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Questions tabled on Wednesday 8 February 2023

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Questions for Answer on Thursday 9 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when the Prime Minister was first made aware of the allegations of bullying made against the Rt hon. Member for Esher and Walton. . [Transferred] (141607)
- 2N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has had discussions with employer representative bodies on flexibility for people with long COVID returning to employment.

[Transferred] (140045)

- 3N Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 3 February to Question 136862 on Disease Control, what was the cost to the public purse of the two mobile UV irradiation units deployed at 1 Victoria Street. [Transferred] (140309)
- 4N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how much money South Tyneside Council returned to the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy from grants in December 2022.

[Transferred] (140256)

5 **Ellie Reeves** (Lewisham West and Penge): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many places in Secure Children's Homes were available in England and Wales as of 7 February 2023. [Transferred] (141489)

- 6N Jonathan Edwards (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether multi-function premises used for both residential and business purposes which have business electricity accounts, including pubs where the landlord lives above the pub, will be eligible for support under the Energy Bills Support Scheme Alternative Payment; and whether further guidance will be provided.

 [Transferred] (140091)
- 7N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he had had with on (a) Ofgem and (b) energy suppliers on ensuring that prepayment meter customers do not pay more for their energy.

 [Transferred] (140142)
- 8N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will take steps to provide compensation to people who have had prepayment meters installed where an energy company has not followed its regulatory obligations.

 [Transferred] (140143)
- 9N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will take steps with Ofgem to require energy companies to assess the reasons for which customers cannot afford their energy tariff prior to moving them onto prepayment meters.

 [Transferred] (140144)
- 10N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether energy consumers have a right to ask for a smart meter to be removed and replaced with a traditional meter. [Transferred] (140153)
- 11 Matthew Pennycook (Greenwich and Woolwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when his Department plans to respond to the consultation on Improving the energy performance of privately rented homes published on 30 September 2020.

 [Transferred] (141466)
- 12N Christopher Pincher (Tamworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when the delayed Alternative Fuel Payment will be paid to recipients; and if he will make a statement.

 [Transferred] (140248)
- 13N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has had recent discussions with the Welsh government on the delivery of the Alternative Fuel Payment. [Transferred] (140210)
- 14N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with (a) the Welsh Government and (b) Welsh local authorities on the Energy Bills Support Scheme Alternative Funding, including a portal for people who do not have a direct relationship with an electricity supplier; what steps his Department is taking to encourage people to apply for the funding; and what steps he is taking to help people without internet access to apply for that scheme.

 [Transferred] (140211)

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- 15N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what progress the Government has made on the implementation of the Non-Domestic Alternative Fuel Payment; and when he expects the payment to be delivered.

 [Transferred] (140212)
- 16N **Bob Seely** (Isle of Wight): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made with Cabinet colleagues of the effectiveness of Government incentives for companies to invest in Offshore wind innovation.

 [Transferred] (140334)
- 17N **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what support his Department provides for the development of British based nuclear (a) small and (b) advanced modular reactors. [Transferred] (140013)
- 18N **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether (a) his Department and (b) Ofgem were consulted before the advice was issued by the National Leadership Magistrate to magistrates regarding warrants to force fit prepayment meters.

 [Transferred] (140018)
- 19N Andrew Western (Stretford and Urmston): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of allowing customers to choose whether Energy Bill Support Scheme vouchers are applied to their Gas or Electricity accounts.

 [Transferred] (140318)
- Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps the Government is taking to revitalise high streets.
 [Transferred] (141410)
- 21N Virginia Crosbie (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions she has had with Ofcom on the affordability of broadband and increased network service prices in 2022-23. [Transferred] (140388)
- 22N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how much funding her Department has provided for the decarbonisation of the automotive industry since 2010. [Transferred] (140086)
- 23N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will make an estimate of the number of jobs that are supported (a) directly and (b) through the supply chain of the automotive industry.

 [Transferred] (140087)
- 24N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will make an estimate of the number of electric vehicle batteries that were produced in the UK in (a) 2010, (b) 2015, (c) 2020 and (d) 2022.

 [Transferred] (140088)
- 25N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the closure of Britishvolt.

 [Transferred] (140089)

- 26N Darren Jones (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
 Innovation and Technology, whether her Department has made an assessment
 of the potential impact of increases in the price of broadband packages on the
 ability of people to access essential online services.

 [Transferred] (141465)
- 27 Damien Moore (Southport): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of the use of artificial intelligence to collect literature, art, and music data; and whether she is taking steps to support (a) individuals and (b) businesses in those industries with data management. [Transferred] (141606)
- Julian Sturdy (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will make an assessment of whether her Department's broadband connectivity targets will be met by 2025. [Transferred] (141416)
- 29 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the Government plans to launch a formal review on (a) effectiveness of current sanctions on Russia and (b) potential changes to improve the effectiveness of sanctions. [Transferred] (141522)
- Andy Carter (Warrington South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Office, what guidance her Department issues on fire safety in high-rise residential buildings; and whether that guidance includes instructions for residents of such buildings on action to take in the event of a fire.

 [Transferred] (141611)

Questions for Answer on Monday 20 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Sir Christopher Chope** (Christchurch): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he plans to respond to the consultation on the draft Digital Government (Disclosure of Information) (Identity Verification Services) Regulations 2023, published on 4 January 2023. (142623)
- 2 **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, when he next plans to update the list of Ministerial responsibilities following recent machinery of government changes. (142804)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, if he will hold discussions with the Church of England on taking steps to help increase foodbank donations. (142703)
- 4N **Mr Gregory Campbell** (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will take steps to help ensure her Department (a) promotes investment and (b) champions free trade in (i) all parts of the UK and (ii) Northern Ireland.

 [Transferred] (141360)

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- 5N Stella Creasy (Walthamstow): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill, whether her Department plans to (a) revoke, (b) retain or (c) replace the Pressure Equipment (Safety) Regulations 2016/1105.

 [Transferred] (141427)
- Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many applications to HM Land Registry for routine changes to existing registered titles were completed within the service standard of 60 to 80 days in Bristol West constituency in the latest period for which data is available. (142736)
- Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of taking steps to encourage (a) shops, (b) pubs, (c) cafes, (d) restaurants and (e) other public facing businesses to publish information on whether their businesses are accessible for wheelchair users.
- Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether her Department collects data on the wheelchair accessibility of (a) shops, (b) pubs, (c) cafes, (d) restaurants and (e) other public facing businesses. (142740)
- 9N Wera Hobhouse (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how much of the funding the UK committed to the NDC Partnership from 2019–25 has been disbursed.

 [Transferred] (141560)
- 10N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing additional time for parliamentary scrutiny before automatically revoking certain retained EU law.

 [Transferred] (141488)
- 11N Sir Greg Knight (East Yorkshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment she has made of the health implications of long-term use of talcum powder in (a) infants and (b) adults; and if she will make a statement.

 [Transferred] (141356)
- 12N **Simon Lightwood** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an assessment of the impact on (a) consumers and (b) businesses of the recent cyber-attack on Royal Mail. [Transferred] (141642)
- 13N Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the Strikes (Minimum Service Levels)
 Bill 2022-23, whether her Department is taking steps to ensure that workers requested to work by a work notice will have a protection from unfair dismissal or other employment sanctions where an individual needs to leave their place of work in the context of section 44 (1A) of the Employment Rights Act 1996. (142732)
- 14N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether (a) regulatory and (b) prosecution powers have been lost by the Office for Product Safety and Standards following the UK's exit from the EU.

(142715)

- 15 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if he will require local authorities to develop strategic business plans which highlight growth opportunities in their communities. (142765)
- 16 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps she will take to support businesses with increasing productivity.

 (142766)
- 17 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether he plans to take steps with universities to help those institutions to develop local economies and identify areas where growth is possible. (142767)
- Dr Matthew Offord (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will take steps to modify the Estate Agents Act 1979 so that people need to (a) be registered with the Estate Agency Affairs Board and (b) possess a Fidelity Fund Certificate before completing transactions. (142668)
- 19 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps her Department (a) is taking and (b) plans to take to help support the molten salt reactor sector. (142693)
- 20N Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many ministerial red (a) boxes and (b) folders were in use by her Department as of 1 February bearing the inscription Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, and how much public money was spent on the procurement of those items.

 [Transferred] (141387)
- 21N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 18 January to Question 118892, in which quarterly publication of ministerial transparency data can details of Lord Grimstone's visit to Jeddah in July 2021 be found. (142643)
- 22N **Karl Turner** (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, when she expects the Insolvency Service to deliver its conclusions on the civil investigation into redundancies made by P&O Ferries; and if she will make a statement.

 [Transferred] (141439)
- 23N Karl Turner (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will take steps to ensure that shipping companies cannot deduct the costs for onboard accommodation from seafarers' wages; and whether she has recent discussions with the Department for Transport on that matter.[Transferred] (141440)
- 24N Karl Turner (Kingston upon Hull East): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, when she plans to respond to the Low Pay Commission's recent recommendations on seafarers and the accommodation offset. [Transferred] (141441)
- 25N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 21 November 2022 to Question 84999 on Parental Leave: Fathers, when she plans to publish her Department's response to the 2019 consultation on reforming parental leave and pay. (142798)

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- 26 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, with reference to the Minister for Energy and Climate's contribution to the Urgent Question of 6 February 2023 on Prepayment Meters: Ofgem Decision, when he plans to publish details of the proposed compensation scheme.
 (142816)
- 27N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether the Government plans to give Ofgem additional powers to take enforcement action against suppliers who breach their licence conditions. (142817)
- 28N **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, whether it is his Department's policy to continue with the proposed 2026 boiler ban for off-grid properties. (142887)
- 29N **Kevin Brennan** (Cardiff West): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, when she plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Cardiff West of 7 September 2022 on the report entitled Let the Music Move:

 A New Deal for Touring. (142633)
- 30N **Kevin Brennan** (Cardiff West): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what recent discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the potential merits of making representations to US counterparts on their proposals to increase the costs of short- and long-term visas for touring performers. (142634)
- Dawn Butler (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will take steps to help increase skills in the creative and arts sector. (142638)
- 32 **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she is taking steps to increase opportunities for (a) exposure to and (b) engagement with the arts in secondary schools. (142639)
- Apsana Begum (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many Ukrainian refugee children have been offered school places in Poplar and Limehouse constituency since February 2022; and how much funding has been allocated to the local authority of Tower Hamlets for the provision of those school places. (142854)
- 34 **Dawn Butler** (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department plans to take to encourage the uptake of creative subjects at GCSE level. (142640)
- Dawn Butler (Brent Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will consider the potential merits of implementing an arts premium to encourage state schools to increase the (a) range and (b) quality of arts provision. (142641)
- 36 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the Statement made on 11 January 2023 by the Minister of State for Skills, Apprenticeships and Higher Education, whether her Department held consultations with the Office for Students regarding the

- demands on university hardship funds before the reallocation of £15 million to premium funding; and what recent steps she has taken to support students from lower socio-economic backgrounds. (142691)
- 37N **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 7 February 2023 to Question 135240 on Schools: Houghton and Sunderland South, how many (a) civil servants and (b) hours of civil service time were spent on the preparation of the Condition Data Collection reports.
- 38 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 7 February 2023 to Question 135240 on Schools: Houghton and Sunderland South, if she will take steps to publish the full data from the Condition Data Collection by 28 February 2023. (142677)
- 39 **Bridget Phillipson** (Houghton and Sunderland South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 7 February 2023 to Question 135240 on Schools: Houghton and Sunderland South, what processes are required to prepare for publication the detailed school level data from the Condition Data Collection programme; and in which (a) formats and (b) locations does she plan to publish these data.
- 40N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, for what reason her Department has changed the criteria on the latest date to commence training for the senior mental health lead training grant. (142840)
- 41N Fleur Anderson (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether the REDD+ Early Movers Programme uses the company Verra to verify carbon emission reductions from avoided deforestation. [Transferred] (141604)
- 42N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he plans to take to provide safeguards to prevent customers on smart meters from being remotely switched to prepay mode without their consent.

 [Transferred] (141518)
- 43N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Answer from the Minister for Climate to the Question from the hon. Member for Glasgow North on 6 February 2023, Official Report, column 678, on what evidential basis he said that it was highly unlikely that the ratio of those on prepayment meters has changed since 2020. [Transferred] (141519)
- 44N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he plans to take steps to (a) improve and (b) regularly assess Ofgem's effectiveness as a regulator.

 [Transferred] (141723)
- 45 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Minister for Energy and Climate's contribution to the Urgent Question of 6 February 2023 on Prepayment Meters: Ofgem

- Decision, what the results were of the Government's investigation into decision-making on the process for obtaining warrants to forcibly install prepayment meters.

 (142818)
- 46 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Minister for Energy and Climate's contribution to the Urgent Question of 6 February 2023 on Prepayment Meters: Ofgem Decision, over what time period are the Government and Ofgem investigating poor practice concerning prepayment meters. (142819)
- 47N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of how many households have been forced onto prepayment meters (a) by warrant and (b) via remote switching since the start of December 2022. (142820)
- 48 Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps her Department is taking to address regional disparities in trends in the level of regional energy rates. (142821)
- 49N **Virginia Crosbie** (Ynys Môn): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of a freeport on the Isle of Anglesey on green energy. (142889)
- 50 **Ben Everitt** (Milton Keynes North): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when the Government plans to publish the final design and scope of the ECO+ scheme; and when that scheme will be implemented. (142873)
- 51 Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the number of people claiming Personal Independence Payment who are no longer eligible for the Warm Homes Discount following the changes to eligibility in 2022; and what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of changing the criteria on those no longer eligible.
- 52N **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps he has taken to (a) update and (b) expand Ecodesign product regulation. [Transferred] (141557)
- 53N **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many businesses have shared their climate transition plans with his Department. [Transferred] (141559)
- 54N **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much of the funding committed to the International Climate Finance between 2021-22 and 2025-26 has been disbursed. [Transferred] (141561)
- 55N **Stephen Kinnock** (Aberavon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when he expects the labour market enforcement strategy for 2023-2024 to be (a) completed and (b) published. [Transferred] (140255)

- 56N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 24 January 2023 to Question 127911 on Electricity Generation: Infrastructure, if he will make an estimate of the value of (a) 35 TWH as of 7 February 2023 and (b) 124 TWH in 2030. [Transferred] (141616)
- 57N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 18 January 2023 to Question 120157 on Electricity Generation: Infrastructure, what the estimated value is of the 5 TWh of energy.

 [Transferred] (141617)
- 58N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 18 January to Question 120157, what financial support the Government has provided to (a) the operators of Hawthorn Pit and (b) Drax for the cabling from Peterhead and Torness. [Transferred] (141632)
- 59N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many applications there have been for (a) revenue and (b) capital grants under the Heat Network Efficiency Scheme. (142714)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department will take to assess opportunities for community energy generation. (142768)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will ask local authorities to identify opportunities for developing (a) onshore wind, (b) solar energy, (c) ground source heating and (d) other sustainable energy sources in their area. (142769)
- John McNally (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department has made an estimate of the average number of days that elapse between a direct debit payment being taken from a customer's account by an energy supplier and the issuance of an Energy Bill Support Scheme payment to that customer.
- 63N **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an assessment of whether charge point operators have been complying with his Department's guidance on passing on Energy Bills Support Scheme funding to consumers in the period since 1 November 2022.

[Transferred] (141485)

- 64N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he is taking steps to ensure that consumers charging their electric vehicles from the public network benefit from the Energy Bills Support Scheme.

 [Transferred] (141486)
- 65 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to minimise the risk of relying on too few technologies to deliver the 24GW nuclear generation by 2050 target by supporting a diverse range of advanced nuclear technologies. (142692)

- 66 Matt Vickers (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department is taking steps to speed up the approval process for modular nuclear reactors. (142880)
- Apsana Begum (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department has issued recent guidance on resolving noise nuisance complaints about commercial properties when the local authority finds that criteria for statutory noise nuisance is not being met.
- Apsana Begum (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of lowering the threshold for statutory noise nuisance for commercial properties. (142857)
- 69N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress her Department has made on bringing forward a full prohibition on the import of fur, foie gras and hunting trophies from overseas into the United Kingdom. (142872)
- 70 Tracey Crouch (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the effectiveness of the green social prescribing projects announced in July 2020. (142661)
- 71 **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what her policy is on green social prescribing; and if she will make a statement. (142662)
- 72 Tracey Crouch (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment her Department has made of the potential benefits of nature on mental health and wellbeing. (142663)
- Rosie Duffield (Canterbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she is taking to reduce the level of littering by main roads.

 (142802)
- 74N Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether payments available for farmers to create new habitat to (a) hold flood water and (b) enhance the capacity of existing habitat for holding flood water under the Environmental Land Management Scheme. (142812)
- 75N Wera Hobhouse (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much of the Nature for Climate Fund has been spent; and on which projects.

 [Transferred] (141558)
- 76 **Simon Jupp** (East Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that the reporting of storm overflows in real time will be (a) consistent, (b) transparent, (c) accessible and (d) readily understood by the public. (142891)

- 77N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many cats were commercially imported into Great Britain in each month in 2022. (142838)
- **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many cats were commercially imported into Great Britain in each year since 2018. (142839)
- Nigel Mills (Amber Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 6 February to Question 135355 on Packaging Recycling, which specific international schemes her Department considered in developing their EPR proposal for the UK; and how those schemes are reflected in current EPR policy.
- Nigel Mills (Amber Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 6 February to Question 135354 on Packaging Recycling what changes were made by the Cabinet to her Department's initial proposals for EPR in the consultation while the publication of the Government's response was subject to Cabinet approval. (142708)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress her Department has made on the implementation and enforcement of Water Environment (Water Framework Directive) (England and Wales) Regulations 2017. (142669)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress her Department has made on the reduction of nitrogen, phosphorus and sediment pollution from agriculture into the water environment in the last four years. (142670)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress her Department has been made on reducing phosphorus loadings from treated wastewater in the last two years. (142671)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress her Department has made on the reduction of levels of pollution caused by harmful metals from abandoned mines in rivers. (142672)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when she expects to achieve good maritime environmental status. (142673)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent estimate her Department has made of the proportion of Sites of Special Scientific Interest in favourable condition. (142674)
- **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of the Red List Index for England for species extinction risk. (142675)

- 88 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent steps her Department has taken to help support fishing communities in (a) Strangford constituency and (b) Northern Ireland. (142702)
- 89N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has made an estimate of the potential economic benefit of innovation in advanced methods and approaches to replace the use of animals in research and testing. (142652)
- 90N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what support her Department provides for the development of new non-animal technologies and approaches in science. (142653)
- 91 **Greg Smith** (Buckingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 6 February 2023 to Question 136754 on Packaging: Recycling, what is the policy objective of her Department's eightweek visioning sprint programme. (142841)
- 92 **Greg Smith** (Buckingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 6 February 2023 to Question 136754 on Packaging: Recycling, what (a) representations or (b) feedback her Department has received from (i) industry representatives and (b) others on the work of the Business Readiness Forum. (142842)
- 93 **Greg Smith** (Buckingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 3 February 2023 to Question 136753 on Packaging: Recycling, how the funding model would work for obligated businesses paying into the Extended Producer Responsibility scheme. (142843)
- 94 **Greg Smith** (Buckingham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 3 February 2023 to Question 136753 on Packaging: Recycling, whether the Impact Assessment needs to be reviewed in response to recent increases in costs for businesses. (142844)
- 95 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has had discussions with the Home Secretary on the potential merits of introducing a national rural crime unit to tackle fly-tipping in rural areas.
- 96 Matt Vickers (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department is taking steps to help support people with the cost of water bills. (142875)
- 97 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how many Ukrainian nationals are hosted in Poplar and Limehouse constituency under the Homes for Ukraine scheme. (142853)

- Apsana Begum (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he plans to take steps to (a) cap and (b) bring forward other measures on ground rents for people who held their lease prior to commencement of the Leasehold Reform (Ground Rent) Act 2022. (142858)
- 99 Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department collects data on the wheelchair accessibility of residential properties when those properties are sold.

 (142735)
- Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, for what reason the cost of (a) waking watches,
 (b) alarm upgrades and (c) other interim safety measures were not included in developers' obligations in the Developer Remediation Contract published on 30 January 2023.
- 101 **Simon Jupp** (East Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what legislative steps he plans to take to ensure National Trust leaseholders can extend their leases; and in what circumstances those leases would be extendable.

 (142892)
- 102 **Simon Jupp** (East Devon): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, when the Government plans to respond to the Law
 Commission's recommendations relating to National Trust leaseholders, published
 on 21 July 2020 in the report entitled Leasehold home ownership: buying your
 freehold or extending your lease, HC584 of Session 2019-21. (142893)
- 103 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling
 Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 2 February 2023
 to Question 138293 on Elections: Proof of Identity and with reference to the
 percentage figures of people who hold photographic ID contained in the Cabinet
 Office Photographic ID research Headline Findings of 21 March 2021, if he will
 make an estimate of the numbers of people in (a) total and (b) in each age group
 who don't have the required ID to vote.

 (142659)
- 104 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on (a) land disposals and (b) opportunities for redevelopment on disposal sites. (142760)
- 105 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling
 Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to ensure that local
 communities are consulted in the redevelopment of public land. (142761)
- 106 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what guidance his Department issues on the level of communication required with local stakeholders by redevelopment projects. (142762)

- 107 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the skills and capabilities of local authorities in carrying our their planning and housing functions; and if he will make it his policy to develop an Ofsted-style body to inspect local authorities' skills and capabilities in those areas. (142763)
- 108 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, what discussions he has had with representatives
 of local authorities on his Department's vision for redevelopment, including
 opportunities to redevelop sites in specific local authority areas. (142764)
- 109 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling
 Up, Housing and Communities, how much his Department has provided to
 local authorities to cover additional costs as a result of the changes to voter
 identification.

 (142774)
- 110 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much he has budgeted for publicising the requirement for voters to hold appropriate voter ID. (142775)
- 111 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if his Department will set a timeframe for introducing legislative provisions on ensuring that leaseholders will not be subject to ground 8 mandatory possession orders for arrears of ground rent. (142665)
- 112 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps the Government are taking to increase the regulation of ground rent increases for leaseholders. (142877)
- 113 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps his Department is taking to improve social housing access for larger families. (142879)
- 114 Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of requiring swift nesting bricks to be installed in newly built homes.

 (142794)
- 115N **Hywel Williams** (Arfon): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 7 February 2023 to Question 138288 on Freeports: Wales, whether each and every individual approved freeport bid in Wales will receive £26 million of initial funding. (142632)
- 116N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of providing additional funding for UK-based bioscientific research into (a) the causes and (b) treatment of Long Covid. (142783)

- 117N Barbara Keeley (Worsley and Eccles South): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the impact of library closures on trends in the level of digital exclusion. [Transferred] (141365)
- 118N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps she is taking to support BioYorkshire; and what assessment she has made of the adequacy of funding for that programme. (142770)
- 119 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps his Department will take to assess new opportunities for investment and growth within its remit. (142771)
- 120NRachael Maskell (York Central): To ask Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Education on funding University research; and how he expects responsibility to be shared between his department with the Department for Education. (142772)
- 121 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will have discussions with (a) the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and (b) local authorities on the potential for investment in employment opportunities through regeneration projects. (142773)
- 122 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 2 February 2023 to Question 132389 on Innovation and Research, what estimate she has made of the expected cost to the public purse of the research to identify clusters of firms performing R&D and innovation in the UK. (142694)
- 123 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 2 February 2023 to Question 132389 on Innovation and Research, if she will publish details of the successful bidder who will complete the research to identify clusters of firms performing R&D and innovation in the UK. (142695)
- 124 Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to the Office for National Statistics data entitled Business Enterprise Research and Development UK: 2021, published on 22nd November 2022, what assessment she has made of trends in the total expenditure on research and development in companies with 250 employees and over between 2018 and 2019.
- 125NChi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps she plans to take with the Secretary of State for Business and Trade to help ensure that innovation and technology are aligned with business needs. (142697)
- 126 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to the ONS dataset on Business Enterprise Research and Development UK: 2021, published on 22 November 2022,

- whether she has made an assessment of the reasons for the decline in research and development employment in (a) transport manufacturing and (b) aerospace manufacturing since 2018. (142698)
- 127NChi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what assessment she has made of the potential benefits of relating research and development tax credits to research and development employment rather than research and development activity. (142699)
- 128 Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to the ONS dataset on Business Enterprise Research and Development UK: 2021, published on 22 November 2022, what assessment he has made of the consequences for his policies of trends in research and development employment in the Services and Other product group; and if he will provide a further breakdown of research and development employment within this product group.
- 129NMr Virendra Sharma (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps she is taking to help ensure that the UK is a global leader in the use of non-animal technologies and approaches in scientific research. (142651)
- 130 Alan Brown (Kilmarnock and Loudoun): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when HS2 (a) phase 1; (b) phase 2a (c) phase 2b and (d) HS2 East will be completed. (142756)
- 131N Mr Gregory Campbell (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for
 Transport, what recent discussions he has had with operators of regional airports
 on their viability.

 [Transferred] (141359)
- 132N Sir Christopher Chope (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the estimated cost of HS2 was in January (a) 2013 and (b) 2023. (142624)
- 133NLouise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he held discussions with TransPennine express on the extension of the First TransPennine Express Limited 2021 rail contract on the 8 February 2023. (142776)
- 134NLouise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether (a) project silverlight and (b) Operation Blue Diamond will consider reducing platforms at Euston station. (142777)
- 135NLouise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the (a) adequacy of the rolling stock pipeline for the UK rail industry and (b) potential impact of a production gap on the viability of factories in the UK.
- 136NLouise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the impact of a potential rolling stock production gaps on (a) employment and (b) local economies in the North East. (142779)

- 137NLouise Haigh (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential economic benefits of additional funding in rolling stock for (a) North West passengers, (b) the UK economy and (c) the manufacturing industry in the North East of England.
- 138 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of potholes on road users in England. (142706)
- 139 Alex Sobel (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many electric charging points there are in (a) Leeds, (b) Leeds North West constituency, (c) Adel and Wharfedale, (d) Headingley and Hyde Park, (e) Otley and Yeadon and (f) Yeadon. (142824)
- 140 Matt Vickers (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to improve the (a) safety and (b) accessibility of the A19.
- 141N Jonathan Ashworth (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many individuals (a) were referred to, (b) participated in and (c) had a job outcome from the Job Entry Targeted Support programme in each month since its launch. (142709)
- 142NJonathan Ashworth (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many individuals (a) were referred to, (b) participated in and (c) had a job outcome from the mentoring circles programme in each financial year since its launch.
- 143NJonathan Ashworth (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what data his Department collects on the work of the employment support programme in the 20 challenge areas. (142711)
- 144NJonathan Ashworth (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much funding has been allocated through the Flexible Support Fund to each Job Centre District in the last five financial years. (142712)
- 145NJonathan Ashworth (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people were awarded payments for (a) uniforms and (b) other clothing from the Flexible Support Fund in the last 12 months. (142713)
- 146NAlex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, when he expects to classify the twenty eight hydrocarbon releases reported on installations in the North Sea which were awaiting classification according to the Health and Safety Executive's Quarterly Offshore Hydrocarbon Release Report published on 22 December 2022. (142683)
- 147NAlex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will list the engineering contractors employed by the duty holder on each of the installations listed in the Health and Safety Executive's Quarterly Offshore Hydrocarbon Release Report published on 22 December 2022. (142684)

- 148NAlex Cunningham (Stockton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the annual (a) budget and (b) staffing levels duty holders in the North Sea have allocated to backlogs of unmanaged Safety and Environment Critical Element maintenance and inspection work in each of the last five years to date.
- 149 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Personal Independence Payment claimants were identified as needing Additional Support and automatically progressed to the provider for an assessment but (a) did not have an assessment or (b) had their claim disallowed after the assessment in each of the last five years. (142829)
- 150 Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many (a) Personal Independence Payment and (b) Disability Living Allowance claimants are identified as needing additional support in the last month for which data is available. (142830)
- 151 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant the Answer of 06 February to Question 135441 on Disability Living Allowance and Personal Independence Payment, whether his Department has made an assessment of the reasons for increase in the number of claimants disallowed for non-return of the AR1 form between 2017 and 2021. (142781)
- 152 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 6 February to Question 135441 on Disability Living Allowance and Personal Independence Payment, how many of the claimants disallowed for non-return of the AR1 form had an ACS watermark applied to their PIP record in each year from 2017 to 2021. (142782)
- 153NDavid Linden (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the Written Statement of 8 February 2023 from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Social Mobility, Youth & Progression on Decommissioning of Temporary Jobcentres, UIN HCWS549, (a) on what date the decision was made to decommission and (b) on what date Jobcentre staff were notified of the decommissioning of the temporary Jobcentres at (i) Aylesbury; (ii) Bath; (iii) Blyth; (iv) Burnley; (v) Dundee; (vi) Gateshead; (vii) Halifax; (viii) Inverness; (ix) Ipswich; (x) Kettering; (xi) Leeds; (xii) Lincoln; (xiii) London Hackney; (xiv) London Kentish Town; (xv) London Sutton Carew; (xvi) London Tooting; (xvii) Stevenage; (xviii) Sunderland; (xix) Swindon; and (xx) Wigan.
- 154NDavid Linden (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 7 February 2023 to Question 133686 on Universal Credit: Young People, how many single claimants on Universal Credit in payment and entitled to the housing element were aged (a) 25-29, (b) 30-34, (c) 35-39, (d) 40-44, (e) 45-49, (f) 50-54, (g) 55-59, (h) 60-65 and (i) over 65 in August 2022. (142806)

- 155NKenny MacAskill (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 8 February 2023 to Question 139285, whether the classification of within territorial waters relates to the siting of the specific installation. (142836)
- 156NKenny MacAskill (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 8 February 2023 to Question 139285 on Offshore Industry: Missing People, whether an installation is classified as being within territorial waters if it is beyond 12 miles but part of its windfarm is within that distance. (142837)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of retaining the (a) Management of Health & Safety at Work Regulations, (b) Manual Handling Operations Regulations, (c) Display Screen Equipment Regulations, (d) Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations, (d) Provision and use of Work Equipment Regulations and (e) the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Regulations following the passage of the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill.
- 158 **Alison McGovern** (Wirral South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 7 February 2023 to Question 133981, when his Department plans to complete the evaluations. (142681)
- 159 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many claimants who have had their benefits suspended by the risk review team have had their benefits reinstated. (142791)
- 160 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of people who had their benefits suspended by the risk review team were subsequently convicted of fraud. (142792)
- 161 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many benefits claims suspended by the risk review team have been (a) closed and (b) remain suspended. (142793)
- 162NKarin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he will take to reduce the backlog of people awaiting a Personal Independence Payment claim to be assessed. (142749)
- 163NKarin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to paragraph 5 on page 2 of the Institute for Fiscal Studies report, The number of new disability benefit claimants has doubled in a year, published in December 2022, whether he will have discussions with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on the report's findings on trends in the number of people reporting that their health limits their daily activities.

- **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 1 February to Question 133806 on Support for Mortgage Interest, what the Bank of England's monthly average mortgage interest rate used to calculate the Support for Mortgage Interest standard interest rate was on 1 February 2023. (142864)
- **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 1 February to Question 133806 on Support for Mortgage Interest, what the reason is for the requirement for the Bank of England's published monthly average mortgage interest rate to exceed the Support for Mortgage Interest standard interest rate by 0.5% before the latter is updated. (142865)
- **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if she will consider the potential merits of the Support for Mortgage Interest standard interest rate mirroring real-time changes in the Bank of England's published monthly average mortgage interest rate. (142866)
- **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment she has made of the financial impact on recipients of the delay in uprating of Support for Mortgage Interest standard interest rates. (142867)
- **Bambos Charalambous** (Enfield, Southgate): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure the availability of NHS dentists in Enfield Southgate constituency. (142800)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 8 February to Question 138030, when he plans to launch the women's health area on the NHS website. (142868)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Dear colleague letter on the Women's Health Strategy Year 1 priorities, dated 24 January 2023, if he will make an estimate of when he plans to set out steps to improve access and choice for contraception. (142869)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Women's Health Strategy for England published August 2022, whether it is his Department to set out plans for sexual and reproductive health including access and choice for contraception. (142870)
- **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to Public Health England's report entitled Extending Public Health England's contraception return on investment tool: Maternity and primary care settings, published in July 2021, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the finding that every £1 invested in long-acting reversible contraception in primary care provides a return on investment of £48 over ten years; and when his Department plans to update that modelling. (142871)

- 173 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many community pharmacies have closed in England in each of the last five years.

 (142832)
- 174 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the trend in the level of funding for community pharmacies since 2019 on the availability of those pharmacies. (142833)
- 175 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to help reduce the rate of closure of community pharmacies in England. (142834)
- 176 **Tracey Crouch** (Chatham and Aylesford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he will publish the Autism Strategy Implementation Plan for 2022-23. (142664)
- 177NMarsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, for what reasons UK-manufactured pethidine supplies are not available as of 7 February 2023. (142826)
- 178N Dr Rupa Huq (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to improve diagnosis times for cervical cancer in Ealing Central and Acton constituency. (142784)
- 179N Dr Rupa Huq (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to ensure that all fruit provided to children in state schools through the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme has Fairtrade accreditation. (142785)
- 180 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 7 December 2022 to Question 99933 on Mental Health Services: Children and Young People, when he plans to take a decision on the potential introduction of a new waiting time standard that children, young people and their families and carers presenting to community-based mental health services should start to receive care within four weeks of referral; what estimate he has made of the level of any additional children and adolescent mental health service workforce that would be required to meet that new waiting time standard; and if he will make a statement. (142657)
- 181 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 7 December 2022 to Question 99933 on Mental Health Services: Children and Young People, whether he plans to introduce waiting time standards for children and young people's mental health services for (a) attention deficit hyperactivity disorder assessments, (b) autism assessments and (c) other assessments carried out by those services; what estimate he has made of the level of workforce required to meet (i) current and (ii) future demand for assessments carried out by those services; and if he will make a statement.

- 182NRachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to incorporate the (a) national stroke service model and (b) integrated community stroke service model within the integrated urgent and emergency care workforce plans. (142757)
- 183NRachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his planned timetable is for (a) scoping and (b) publishing the Major Conditions Strategy. (142758)
- 184NRachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to develop a strategy supporting (a) research on, (b) treatment advances for and (c) management of conditions that are not covered under the Major Conditions Strategy. (142759)
- 185NAndy McDonald (Middlesbrough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he will take to prioritise (a) pancreatic cancer and (b) the other less survivable cancers in the Major Conditions Strategy, due to be published later this year.
- 186NAndy McDonald (Middlesbrough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the newly announced Major Conditions Strategy will contain any new targets relating to cancer. (142721)
- 187 Yasmin Qureshi (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made a recent forecast of the number of (i)

 Dental Nurses, (ii) Dental Hygienists, (iii) Dental Technicians, (iv) Clinical Dental Technicians, (v) Orthodontic Therapists and (vi) Dental Therapists who will be working in the NHS in 5 years' time based on numbers entering the sector. (142655)
- 188 Cat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 2 August 2022 to Question 39893 on Prescription Drugs: Addictions, if his Department will issue guidance for patients on tapering the dosage of prescription medicines to reduce the likelihood of an adverse event or withdrawal symptoms. (142742)
- 189 Cat Smith (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether consideration was given to including guidance on (a) withdrawal from prescription drugs and (b) support for those withdrawing from prescription drugs in the (i) Structured medication reviews and medicines optimisation: guidance, published on 17 September 2020 and (ii) Good for you, good for us, good for everybody A plan to reduce overprescribing to make patient care better and safer, support the NHS, and reduce carbon emissions, published on 22 September 2021.
- 190 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester, Withington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he plans to take through the Major Conditions Strategy to help reduce waiting times for cancer (a) diagnosis and (b) treatment. (142752)

- 191 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester, Withington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how the Major Conditions Strategy will tackle waiting times for cancer diagnosis and treatment in Manchester, Withington constituency. (142753)
- 192 **Jeff Smith** (Manchester, Withington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce waiting times for cancer (a) diagnosis and (b) treatment in Manchester Withington constituency. (142754)
- 193 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to publish data on the number of people with mental health needs in long-stay inpatient hospitals. (142745)
- 194NKarin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what data does his Department holds on the number of people with mental health needs held in long-stay inpatient hospitals. (142746)
- 195NKarin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the research briefing published on 29 January 2023 by the COVID Social Mobility and Opportunities study on the impact of long Covid among those from less socio-economically advantaged backgrounds, what discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on tackling long term inequalities for young people. (142747)
- 196NKarin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he will take to improve mental health among people under the age of 25 claiming Personal Independence Payment. (142748)
- 197 **Julian Sturdy** (York Outer): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps he has taken with Cabinet colleagues to help support student nurses. (142679)
- 198NDaniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help increase the UK's share of the global pharmaceutical research and development market. (142722)
- 199NDaniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to help streamline processes for future medical innovations so they are available in similar timeframes to covid-19 treatments.
- 200 Daniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department are taking to learn from best practice used during (a) the Covid-19 vaccination programme and (b) the response to the Covid-19 pandemic. (142724)
- 201NDaniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department are taking to improve (a) the uptake of and (b) access to Covid-19 treatments. (142725)

- 202NDaniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department plans to take to (a) improve (i) awareness of and (ii) access to Covid-19 antivirals for people who are eligible to receive them and (b) review the eligibility criteria for Covid-19 antivirals. (142726)
- 203NDaniel Zeichner (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department plans to take to use (a) vaccination and (b) other treatments, including antivirals amongst vulnerable groups in winter 2023. (142727)
- 204 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent support his Department has provided to the Bangladeshi Government in the context of (a) climate change, (b) air pollution and (c) flooding affecting that country. (142846)
- 205 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the UK is taking steps to increase humanitarian support for Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh. (142847)
- 206 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help deliver public owned health care in Bangladesh. (142848)
- 207 **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps his Department is taking to support Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh. (142849)
- 208 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the
 impact on the (a) UN Charter, (b) viability of UN MINUSMA and (c) credibility and
 comprehensiveness of future reports into human rights abuses in Mali of the
 expulsion of Guillaume Ngefa-Atondoko Andali by the authorities in Mali. (142644)
- 209 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the
 impact of the ban on all operation of drones in the Central African Republic other
 than those operated by that country's security forces on the (a) efficacy, (b) safety
 and (c) capacity for effective human rights monitoring of UN MINUSCA. (142645)
- 210N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 7 February
 to Question 138452, whether any penalties have been applied to those three
 companies in relation to the Cerrejón coal mine. (142814)
- 211 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions with his counterpart in the United Arab Emirates on the arbitrary detention of Ryan Cornelius. (142741)

- 212N Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his
 (a) Turkish and (b) other international counterparts on reopening the sole Bab al
 Hawa border crossing into Syria. (142799)
- 213N Afzal Khan (Manchester, Gorton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether children educated in
 monasteries receiving British aid via the Myanmar Education Consortium are
 taught using the Burmese military controlled school curriculum. (142825)
- 214N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the
 situation in Jenin. (142716)
- 215NSeema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on the situation in Jenin. (142717)
- 216 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment has the Department made of the potential impact of the establishment of the Chad embassy in Israel.

 (142666)
- 217 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has
 made of the proposed peace treaty between Israel and Sudan. (142667)
- 218 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to promote free and fair elections in Nigeria. (142688)
- 219 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps
 to help ensure the release and return to the UK of British dual nationals who are
 unlawfully detained in Iran. (142701)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to
 tackle Chinese aggression. (142705)
- 221NCatherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much his Department expects to receive for the sale of the land adjacent to the British Embassy in Tokyo; and whether those funds will be reinvested into core diplomatic activities. (142795)
- 222NCatherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he discussed coordination of sanctions against the Myanmar military with his Australian counterpart during her recent visit to the UK. (142796)

- 223NCatherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has had discussions with UK P&I Club on insuring vessels delivering aviation fuel to Myanmar. (142797)
- 224 Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his
 Pakistani counterpart on Pakistan's refusal to consider visa applications from
 individuals holding Refugee Travel Documents. (142894)
- **Fleur Anderson** (Putney): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of applications for a visitor visa made by Iranian relatives of British citizens were rejected by her Department in the last 12 months for which data is available. (142845)
- **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when the HM Passport Office will replace instances of the phrase Her Majesty to His Majesty on newly-printed UK passports. (142850)
- **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) people with an open asylum-seeking claim and (b) people in receipt of Section 95 Asylum Support there are in Poplar and Limehouse constituencies. (142851)
- **Apsana Begum** (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of ending Section 95 asylum support 28 days after a newly-recognised refugee has received their immigration status documents on rates of homelessness amongst newly-recognised refugees. (142852)
- **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of removing priority service fees for applicants who have waited beyond the usual service standard. (142728)
- **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many applicants have been retrospectively offered priority service since the service was temporarily suspended for spouse visa applicants in March 2022. (142729)
- **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether new spouse and partner visa applications are offered priority service after they have been submitted. (142730)
- **Deidre Brock** (Edinburgh North and Leith): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when Priority and Super Priority visa services will be fully reinstated for spouse visa applicants. (142731)

- 233NMr Gregory Campbell (East Londonderry): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of enabling passport renewal applications to be processed before the old passports for those applications have been returned. (142635)
- 234NSir Christopher Chope (Christchurch): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, for what reason current members of the Border Force who retired before 1 January 2022 are ineligible for a Border Force Long Service Medal. (142625)
- 235 **Ben Everitt** (Milton Keynes North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she is taking steps to ensure that accommodation sites for asylum seekers will be distributed equally across the UK. (142874)
- 236 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether there are circumstances in which asylum-seeking women and children would be moved into shared dispersal accommodation with (a) adult men and (b) single adult men. (142885)
- 237 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what her policy is on regulation of the temperature of rooms in hotel accommodation for asylum seekers. (142886)
- 238 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 8 February 2023 to Question 132333 on Asylum: Children, and with reference to the response to the Urgent Question on 24 January 2023 on Unaccompanied Asylum-seeking Children, Official Report column 859, of the 4,600 unaccompanied children who have been accommodated in hotels since July 2021 and who have not gone missing, what is the (a) shortest, (b) average and (c) longest number of days that they have remained in that form of accommodation.
- 239 **Layla Moran** (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the implications of her policy of requiring bereaved families to register deaths in person at a Registration Office. (142822)
- 240 Layla Moran (Oxford West and Abingdon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential merits of allowing a bereaved family member to register the death of a family member via the telephone.

 (142823)
- 241 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an estimate of the number of people whose daily activity was disrupted by (a) Extinction Rebellion and (b) Just Stop Oil protests in the last calendar year. (142860)
- 242NChi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, which visa application centres in Africa have document scanning facilities (a) on site and (b) available to applicants for visitor visas. (142686)

- 243N**Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what discussions her Department has had with Teleperformance UK on quality control of decision making for visitor visas. (142687)
- **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) applications for and (b) refusals of short-term visitor visas there were in each year since 2018. (142689)
- **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many (a) applications for and (b) refusals of short-term visitor visas there were from countries in Africa in each year since 2018. (142690)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 3 February 2023 to Question 132405 on Migrant Help: Members, for what reason her Department has agreed with Migrant Help that that organisation should not respond directly to correspondence from hon.

 Members. (142787)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 3 February to Question 132405, if she will publish the agreement between Migrant Help and her Department on referring Members' correspondence. (142788)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 3 February 2023 to Question 132405, whether Migrant Help is able to respond directly to Members if they decide it is in the best interests of constituents to do so. (142789)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 3 February 2023 to Question 132405, whether her Department has other similar agreements with (a) charities and (b) independent organisations on responding to (i) Members and (ii) other officials. (142790)
- 250NMr Virendra Sharma (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the potential opportunities for increasing the (a) development and (b) uptake of non-animal alternatives to experiments on animals. (142650)
- **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many cessation of international protection decisions were made by the UK in 2022 by nationality of applicant and by applicant's protection status. (142895)
- David Simmonds (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many withdrawal of international protection decisions were made by the UK in 2022 broken down by nationality of applicant and by applicant's protection status. (142896)

- 253 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the average duration of the asylum procedure at first instance is in the UK. (142897)
- 254 Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, with reference to her Department's statutory guidance entitled
 Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act: anti-social behaviour, updated in
 December 2022, what account she has taken of the potential effectiveness of
 mediation in assessing the use of powers to tackle anti-social behaviour. (142744)
- 255 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps the Government is taking to ensure the safety of victims of domestic abuse whilst police investigations are underway and alleged perpetrators of that abuse are on bail. (142876)
- 256NSarah Atherton (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether a Service Police Complaints Commissioner has been appointed. (142881)
- 257NSarah Atherton (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when the concurrent jurisdiction protocol will be published. (142882)
- 258NSarah Atherton (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when the Suicide Action Plan for the armed forces will be implemented. (142883)
- 259NSarah Atherton (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people in the (a) army, (b) navy, (c) air force and (d) Royal Marines died as a result of suicide in each of the last five years. (142884)
- 260NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much his Department has spent on housing members of the (a) army, (b) navy and (c) air force in hotels due to substandard single living accommodation in the latest period for which data is available. (142626)
- 261NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when he plans to publish the Haythornthwaite Review of Armed Forces Incentivisation. (142627)
- 262NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the documents entitled Map of Lands owned by the MOD UK establishments North Region, published on 12 December 2014, and Map of Lands owned by the MOD UK establishments South Region, published on 17 December 2014, if he will provide a complete data set for (a) Wales, (b) North West, (c) Yorkshire and the Humber, (d) West Midlands, (e) East Midlands and (f) East of England.
- 263NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 3 February to Question 136505 on Claro Barracks:

 Closures, how much of the savings from the disposal of the wider defence estate will be generated by the disposal of Claro Barracks by 2026. (142629)

- 264NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 3 February to Question 136506 on Claro Barracks:

 Closures, how much of the investment his Department is making in the defence estate will be spent on the maintenance of Claro Barracks until 2026. (142630)
- 265N**Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, for what reason the Government has resumed payments to General Dynamics. (142636)
- 266NMr Kevan Jones (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much has been paid to General Dynamics from the public purse for the AJAX programme. (142637)
- 267NKenny MacAskill (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the Government is informed of the number of US intelligence officers working for the (a) CIA and (b) NSA hosted at British military and intelligence sites in the UK.

 (142835)
- 268 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department is taking steps to provide air defences to Ukraine. (142704)
- Apsana Begum (Poplar and Limehouse): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he is taking to reduce backlogs in the family courts; and whether he has assessed the potential impact of reinstating legal aid contracts and restoring early legal advice for family law cases on reducing the backlogs. (142855)
- 270NDan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether he has had recent discussions with the senior presiding judge of England and Wales on whether his recent guidance to magistrates on the suspension of the granting of warrants for forced entry to install prepayment meters included the cancellation of warrants previously approved but yet to be actioned. (142815)
- 271 **Rosie Duffield** (Canterbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what assessment he has made in the effectiveness of community service at removing litter in communities. (142803)
- 272NMr Laurence Robertson (Tewkesbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what data his Department holds the proportion of decisions on ECH plans assessments that were overturned at a tribunal in England for each of the last three years; and if he will make a statement.

 [Transferred] (141340)
- 273NAndy Slaughter (Hammersmith): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 6 February 2023 to Question 137767 on Ministry of Justice:

 Liability, what specific legal challenge caused the increase in value. (142642)
- 274 Karin Smyth (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, what progress the Government has made on discussions on checks on goods moving from Great Britain to Northern Ireland under the Northern Ireland Protocol.

 (142751)

- 275NVirginia Crosbie (Ynys Môn): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of a freeport in Anglesey on the economy in North Wales; and what recent discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Wales on the Anglesey Freeport bid. (142888)
- 276 **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many and what proportion of applications to HMRC for discretionary refunds of the higher rate of Stamp Duty Land Tax were accepted for people who own properties in buildings with issues with external wall cladding. (142738)
- 277N**Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what fiscal steps his Department is taking to help ensure that increases in the cost of living do not disproportionately impact (a) blind and (b) partially sighted people.

 (142786)
- 278 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of establishing a fund for research into the potential impact of plastic on human health. (142898)
- 279NStewart Malcolm McDonald (Glasgow South): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department is taking steps to help support people who (a) took out mortgages before 2008 and are unable to switch to cheaper mortgage deals and (b) are likely to have high interest rates on their new mortgage deals.

 (142755)
- 280N Pat McFadden (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many full-time equivalent staff were employed by the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation in each of the last 5 years in each grade. (142646)
- 281NPat McFadden (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many times Ministers in his Department were (a) consulted on and (b) asked to authorise, waivers or exemptions for designations under the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 sanctions regime and subsequent amendments.
- 282NPat McFadden (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what is the total value of authorised waivers or exemptions to any sanction regime agreed by the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation in each of the last five years, broken down by sanctions regime. (142648)
- 283NPat McFadden (Wolverhampton South East): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many financial penalties have been issued by the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation for breaches of sanctions under the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) Regulations 2022; and what is the total value of those penalties.

- 284N **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the conclusions of the report by Oxford Economics entitled Assessing the impact of tax-free shopping in the UK, published in November 2022. (142890)
- 285NJames Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when he will answer Question 136859 on High-risk Wealth Programme tabled on 31 January 2022 by the hon. Member for Ealing North. (142859)
- 286NDr Alan Whitehead (Southampton, Test): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what assessment his Department has made of including the potential benefits of (a) gas, (b) pumped storage hydroelectricity, (c) battery storage, (d) coal and (e) oil generation in the Electricity Generator Levy. (142621)
- 287 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will publish the level of appreciation of mileage rates payments accounting for inflation for public sector employees since 2010. (142861)
- 288 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will publish the level of appreciation of mileage rates payments accounting for inflation for local government employees since 2010. (142862)
- 289 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will publish the level of appreciation of mileage rates payments accounting for inflation for national health service employees since 2010. (142863)

Questions for Answer on Tuesday 21 February

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Jonathan Reynolds (Stalybridge and Hyde): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many business deaths there were in each local authority in England in 2022. (142682)
- Alex Norris (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to paragraph 4.4 of his Department's guidance entitled Levelling Up Fund Round 2: explanatory note on the assessment and decision-making process published on 19 January 2023, whether an impact assessment was undertaken of the sequential decision-making process Ministers adopted to select successful bids.
- 3N Alex Norris (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to paragraph 4.4 of his Department's guidance entitled Levelling Up Fund Round 2: explanatory note on the assessment

- and decision-making process published on 19 January 2023, whether an alternative shortlisting process was considered before adopting the sequential decision-making process used by Ministers. (142808)
- 4N Alex Norris (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will publish the assessment scores awarded to successful bids in Round 2 of the Levelling Up Fund. (142809)
- Alex Norris (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to paragraph 4.1 of his Department's guidance entitled Levelling Up Fund Round 2: explanatory note on the assessment and decision-making process published on 19 January 2023, which representatives from No. 10 attended meetings to discuss the shortlist of bids in Round 2 of the Levelling Up Fund.
- 6N Alex Norris (Nottingham North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, how much of the £4.8 billion allocated by his Department for the Levelling Up Fund has been spent as of (a) 18 January 2023 and (b) 8 February 2023. (142811)
- 7N **Steve McCabe** (Birmingham, Selly Oak): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking help attract international (a) investment and (b) partnerships to research and development facilities outside the UK's largest universities. [Transferred] (141341)
- 8N Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 6 February 2023 to Question [X] on [X], what assessment he has made of the reason for the increase in the number of Personal Independence Payment claims disallowed for non-return of the AR1 form between 2017 and 2021.
- 9N Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many Personal Independence Payment claimants were identified as needing Additional Support and automatically progressed to the provider for an assessment in each of the last five years. (142828)
- 10N Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department takes to ensure it can correctly identify benefits claimants in need of additional support. (142831)
- 11N Yasmin Qureshi (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent estimate he has made of the number of (i) Dental Nurses, (ii) Dental Hygienists, (iii) Dental Technicians, (iv) Clinical Dental Technicians, (v) Orthodontic Therapists and (vi) Dental Therapists working in the NHS. (142654)

- 12N Yasmin Qureshi (Bolton South East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of making (a) dental nurses, (b) dental hygienists, (c) dental technicians, (d) clinical dental technicians, (e) orthodontic therapists and (f) dental therapists employees of the NHS.
- 13N Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking with his
 international counterparts to ensure the Bab al-Hawa border crossing from
 Turkey to north west Syria is fully operational following damage sustained to that
 crossing as a result of the recent earthquake in that region. (142718)
- 14N Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the
 implications for enabling humanitarian aid to reach north west Syria of recent
 reports that (a) the Bab al Hawa border crossing from Turkey to north west Syria
 has been damaged as a result of the recent earthquakes in that region and (b)
 Turkish authorities are not allowing rescue teams to access Syria through that
 border crossing; and if he will make a statement. (142719)
- 15N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when her Department plans to respond to correspondence from the Rt Hon. Member for East Ham dated 29 November 2022, reference ST101757. (142622)
- 16N Lloyd Russell-Moyle (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the hon. Member for Broxbourne, representing the Speaker's Committee for the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority, by what proportion the staffing budget for the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority has changed in each of the last ten years. (142801)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 22 February

Questions for Written Answer

1N **Tony Lloyd** (Rochdale): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what discussions he has had with HMRC on a recent change of a policy on the way in which HMRC deals with those individuals who are both directors and employees for redundancy payment purposes in the event of a company going into liquidation. (142631)