Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of delaying the implementation of the TV and online unhealthy food advertising restrictions to October 2025 on (a) rates of childhood obesity and (b) meeting the 2030 ambition to halve childhood obesity.
- 278 Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the reasons for which the food industry requires more time to prepare for restrictions on television advertising of products high in fat, salt or sugar. (117777)

- Abena Oppong-Asare (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that pharmacies in Erith and Thamesmead constituency have an adequate antibiotics, including those used to treat Strep A. (117840)
- John Penrose (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon.
 Member for Weston-super-Mare of 31 October 2022 and 2 December 2022 on covid-19 vaccine safety.
- 281 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps to encourage NHS managers to use (a) promotions (b) increments and (c) flexibilities in pay scales to retain and motivate staff.

 (117392)
- 282 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has had with NHS staff on (a) conditions of employment, (b) workload and (c) other non pay matters affecting recruitment and retention.

 (117393)
- 283 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help recruit more permanent staff to the NHS and reduce dependence on Agency staff.

 (117394)
- 284 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many senior managers in the NHS, including NHS Trusts and administrative bodies, earn over £100,000 a year. (117395)
- 285 **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps to increase the number of beds in NHS hospitals.

 (117396)
- 286 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the UK-South Africa health partnership; and if he will make a statement. (117499)
- 287 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase the level of recruitment of care home workers.

 (117500)
- 288 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase staffing levels in A&E departments. (117501)
- 289 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to support local councils with the recruitment of foster carers. (117502)

- 290 **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to issue contracts for the management of NHS health data to Palantir. (117985)
- 291 Alex Sobel (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to take steps to establish trials on the use of Bedrocan cannabis medicines for paediatric drug-resistant epilepsy. (117972)
- 292 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, where flu vaccines in use by the NHS during winter 2022-23 were manufactured.

(117442)

- 293 **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many medical students are studying in the UK. (117444)
- 294 John Spellar (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help reduce the cost of the charge to the NHS for antibiotics.
 (117449)
- 295 John Spellar (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many prescriptions for cannabis-based medicines have been issued since those prescriptions became legal.
 (117459)
- 296 Alexander Stafford (Rother Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many people have had a limb amputated in the last five years, in each Parliamentary constituency. (117800)
- 297 **Liz Twist** (Blaydon): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether it remains his Department's policy to narrow the gap in healthy life expectancy between areas where it is highest and lowest by 2030. (117924)
- 298 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help ensure the availability of cannabis-based medicines on the NHS for patients with epilepsy. (117743)
- 299 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of a finding in a survey by Savanta ComRes that one in six people agreed that difficulty of getting an in-person family doctor appointment meant they had carried out medical treatment on their own or asked somebody else to do so who was not a medical professional.
- 300 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussion he has had with NHS hospital leaders on (a) ambulance queues outside NHS hospitals and (b) long A&E waiting times.
- 301 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what is the waiting time for a 999 ambulance call. (117755)

- 302 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to increase the availability of NHS hospital beds.

 (117756)
- 303 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many NHS hospital beds are occupied by medically-fit patients who cannot be discharged due to a lack of social care. (117757)
- 304 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to help enable local authorities to provide more adult social care for patients in hospitals who cannot be discharged due to a lack of social care.

 (117758)
- 305 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has had with local authorities on increasing social care capacity. (117759)
- 306 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to reduce A&E waiting times in NHS hospitals. (117760)
- 307 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment has his department made of the adequacy of the (a) number and (b) accessibility of public access automated external defibrillators. (117819)
- 308 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to take steps to review the (a) number and (b) accessibility of public access automated external defibrillators. (117820)
- 309 **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much and what proportion of
 humanitarian aid to East Africa was spent on nutrition support in the 2021-22
 financial year. (117469)
- 310 **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, which UK-funded aid programmes in
 East Africa have had reduced levels of funding since 2020. (117470)
- 311 **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the Gulf Strategy Fund
 supports any work in prisons in Saudi Arabia. (117472)
- 312 **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent representations he has
 made to his counterpart in Pakistan on (a) the persecution of Ahmadi Muslims and
 (b) the alleged desecration of Ahmadi places of worship in that country. (117473)

- 313 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the Government plans
 to provide (a) political advocacy and (b) consulate-style support to protestors
 detained in Iran.

 (117891)
- 314 Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with his European counterparts on the reasons for which the value of imports between Russia and most EU countries increased between 2021 and 2022; and if he will make an assessment of the effectiveness of sanctions placed on Russia by (a) the UK and (b) its allies.
- 315 **Sir James Duddridge** (Rochford and Southend East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the implications for his Department's policies of the democracy movement in Eswatini. (117530)
- 316 **Sir James Duddridge** (Rochford and Southend East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many full time equivalent staff his Department has in Eswatini. (117531)
- 317 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when he will provide the Government's response to the First Report of the International Development Committee, Racism in the aid sector, HC 150, published on 14 June 2022; and for what reason he is yet to provide the Government response to that report. (117787)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will publish data on the diversity of (a) staff who have joined his Department in each of the last five years and (b) all staff in his Department. (117788)
- 319 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the WTO General Council decision to extend deadline for the TRIPS Council to reach agreement on waiving patent protections for covid-19 tests and treatments by six months, whether his Department has made an assessment of the effect of that decision on (a) the rate of covid-19 infections, (b) the rate of covid-19 related deaths in the global south and (c) the Government's commitments to promote equitable access to vaccines and global health security.
- 320 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 19 December 2022 to Question 105356, what representations he has made to (a) the UNFCCC and (b) other parties on the (i) aims and (ii) priorities of the transitional committee for the loss and damage fund; and if he will make a statement. (117790)

- 321 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that the implementation of the Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict strategy prioritises support and accountability for children who have experienced sexual violence in conflict.
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he is taking steps to help ensure that international war crimes investigations are politically and financially supported to embed child-specific expertise throughout their investigations. (117911)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the provisional findings of the Independent International Commission of Inquiry for Ukraine on levels of sexual and gender-based violence committed against children, what recent steps his Department has taken to help ensure that perpetrators of sexual violence against children in Ukraine are held accountable for their actions. (117912)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his counterparts in India on access to justice for British nationals who own property in that country and have been victims of fraud. (117951)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has taken recent steps to help support media freedom in Somalia. (117976)
- 326 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of
 the (a) political and (b) economic situation in Burkina Faso. (117847)
- 327 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the
 political situation in The Gambia; and if he will make a statement. (117848)
- 328 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the
 implications for his policies of the rising number of covid-19 cases in China; and if
 he will make a statement.

 (117849)
- 329 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with
 the Irish Government on the death of Pte Seán Rooney in Lebanon. (117850)
- 330 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has had recent discussions with the International Cricket Council on the participation of Afghan women and girls in cricket.

 [R] (117638)

- 331 **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with his Azerbaijani counterpart on the blocking of the Lachin corridor between Nagorno-Karabakh and Armenia.

 [R] (117410)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the parliamentary ratification of the World Health Organisation Pandemic Treaty.
 (117641)
- 333 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many people attended the
 Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict Initiative Conference; and how many and
 what proportion of these were from outside the UK. (117734)
- 334 Kate Osamor (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether any people invited to the
 Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict Initiative Conference were unable to attend
 because their visa applications were (a) rejected and (b) not processed in time. (117735)
- 335 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if his Department will make an
 assessment of the potential impact of the Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict
 Initiative Conference on levels of sexual violence in conflicts in the next five years.

 (117736)
- 336 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether participants at the Preventing
 Sexual Violence in Conflict Initiative Conference will be able to provide feedback
 on the conference.

 (117737)
- John Penrose (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, when she plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Weston-super-Mare of 27 October 2022 and 24 November 2022 on behalf of his constituent Mrs Jennifer Humphreys on women's rights.
 (117538)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with
 his European Union counterparts on the subject of alleged lobbying activity in
 relation to Qatar; and if he will make an assessment of the implications for his
 policies of the potential impact of recent alleged lobbying activities on diplomatic
 relations between Europe and the Middle East.

 (117488)
- 339 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether ministers in his Department
 plans to visit Bulgaria. (117492)

- 340 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what proportion Official Development
 Assistance is spent on (a) environmental conservation and (b) environmental
 conservation in British Overseas Territories in each of the last three years. (117495)
- 341 Naz Shah (Bradford West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to hold further
 discussions with his Egyptian counterpart on (a) the release of and (b) access to
 consular support for Alaa Abd El-Fattah. (117620)
- 342 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has taken steps to help ensure the safety of protestors in Iran. (117464)
- 343 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing new sanctions on Iran in response to the human rights violations against protestors in that country. (117465)
- 344 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to tackle the sale of Iranian-made drones to hostile states. (117466)
- John Spellar (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to his Answer to the hon. Member for Warley on 13 December 2022, Official Report, column 874, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of proscribing the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps.
 (117439)
- Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps the Government is taking to
 (a) monitor and (b) mitigate against the potential effect of rises in the number of covid-19 cases in China.
- 347 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what proportion of non-Official Development Assistance departmental spending has been committed to the Asia-Pacific region in each year since 2010.
- 348 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many Ministerial-level visits have taken place to Asia-Pacific nations in each year since 2010. (117750)
- 349 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many visits to the Asia Pacific region have been undertaken by senior Civil Service officials in each year since 2010.

- 350 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many UK-based staff in his Department have been solely focused on relations with Asia Pacific nations in each year since 2010. (117752)
- 351 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to help provide resources to Somalia and Somaliland, in the context of drought in 2022. (117581)
- 352 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his counterparts in (a) Somalia and (b) Somaliland on the status of Somaliland.

 (117582)
- 353 **Lee Anderson** (Ashfield): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if her Department will make an assessment of the potential merits of undertaking an inquiry into historic abuse at Medomsley Detention Centre. (117928)
- 354 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to respond to correspondence via email dated 21 November 2022 from the hon. Member for Liverpool, Walton on Mehdsam Oso.

 (117895)
- Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, when she plans to respond to the email of 21 November 2022 from
 the hon. Member for Liverpool, Walton on Madleen Algawasmeh. (117896)
- 356 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to respond to the email of 21 November 2022 from the hon. Member for Liverpool, Walton on Habiba Binte Jahan. (117897)
- 357 Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 21 December 2022 to Question 111599 on Mears Group and Migrant Help: Contracts, whether her Department has attributed any ODA costs to (a) originations or (b) projects and programmes under its contracts with (i) Mears Group and (ii) Migrant Help. (117597)
- 358 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much funding from the public purse has been provided to charities that specialise in providing support to the families of survivors of child sexual abuse.(117865)
- Philip Davies (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum seekers who have had their applications rejected in each of the last five years have (a) accommodation and (b) financial support provided to them from the public purse. (117532)

360 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of asylum seekers who have had their applications rejected in each of the last five years are having (a) accommodation and (b) financial support paid for through the public purse as of 6 January 2022.

(117533)

- 361 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent discussions her Department has had with the Northern Ireland (a) Executive Office, (b) Department for Communities and (c) Housing Executive on sourcing accommodation for asylum seekers in Northern Ireland. (117923)
- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the rules on graduate visas in instances where international students are unable to apply for a new visa before their current one expires due to extenuating circumstances. (117792)
- 363 **Sir Mark Hendrick** (Preston): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will take steps to ensure that children are given British citizenship when they are born outside the UK to British parents in same-sex couples. (117479)
- 364 **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Albanian nationals have voluntarily been transferred from UK prisons to detention in Albania in the last year. (117405)
- 365 **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Albanian nationals held in immigration detention centres in the UK have subsequently been subject to criminal charges in the last 2 years. (117406)
- Tim Loughton (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many migrants awaiting determination of status in the UK and subject to electronic tagging have broken the conditions of the tag in the last 2 years by nationality. (117407)
- 367 Rachel Maclean (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, how many full-time equivalent employees are employed in equality,
 diversity and inclusions roles by police forces in England. (117802)
- 368 Rachel Maclean (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home

 Department, whether her Department is taking steps to prevent registered sex

 offenders changing their gender without the knowledge of the police. (117806)
- Rachel Maclean (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, with reference to the Independent report entitled IICSA: report of
 the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse published 14 December 2022,
 what assessment she has made of the potential merits of Recommendation 15 on
 victims of child sexual abuse.

 (117816)

- 370 Rachel Maclean (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, with reference to the Domestic Homicides and Suspected Victim
 Suicides report 2021-2022, published
 25 August 2021; what methods her Department used to collect that report's
 data on gender reassignment; whether the gender reassignment data (a) reflects
 self-declared gender and (b) requires an individual to have a Gender Recognition
 Certificate to be counted.
- 371 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether it is her Department's policy that internationally recruited nurses should not stay in the same hotels as refugees. (117673)
- 372 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, for what reason Border Forces detain people with valid student visas
 on arrival in the UK; and if she will take steps to end this practice. (117674)
- 373 Caroline Nokes (Romsey and Southampton North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many incidents of illegal pony and trap racing were recorded by police forces in England in the last 12 months. (117568)
- 374 John Penrose (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Weston-super-Mare of 2 November 2022 and 1 December 2022 on behalf of his constituent Michelle Michael on visa applications for a Ukrainian family.
 (117536)
- John Penrose (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she will respond to the correspondence of 4 November and 5 December 2022 from the hon. Member for Weston-super-Mare on indefinite leave to remain for Arif Shabbir. (117537)
- John Penrose (Weston-super-Mare): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon.
 Member for Weston-super-Mare of 6 October 2022 and 24 November 2022 on temporary rights to work within the UK.
- 377 Andrew Percy (Brigg and Goole): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make it her policy to proscribe the Wagner Group as a terrorist organisation. (117549)
- 378 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, what steps she is taking to help protect Hindu communities from (a)
 religious- and (b) racially-motivated hate crime. (117491)
- John Spellar (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department,what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the performance of ActionFraud. (117454)

- Justin Tomlinson (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of permitting Tier 2 ICT visa holders, who had switched to a Skilled Worker visa, to be allowed to use their time spent on a Tier 2 ICT visas as a route to settlement in the UK. (117580)
- Jon Trickett (Hemsworth): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many email enquiries from hon. Members are awaiting a response from the Passport Office as of 6 January 2023. (117463)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to ensure that all accommodation for armed forces personnel is heated during winter. (117842)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to modernise personal weaponry in the British Army. (117843)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment has he made of the adequacy of the standard of accommodation for armed forces personnel. (117844)
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to modernise accommodation for armed forces personnel.

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- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many accommodation properties for armed forces personnel (a) owned or (b) maintained by his Department are in a state of disrepair. (117846)
- **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much and what proportion of his Department's procurement spend was spent in each UK region in 2022; and what the per capita expenditure was for each region. (117868)
- **Mr David Jones** (Clwyd West): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to EU Permanent Structured Cooperation (PESCO) arrangements on military mobility, whether his Department plans to participate in any other PESCO arrangements. (117508)
- **Mr David Jones** (Clwyd West): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent discussions his Department has had with its US counterparts on the participation by the UK and US in the EU Permanent Structured Cooperation (PESCO) arrangements. (117509)
- **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps he is taking to help ensure that NLAW anti-tank missile stocks will be replenished in early 2023. (117437)
- **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made of the availability of qualified legal aid solicitors for asylum seekers.

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- Tom Hunt (Ipswich): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether the Government is taking steps to ensure that the legal framework adequately allows grandparents to maintain relationships with their grandchildren following parental separation. (117907)
- **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps his Department is taking to (a) publicise and (b) promote the (i) role and (ii) importance of lasting power of attorney orders. (117921)
- 394 Rachel Maclean (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether HM Prisons and Probation Service's Pride in Prison and Probation staff network has (a) full-time and (b) part-time staff employed to support it; and whether that staff network receives funding from the service to cover its (i) operating costs and (ii) activities.
- **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether HM Prisons and Probation Service has had recent discussions with the Pride in Prison and Probation staff network on the care and management of transgender people within the Prison and Probation service. (117804)
- **Rachel Maclean** (Redditch): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what guidance they have issued to providers of domestic violence refuges regarding the provision of single-sex facilities. (117805)
- **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what safeguards his Department has in place within the County Court system to help ensure that the names of parties to court cases are accurately recorded and are updated if a person's name is changed, including following a divorce, during the course of court proceedings. (117433)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps HMPPS is taking to ensure its data collection methods accurately record the experiences of people from Gypsy, Roma, and Traveller backgrounds. (117913)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of the UK prison population have (a) pre-existing mental health conditions and (b) learning difficulties. (117914)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the report by the Traveller Movement entitled Disrupting the School to Prison Pipeline, published on 2 August 2022; and if he will take steps to implement the recommendations of that report.
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of mental health support provision in the Prisons Estate. (117916)

Stephen Morgan (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to improve prison safety for people from ethnic minorities.

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- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of trends in the level of mental ill health in prisoners on HM Prison Service. (117918)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the cost of living crisis on the prison population in England and Wales. (117919)
- **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department has put support mechanisms in place to help support young people from ethnic minorities to transition to the adult prison estate. (117920)
- **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, if he will make an estimate of the number of rape victims who withdrew from their cases in each of the last 12 years. (117603)
- **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of rapists failed to attend court for their sentencing in the latest period for which data is available. (117605)
- **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many convictions in absence have there been in each of the last 12 years. (117606)
- **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average length of time spent on bail has been in each year since 2010. (117607)
- **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many probate cases are under consideration in England; and what proportion of those cases have been waiting for a decision for six weeks or more. (117447)
- **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what expenditure has been incurred through New Deal for Northern Ireland funding as of 1 January 2023. (117869)
- **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what plans he has to use funding guaranteed through the New Deal for Northern Ireland financial package to support skills and employability measures. (117870)
- 413 Ian Paisley (North Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what the current status is of the outstanding (a) development proposals affecting integrated schools and (b) other Northern Ireland Department of Education development proposals. (117591)
- **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, how much annual funding the Government provides to Police Service Northern Ireland.

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- 415 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Prime Minister, for what reason he is registered with a private GP practice; and whether he would consider registering with a NHS GP practice. (117761)
- 416 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Prime Minister, if he will make an assessment of the compatibility of his registration with a private GP practise and his role as leader for the policy and decisions of Government on the NHS.
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, by how much gross domestic product per hour of work has changed since 2010; and if he will make a comparative estimate of the level of change in other G7 countries.
- **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, by how much median household income per person has changed in absolute terms since 2010; and if he will make a comparative estimate of the level of change in other G7 countries.
- **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what proportion of funds lost due to fraud and error in Covid loans schemes have been recovered; and what steps his Department is taking to (a) recover lost funds and (b) investigate fraudulent companies.
- **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of bringing forward legislative proposals to require that assets which (a) are held by and (b) have been transferred (i) to, (ii) from and (iii) within a trust must always have a clearly defined beneficial owner.
- **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of introducing an option of a repayment holiday for student loans as part of his package of cost of living support for people on low incomes. (117875)
- **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for what reason the £150 million additional energy support package for disabled people was calculated at the rate proposed. (117672)
- 423 Mark Pawsey (Rugby): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether organisations which generate energy for their own use will be included in the Electricity Generator Levy. (117569)
- **Mark Pawsey** (Rugby): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the Electricity Generator Levy will only apply to net exports of energy from an organisation. (117570)

- **Mark Pawsey** (Rugby): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of applying the Electricity Generator Levy to (a) water companies, (b) local authorities and (c) other organisations that generate energy for their own use on (i) water bills and (ii) council tax rates. (117571)
- 426 Mark Pawsey (Rugby): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the Electricity Generator Levy will apply to Food Waste Anaerobic Digestion generation. (117572)
- **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department has a target for the maximum timescale between an application being submitted for VAT registration and it being granted. (117390)
- **John Redwood** (Wokingham): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of recent trends in the time taken to process businesses' applications for VAT registration. (117391)
- **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of uncapping bankers bonuses on tax revenue.

 (117493)
- **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when the review of the impact of private equity launched in July 2021 will conclude, and if he will place a copy of the findings of that review in the House of Commons Library. (117741)
- **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of the underlying causes of concerns relating to liability driven investment funds in the pensions industry in 2022; and what lessons his Department has learned about the operation of these funds during this period.(117451)
- **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if his Department will make an assessment of the level of potential (a) inefficiencies and (b) inequalities in credit scoring systems. (117452)
- **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department has made an assessment of potential trends in the level of discrimination of people from ethnic minority backgrounds in the provision of insurance.

 (117453)
- **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to UK100's report entitled End the wait. Insulate. Social housing energy efficiency and the energy crisis, published November 2022, what assessment he has made of the impact on his Department's policies of that report's recommendations on a place-based approach to allocating funding for social housing energy efficiency measures. (117797)
- **Alexander Stafford** (Rother Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps he is taking to improve (a) procurement and (b) delivery of Net Zero project investment.

 (117798)

436 **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, whether she plans to take steps to enable opposite-sex couples to convert a civil partnership to marriage. (117475)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 11 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answers of 13 December 2022 to Question 102902 on Unemployment: Energy and Question 102903 on Social Security Benefits: Disability, how many (a) disabled people were in receipt of disability benefits and (b) unemployed people were on pre-payment meters in the first six months of the 2022-23 financial year. (117696)
- 2N **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has had recent discussions with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of extending the Energy Bill Relief Scheme for charities. (117657)
- 3N **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he will bring forward legislative proposals to allow English Sparkling Wine to be sole in pint and half litre bottles.

 (117409)
- 4N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, if he will make an estimate of the number of households that have been visited by (a) debt collectors and (b) bailiffs due to the non-payment of energy bills in the last 12 months; and whether his Department is taking steps to monitor trends in this data. (117699)
- 5N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department is taking steps to prevent debt collectors and bailiffs from making demands on people who are (a) behind with their energy payments and (b) in fuel poverty. (117700)
- 6N Anne McLaughlin (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether additional support payments for those living off gas grid will be available to those (a) on Economy 7 tariffs and (b) using electric only heating systems. (117659)
- 7N Anne McLaughlin (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether specific financial support for people in off gas grid homes will be available in 2023/24. (117660)

- 8N Grahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when he will respond to the correspondence of 1 November 2022 from the hon. Member for Easington on the Office of Life Sciences and the support for domestic-based generic pharmaceutical manufacturers. (117566)
- 9N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how much funding has been provided to Trading Standards (a) nationally and (b) by local authority in each of the last five years. (117772)
- 10N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what recent estimate his Department has made of number of (a) businesses and (b) individuals that are qualified to implement retrofitting measures in (i) homes and (ii) other buildings in England. (117779)
- 11N Abena Oppong-Asare (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of recipients receiving the Warm Homes Discount earlier in the Winter; what discussions he and his official have had with the energy suppliers on the timing of those payments; and if he will make a statement.
- 12N Matthew Pennycook (Greenwich and Woolwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, when the eligibility, timescales and method of delivery for the Energy Bill Support Scheme Alternative Funding will be announced.

 (117742)
- 13N **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what (a) support and (b) advice the Government provides to small businesses facing higher costs when importing from the EU as a result of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement. (117483)
- 14N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, what recent steps she has taken with her Cabinet colleagues to ensure that all children of (a) primary and (b) secondary school age receive tuition in (i) swimming, (ii) swimming life-saving skills and (iii) water safety. (117688)
- 15N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when her Department plans to publish the responses it received to the public consultation on the SEND and AP Provision Green Paper. (117727)
- 16N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment she has made of the level of demand for school places for children with special educational needs and disabilities in Birmingham, Selly Oak constituency. (117431)
- 17N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many further education college infrastructure projects are affected by the reclassification of colleges. (117559)

- 18N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help support sixth-form colleges with rises in the cost of energy.

 (117561)
- 19N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help support sixth-form colleges with costs associated with increases in the level of inflation. (117562)
- 20N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 2 December 2022 to Question 98899 on Free School Meals, what estimate she has made of the proportion of children in each region of England who are entitled to free school meals but have not applied for them. (117901)
- 21N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the speech made by the Prime Minister on 4 January 2023, what estimate she has made of the number of additional maths teachers required to enable all children to study mathematics until the age of 18. (117905)
- 22N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many of the qualified meat inspectors working for the Food Standards Agency are employees; and how many of these are (a) permanent, (b) temporary, (c) casual and (d) agency employees. (117461)
- 23N **Mr Clive Betts** (Sheffield South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what is the hourly rate of pay for (a) employed and (b) agency trained meet inspectors at the Food Standard Agency.

 (117462)
- 24N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has had recent discussions with the Secretary of State for International Trade on ensuring parity of (a) animal welfare and (b) environmental standards in food production in future trade deals. (117984)
- 25N **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the press release published 28 September 2020 entitled PM commits to protect 30% of UK land in boost for biodiversity, what percentage of (a) land and (b) sea is currently protected. (117981)
- 26N **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has plans to phase out the caging of laying hens by 2027. (117560)
- 27N Chris Stephens (Glasgow South West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has had discussions with the RCVS Veterinary Nurses Council on changing the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to (a) replace the criminal standard of proof with the civil standard and (b) make improvements to the Fitness to Practise disciplinary system. (117662)

- 28N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has had recent discussions with the Environment Agency on taking steps to prevent developers from misconnecting pipes in new homes and causing the leakage of sewage into waterways. (117506)
- 29N Hilary Benn (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department is having discussions with the owners of Cartier House in Leeds Dock on remediating unsafe cladding and other fire safety risks; and whether his Department has agreed to provide funding from The Building Safety Fund to help support the cost of addressing related fire-safety risks at Cartier House.
- 30N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much (a) council tax (b) business rates remained uncollected in England at the end of (i) 2019-20, (ii) 2020/21 and (iii) 2021/22. (117423)
- 31N **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of local authorities allocating funding to waking watches in tower blocks. (117511)
- 32N **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what estimate his Department has made of the number of empty residential properties in England. (117450)
- 33N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of progress on the target to end rough sleeping by 2024; and if he will make a statement. (117413)
- 34N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 20 Dec 2022 to Question 111701 on Train Operating Companies: Investment Income, if he will publish this information with companies' names redacted. (117808)
- 35N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make it his policy to give the Civil Aviation Authority power to directly fine airlines who break consumer law. (117825)
- 36N Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has taken recent steps to help ensure that there is adequate bus service provision in rural areas. (117982)
- 37N **Helen Morgan** (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the impact of driving test centre closures on the availability of driving tests in each year since 2015. (117983)

- 38N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment has been made on the adequacy of the Cost of Living Payments for disabled people who have higher energy usage and are not on means tested benefits. (117831)
- 39N Ian Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Answer of 8 December 2022 to Question 103036 on Cost of Living Payments: Medical Equipment, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of the £150 Disability Cost of Living Payment. (117834)
- 40N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Answer of 8 December 2022 to Question 103036 on Cost of Living Payments: Medical Equipment, if he will increase the Disability Cost of Living Payment. (117835)
- 41N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, which topics are included in initial training for work coaches. (117414)
- 42N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether work coaches receive training on (a) potential barriers to employment for disabled people and (b) how to support disabled jobseekers who may be experiencing such barriers; and if he will make a statement. (117415)
- 43N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential impact on youth employment of the abolition of traineeships, announced on 12 December 2022.

 (117416)
- 44N **Alan Brown** (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of establishing a compensation scheme for people who have been harmed by sodium valproate.

 (117667)
- 45N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase NHS dental provision for vulnerable NHS patients in Slough constituency. (117933)
- 46N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to ensure that vulnerable NHS patients who experience difficulties with communication have adequate access to NHS dental care.
- 47N **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential impact of delaying the introduction of legislation to protect children from junk food advertising until 2025. (117658)

- 48N Sarah Green (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring (a) Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and West Berkshire Integrated Care Board and (b) other integrated care boards to provide fees to care homes which are (i) in line with and (ii) above inflation.
- 49N Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he is taking steps to negotiate with nursing unions on (a) resolving the strikes and (b) other issues affecting the sector. (117971)
- 50N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential implications for his policies of ONS data showing that excess deaths in England and Wales were higher than the five-year average in September, October and November 2022; what steps he is taking to help reduce excess deaths; and if he will make a statement. (117873)
- 51N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of when the Committee on Toxicity of Food, Consumer Products and the Environment will publish its final position on the toxicological risks associated with oral nicotine pouches. (117931)
- 52N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to reduce waiting times for Children and Adolescent Mental Health services assessments in Feltham and Heston constituency.

 (117592)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has taken recent steps to prepare for the need to implement an effective vaccination programme in the event of an epidemic or pandemic. (117677)
- 54N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reason his Department does not keep a centralised record of implanted medical devices which would allow the effective future identification of all affected patients in case of faults or risks being identified; and if he will take steps to create such a database. (117690)
- 55N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress he has made on considering the potential merits of establishing a public inquiry into the adequacy of mental health services provided (a) by Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust and (b) in England. (117702)
- 56N **Stephen M**'Partland (Stevenage): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what proportion of NHS staff have received the flu vaccination in (a) 2022 and (b) each of the last five years. (117579)
- 57N Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Autumn Statement 2022, published on 17 November 2022, CP 751, how much and what proportion of the additional

- funding allocated to enable rapid action to improve urgent and emergency, elective, and primary care performance will be provided to the NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin Integrated Care Board. (117979)
- 58N Helen Morgan (North Shropshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment he has made of the reasons for delays to category 1 and 2 ambulance responses in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin. (117980)
- 59N Grahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to tackle supply issues affecting antibiotics for the treatment of Strep A. (117564)
- 60N Grahame Morris (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with generic drug manufacturers on increasing the supply of antibiotics affected by the serious shortage protocols. (117565)
- 61N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many units of dental activity were delivered in each of the last five years. (117783)
- 62N Taiwo Owatemi (Coventry North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to recommendation 16 of the Compensation and redress for the victims of infected blood: recommendations for a framework report, published on 7 June 2022. when the Government will establish an armslength body to administer compensation to people affected by the infected blood scandal. (117872)
- 63N Wes Streeting (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which NHS (a) Trusts and (b) Integrated Care Boards have declared a Critical Incident or Operational Pressures Escalation Level 4 status since 21 December. (117709)
- 64N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much funding his Department has provided for research into (a) prevention and (b) the treatment of cancer in each of the last 12 years. (117504)
- 65N Mr David Davis (Haltemprice and Howden): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he holds any information on how many people traffickers operating in the English Channel the French authorities have (a) arrested and (b) charged in each of the last five years.

(117460)

- 66N Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has taken recent steps to help reverse the Taliban's ban on (a) female aid workers and (b) women attending universities in Afghanistan. (117963)
- 67N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of trends in the level of migration of people from Cuba to the US in 2022. (117476)

- 68N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has taken
 steps to provide assistance to the Mexican government following reports of cartel
 violence following the arrest of Ovidio Guzman Lopez. (117477)
- 69N **Fabian Hamilton** (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is providing support to UK citizens in Culiacan, Mexico following reports of cartel violence in that region. (117478)
- 70N **John Howell** (Henley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of tensions between Serbia and Kosovo; and what steps he is taking to help reduce tensions in the region. (117548)
- 71N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what financial contributions the
 Government has made to the International Criminal Court's Trust Fund for Victims
 in each year since 2010. (117611)
- 72N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has made a recent assessment of potential merits of using the International Criminal Court's Trust Fund for Victims as a means of providing financial compensation to Ukrainian victims of international crimes within the terms of the Rome Statute of that court.

(117612)

- 73N **Dr Julian Lewis** (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many and what proportion of the places available in the first year under ACRS Pathway 3 have been filled, pending security checks, by eligible (a) British Council (i) contractors and (ii) contractors' family members, (b) GardaWorld (i) contractors and (ii) contractors' family members and (c) Chevening (i) Alumni and (ii) Alumni family members. (117403)
- 74N **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has taken recent steps to join initiatives of other Western countries relating to the Azerbaijani blockade of the Lachin Corridor.

 [R] (117411)
- 75N **Theresa Villiers** (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to proscribe the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps. (117505)
- 76N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many UK-based staff from his Department have been deployed to the (a) Embassy and (b) relevant consulates in China in each year since 2010.

77N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many UK-based staff from his Department have been deployed to the (a) Embassy and (b) relevant consulates in South Korea in each year since 2010.

(117745)

78N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many UK-based staff from his Department have been deployed to the (a) Embassy and (b) relevant consulates in Japan in each year since 2010.

(117746)

79N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many UK-based staff from his Department have been deployed to the (a) High Commission and (b) relevant consulates in Pakistan in each year since 2010.

(117747)

80N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many UK-based staff from his Department have been deployed to the (a) Embassy and (b) relevant consulates in Vietnam in each year since 2010. (117748)

- 81N Hywel Williams (Arfon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the potential long-term impacts of Russia's invasion of Ukraine on global food security; and what steps is he taking to mitigate these impacts. (117481)
- 82N Hywel Williams (Arfon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of potential impact of (a) 2022 supply constraints and (b) fertiliser costs on global food security in 2023; and what steps he is taking to improve global food security. (117482)
- 83N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Liverpool Walton, reference MPAM/0481709/22, what the technical issue is that delayed his constituent's case; and whether this technical issue has affected any other applications made to her Department. (117811)
- 84N Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of using remote legal advice in police custody on the (a) uptake of legal advice, (b) client confidence in legal advice and (c) the outcomes of detention interviews. (117946)
- 85N Tim Loughton (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many overseas nationals are imprisoned in the UK by nationality. (117404)
- 86N Steve McCabe (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether Ukrainian refugees living in other European countries are able to take holidays in the UK to visit family and friends. (117432)

- 87N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 3 January 2023 to Question 104227, in addition to the percentage figures provided, if she will she provide figures on the number of passports applications not fully processed within 10 weeks in each of the last three years.
- 88N **Mick Whitley** (Birkenhead): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps her Department is taking to reduce the time taken (a) to process asylum claims and (b) between asylum claims and (i) interviews and (ii) decisions.
- 89N **Mr David Jones** (Clwyd West): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, on what terms the UK will join the EU Permanent Structured Cooperation (PESCO) arrangements on military mobility. (117507)
- 90N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December 2022 to Question 108450 on Turkey:

 Armed Forces, whether the 51 troops include troops serving with NATO. (117809)
- 91N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will publish Land Forces Standing Order 3208. (117547)
- 92N **Janet Daby** (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he plans to review the Joint Interim Interview Protocol. (117944)
- 93N **Kate Hollern** (Blackburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment his Department has made on the availability of prison places in 2023.

 (117613)
- 94N **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many civil legal aid offices with a civil legal aid contract started zero cases by each (a) local authority and (b) area of law in the (i) 2020-21, (ii) 2021-22 and (iii) 2022-23 financial year.
- 95N **Tim Loughton** (East Worthing and Shoreham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how much public funds in the form legal aid were paid to Duncan Lewis Solicitors for immigration cases in each of the last 5 years. (117408)
- 96N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many operational prison cells were there in each year since 2010. (117599)
- 97N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made on the impact of court backlogs on length of bail times.

 (117600)
- 98N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average time was for rape cases to be completed in court in the latest period for which data is available. (117601)

99N **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average time was for rape cases to be completed in court in each year since 2010.

(117602)

- 100N**Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many and what proportion of murderers failed to attend court for their sentencing in the latest period for which data is available. (117604)
- 101N**Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, if he will have discussions with the Northern Ireland Housing Executive on the withdrawal of tenders for home maintenance contracts. (117484)
- 102NDan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of rent increases in the private rented sector on the rate of inflation. (117795)
- 103NDan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to Answer of 17 October 2022 to Question 61263 on Financial Services: Incentives, if he will take steps to conduct an impact assessment of the potential impacts of lifting the cap on bankers' bonuses, including on inflation rates. (117796)
- 104NRachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of taking steps to increase the budget available for the NHS pay settlement for 2023-24 in order to allow the NHS Pay Review Body to recommend a higher pay settlement for that year should it deem it appropriate.
- 105NJames Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Spring Statement Tax Plan published on 23 March 2022, if he will publish a summary of the discussions he has had with businesses on investment incentives.
- 106NJames Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with reference to the Spring Statement Tax Plan published 23 March 2022, if he will publish the results of Department's work on whether the current tax system is doing enough to incentivise businesses to invest in certain types of training. (117813)
- 107NJames Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will place in the House of Commons Library a summary of responses and Government response to the call for evidence: umbrella company market, which closed in February 2022. (117814)
- 108NJames Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will place in the House of Commons Library a summary of responses and government response to the taxation of decentralised finance involving the lending and staking of cryptoassets consultation, which closed in August 2022. (117815)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 12 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Ruth Cadbury (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the transparency data entitled Energy Bills Support Scheme GB: payments made by electricity suppliers to customers, published on 20 December 2022, what the total number of (a) payments delivered and (b) vouchers redeemed for people with prepayment meters was in the London Borough of Hounslow.
- 2N Rosie Duffield (Canterbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of including homes in Council Tax Band E in the ECO+ scheme. (117958)
- 3N Dame Nia Griffith (Llanelli): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, how many projects had been completed through the Green Deal in Llanelli Constituency as of 31 October 2022. (117524)
- 4N **Justin Madders** (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what discussions he has had with (a) relevant industry stakeholders and (b) trade unions on minimum service levels during official industrial action. (117642)
- Margaret Greenwood (Wirral West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to her Department's Department for Education consolidated annual report and accounts 2021 to 2022 published 19 December 2022, what estimate she has made of the number of (a) primary and (b) secondary schools in (i) England and (ii) Wirral West constituency that have buildings rated as very likely to collapse.
- 6N Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 20 December 2022 to Question 111600 on Holiday Activities and Food Programme, how much and what proportion of the funding allocated to each local authority was spent on (a) administration, (b) publicity and marketing, (c) activities, (d) transport, (e) staffing, (f) food (g) club provisions and (h) other expenses in the financial year2021-22.
- 7N Chris Grayling (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will take steps to accelerate the designation of Highly Protected Marine Areas in UK waters. (117486)
- 8N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, for what purpose was a hotel booking made by her Department at the Clermont Charing Cross costing £1,649.000 on the 14 September 2021; and how many nights did that booking include. (117616)

- 9N Ruth Cadbury (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, in reference to the answer to Question 454 in the oral evidence given to the International Trade Select Committee on 30 November 2022, if she will publish the analysis her Department has carried out on the long-term benefits of ISDS versus the risk.
- 10N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether her Department plans to publish an assessment of the impact of the Memorandum of understanding on cooperation and trade relations between South Carolina and the UK on the economy. (117618)
- 11N **Chris Grayling** (Epsom and Ewell): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, if she will permit the export of hexamine solid fuel tablets to Ukraine. (117485)
- 12N **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 16 November 2022 to Question 84800 on Elections: Proof of Identity what volume of watermarked paper for voter ID documents his Department has ordered as of 6 January 2023; and what proportion of such orders has been delivered.
- 13N Wera Hobhouse (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much revenue risk the Government has incurred from strike action by the transport unions since 1 January 2022; and what estimate he has made of the revenue risk the Government has incurred on the strike dates of (a) 24-27 December 2022, (b) 3-4 January 2023 and (c) 6-7 January 2023.
- 14N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department are taking to tackle medicine shortages.

 (117583)
- 15N Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department are taking to tackle antibiotic shortages.

 (117584)
- 16N **Alex Cunningham** (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department are taking to prevent community pharmacies making a loss when dispensing NHS prescriptions. (117585)
- 17N Alex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to provide additional support with sourcing medicines to community pharmacy teams. (117586)
- 18N Jessica Morden (Newport East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 8 November 2022 to Question 77355 on Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates: Regulation, for what reason his Department did not publish the public consultation on the draft legislation aimed at enabling the General Medical Council to regulate physician associates and anaesthesia associates by the end of 2022. (117525)

- 19N Alex Norris (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has a timetable for the introduction of legislative proposals to give care home residents a legal right to receive visitors. (117871)
- 20N Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, with reference to the statistics published by her Department entitled
 Police powers and procedures, published on 17 November 2022, if she will make it
 her policy to require the collection of specific offences currently identified as nonnotifiable offences for which children are detained in police custody.

 (117947)
- 21N Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, if she will make a comparative assessment of the number of children
 (a) detained in police custody and (b) remanded by criminal courts in each of the
 past three years.

 (117948)
- 22N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 3 January 2023 to Question 111601 on Visas: Ukraine, whether her Department (a) has undertaken and (b) plans to undertake research on the reasons for which 55,500 Ukrainian visa holders have not arrived in the UK since their visas were issued. (117608)
- 23N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department has taken recent steps to ensure that family groups are not prevented from entering the UK because one or more family members has not yet been issued with a visa. (117609)
- 24N **Jessica Morden** (Newport East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of taking steps to mark the contribution of (a) police officers and (b) other emergency workers killed in the line of duty. (117526)
- 25N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 30 November 2022 to Question 96647 on Armed Forces: Discharges, for what reason there is only one category for being medically discharged. (117866)
- 26N Luke Pollard (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 30 November 2022 to Question 96647 on Armed Forces: Discharges, for what reason his Department does not distinguish between physical and mental medical conditions in the medical discharge process.

 (117867)
- 27N Janet Daby (Lewisham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he plans to amend the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 to align with the changes to the criteria for the use of court remand for children introduced in the Policing, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022. (117945)

28N **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many fines were issued for breaches of the UKs arms export control in 2022; and if he will publish a breakdown of the (a) amount and (b) date of each fine issued for that purpose in that period. (117615)

Questions for Answer on Monday 16 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Jamie Stone (Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross): To ask the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, how much from the public purse her Department spent on its proposals to privatise Channel 4. (117894)
- 2N Darren Jones (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of the availability of staff in early years settings in Bristol North West constituency. (117818)
- 3N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department is taking steps to provide funding for the repair of school buildings in addition to that provided through the Priority School Building Programme. (117952)
- 4N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will hold discussions with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on increasing capital expenditure on schools to help make safety improvements to their buildings.

 (117953)
- 5N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the impact of the apprenticeship levy on (a) opportunities for young people disadvantaged areas and (b) industry skills and education of young people. (117954)
- 6N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to help improve the (a) recruitment, (b) retention and (c) morale of (i) teachers, (ii) teaching assistants and (iii) school staff.

 (117955)
- 7N **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department plans to take to reduce the attainment gap for pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds at (a) Year 6, (b) GCSE and (c) A Level. (117956)
- 8N Darren Jones (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of applying regulations on the use of mopeds to e-scooters. (117821)

- 9N Darren Jones (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of creating a single point of contact for the removals and storage sector. (117822)
- 10N Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December to Question 99836, if he will publish the directory of products meeting DTAC standards. (117587)
- 11N **Julie Elliott** (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December to Question 99836, what penalties will be faced by companies that are not DTAC compliant as part of remedial action plans. (117588)
- 12N Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what consequences will be faced by digital services providers to the NHS that are not compliant with DTAC standards. (117589)
- 13N Julie Elliott (Sunderland Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 8 December to Question 99836, how many DTAC-required NHS contracts have been awarded to companies that are not DTAC-compliant. (117590)
- 14N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has had with the Chancellor of Exchequer on potential options for resolving the pay dispute with NHS staff. (117729)
- 15N **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the potential merits of expanding access to the drug Liothyronine T3 for people with hypothyroidism. (117833)
- 16N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Azerbaijani counterparts on the recent blockade in the Lachin corridor and its humanitarian impact. (117728)
- 17N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has had recent discussions with the Valuation Office Agency on changes to the liability for council tax of bedrooms in single shared houses. (117731)
- 18N **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the rate of VAT is for battery upgrades to existing domestic solar installations. (117841)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 17 January

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Naz Shah (Bradford West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that people who do not have a direct relationship with an energy supplier benefit from the Energy Support Scheme.
 (117621)
- 2N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for International Trade, whether there will be a provision in the UK-India free trade agreement safeguarding the manufacture of generic medicine for the NHS. (117430)
- 3N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to maintain current levels of IVF provision when CCGs are transitioned into Integrated Care Systems; and what steps his Department is taking to work with the NHS to achieve that end. (117428)
- 4N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has plans to review the Approved Mileage Allowance Payments rate for the self-employed. (117730)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 18 January

Questions for Written Answer

1N Wera Hobhouse (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many passports, by number rather than percentage, have been lost by the Passport Office in each year since 2018. (117785)

Questions for Answer on Friday 20 January

Questions for Written Answer

1N lan Murray (Edinburgh South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the case of Independent Monitoring Authority v Secretary of State for the Home Department [2022] EWHC 3274 (Admin), of 21 December 2022, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of that judgment; whether she plans to allow people with leave to remain to freely travel to the UK; and if she will make a statement. (117563)

Questions for Answer on Thursday 26 January

Questions for Written Answer

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1N **Afzal Khan** (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent discussions he has had with the Royal College of Nursing on nurses industrial action. (117830)