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## Questions tabled on Friday 21 April 2023

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  - [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.
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### Questions for Answer on Monday 24 April

#### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what data his Department holds on the number of people who died from air pollution in (a) Enfield and (b) London in each year since 2017. [Transferred] (182104)
- 2 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what information his Department holds on the number of people who died from alcoholism in (a) Enfield and (b) London in each year since 2018. [Transferred] (182106)
- 3 **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what information his Department holds on the number of people who died from obesity in (a) Enfield and (b) London in each year since 2017. [Transferred] (182107)
- 4 **Mrs Sharon Hodgson** (Washington and Sunderland West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what incentives her Department plans to introduce to encourage businesses to offer flexible working arrangements that help enable jobseekers with SEND to access employment. [Transferred] (181849)
- 5N **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether her Department has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of introducing compulsory ethnicity pay gap reporting. [Transferred] (181548)
- 6N **Tulip Siddiq** (Hampstead and Kilburn): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps her Department is taking to reduce the ethnicity pay gap. [Transferred] (181550)

- 7 **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will bring forward plans to provide immediate financial support to help families meet childcare costs. [Transferred] (182055)
- 8 **Mr Toby Perkins** (Chesterfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to support people with coeliac disease, in the context of rises in food prices. [Transferred] (181938)
- 9 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent assessment her Department has made of the adequacy of equipment available to fight wild fires. [Transferred] (181930)

## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 25 April

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much his Department spent on staff training related to diversity and inclusion in 2022. (182119)
- 2N **Jim McMahon** (Oldham West and Royton): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many (a) agriculture, (b) forestry and (c) fishing businesses were registered in (a) 2010, (b) 2015 and (c) 2020. [Transferred] (182042)
- 3 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent estimate he has made of when the Aston Grange solar and energy storage project will be connected to the power grid. (182190)
- 4 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he plans to take steps to ensure that any changes to The Offshore Oil and Gas Exploration, Production, Unloading and Storage (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2020 do not increase greenhouse gas emissions and marine impacts from oil and gas platforms. (182147)
- 5 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when his Department plans to pay the Energy Bill Support Scheme Alternative Funding payments for eligible claimants who applied for by the end of February 2023. (182159)
- 6 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the guidance by Ofgem entitled Involuntary PPM: Supplier Code of Practice, published on 18 April 2023, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of the requirement for a supplier to make at least 10 attempts to engage with a customer before involuntary installation of a prepayment meter. (182198)

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- 7 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the guidance by Ofgem entitled Involuntary PPM: Supplier Code of Practice, published on 18 April 2023, whether Ofgem plans to make the record of suppliers attempts to contact a customer available to each customer. (182199)
- 8 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the guidance by Ofgem entitled Involuntary PPM: Supplier Code of Practice, published on 18 April 2023, whether (a) Ofgem and (b) his Department has adopted standard (i) financial assessment protocols and (ii) decision matrices to assess the ability to pay of any household they have reason to believe has a medium risk characteristic. (182200)
- 9 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the guidance by Ofgem entitled Involuntary PPM: Supplier Code of Practice, published on 18 April 2023, whether Ofgem plans to publish supplier board reports on all activities related to involuntary prepayment meter installation. (182201)
- 10 **Beth Winter** (Cynon Valley): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the guidance by Ofgem entitled Involuntary PPM: Supplier Code of Practice, published on 18 April 2023, whether Ofgem plans to publish inspection reports on each supplier's activities related to involuntary prepayment meter installation. (182202)
- 11 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, If he will he make an assessment of the potential merits of providing additional funding to Homes England to complete building schemes in Weaver Vale, in the context of Lane End Developments Construction Ltd entering administration. (182189)
- 12 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2023 to Question 147433 on Private Rented Housing: Evictions, in which month he plans to publish the Renters Reform Bill. (182122)
- 13N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he plans to reintroduce the Private Parking Code of Practice. (182140)
- 14 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will take steps to disapply the local connection tests for veterans seeking social housing who left service over five years ago. (182197)

- 15 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to The Houses in Multiple Occupation (Asylum-Seeker Accommodation) (England) Regulations 2023, whether his Department plans to introduce safeguards to mitigate against asylum seeker accommodation becoming potentially (a) overcrowded, (b) unsafe or (c) uninhabitable. (182173)
- 16 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, The Houses in Multiple Occupation (Asylum-Seeker Accommodation) (England) Regulations 2023, whether he has made an assessment of the potential impact of those regulations on the well-being of asylum seekers. (182174)
- 17 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to The Houses in Multiple Occupation (Asylum-Seeker Accommodation) (England) Regulations 2023, what assessment his Department has made of the impact of those measures and policy on (a) potential savings for Government contractors and (b) costs incurred by local authorities. (182175)
- 18 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to The Houses in Multiple Occupation (Asylum-Seeker Accommodation) (England) Regulations 2023, what assessment he has made of the suitability of deregulating housing provisions for properties that accommodate asylum seekers; and for what reason this measure applies only to asylum seeker accommodation. (182176)
- 19 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that (a) roads are adequately maintained and (b) potholes are fixed promptly in Weaver Vale constituency. (182192)
- 20 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of First-tier Tribunal (Social Security and Child Support) Child Maintenance hearings where his Department is the first respondent are attended by an official from his Department. (182160)
- 21 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of First-tier Tribunal (Social Security and Child Support) Employment and Support Allowance hearings where his Department is the respondent are attended by an official from his Department. (182161)
- 22 **Karin Smyth** (Bristol South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what proportion of First-tier Tribunal (Social Security and Child Support) Personal Independence Payment hearings where his Department is the respondent are attended by an official from his Department. (182162)
- 23 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the Major Conditions Strategy will include steps to help tackle chronic kidney disease. (182168)

- 24 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of including kidney function testing in the Our Future Health research programme. (182169)
- 25 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce kidney disease-related health disparities. (182170)
- 26 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the effectiveness of the NICE guidelines that were issued following the outbreak of covid-19 in respect of drugs that cause respiratory depression. (182185)
- 27 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps her Department is taking to improve knowledge in (a) patients and (b) providers of the increased risk of (i) cancer going unnoticed in a mammogram if the patient has dense breasts and (ii) breast cancer with the level of density in the breast. (182187)
- 28 **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will hold discussions with his counterparts in Egypt on releasing Alaa Abdel Fattah, Mohamed Baker and Neama Hisham from detention. (182138)
- 29 **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department plans to allow those on British National (Overseas) visas to work as professional sportspeople. (182188)
- 30 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing support to Halton Veterans Legion for a veterans reunion to mark the sinking of USS Evans. (182191)
- 31 **Chris Evans** (Islwyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 7 March 2023 to Question 156045 on Armed Forces: Germany, how many personnel from the (a) RAF, (b) Army and (c) Navy are training with the German armed forces. (182148)
- 32 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many sustainability officers are employed by his Department. (182120)
- 33 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many civil servants in his Department work full time on sustainability. (182121)
- 34 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent estimate he has made of when HMS Prince of Wales will be available to Commander UK Strike Force for operational tasking. (182123)
- 35 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, which Minister is responsible for arrangements for the Ukraine Recovery Conference in London in June 2023. (182127)

- 36 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has (a) received and (b) accepted a Military Aid to Civilian Authorities request from the Scottish Government to explore the feasibility of the Department providing a temporary replacement for the Corran ferry service. (182130)
- 37 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has set any contractual requirements on Babcock for blocks and modules for the Type 31 programme to be produced in the UK. (182131)
- 38 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the locations are of the shipyard where each block and module of the Type 31 programme are being produced. (182132)
- 39 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the blocks and modules for the Type 31 programme are being produced in Poland. (182133)
- 40 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what proportion of the workshare for the Type 31 programme is based (a) in the UK and (b) overseas. (182134)
- 41 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what proportion of the steel cut for Batch 2 Type 31 frigates is sourced from (a) the UK and (b) overseas. (182135)
- 42 **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, when he expects the report from the National Review of Health and Social Care in Women's Prisons will be published. (182163)
- 43 **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether the National Review of Health and Social Care in Women's Prisons is expected to cover women's sexual and reproductive healthcare in the prison system. (182164)
- 44 **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what data his Department holds on the number of (a) pregnant women and (b) mothers of babies under two years old who have entered the prison system on remand in the last year. (182165)
- 45 **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department has taken recent steps to ensure that women who become pregnant while awaiting court or sentencing have their pregnancy considered as a mitigating factor. (182166)
- 46 **Carolyn Harris** (Swansea East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department is taking steps to reduce the number of (a) pregnant women and (b) mothers of babies under the age of two who are sent to prison. (182167)
- 47 **Steve Reed** (Croydon North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many court applications to extend supervision due to community sentence unpaid work going unfulfilled were made by his Department in each year since 2010. (182153)



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- 48 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department is taking steps to help improve access to (a) Child Trust Funds (b) Junior ISAs for the guardians of young people without capacity to make financial decisions. (182136)
- 49 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what steps his Department is taking to improve the call answer rates for HMRC helplines. (182178)
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## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 26 April

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Matthew Pennycook** (Greenwich and Woolwich): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether persons with at least one British Nationals (Overseas) parent but who are not themselves British Nationals (Overseas) are eligible to be employed in the Civil Service. (182177)
- 2N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether vouchers that are re-issued as lost or expired are counted separately within the tables provided for payments made under the Energy Bills support scheme. (182194)
- 3N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what UK minerals his Department accepts as critical to clean technology and energy security. (182195)
- 4N **Kenny MacAskill** (East Lothian): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what his Department's strategy is for the mining of UK minerals through clean technology for energy security. (182196)
- 5N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much and what proportion of Environment Agency's time is dedicated to (a) tackling permitted scrap metal operators acting illegally and (b) tackling unpermitted operators in the scrap metal sector accessing Grant-in-Aid funding. (182151)
- 6N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the number of visits that were carried out by local authority licensing officers to licensed scrap metal dealers in the last 12 months. (182150)
- 7N **Michael Fabricant** (Lichfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, for what reason a young person's railcard is not valid for use in local and national elections as voter ID; and if he will take steps to make the young person's railcard a valid form of voter ID. (182118)

- 8N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many times (a) he and (b) other Ministers from his Department have met with the Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust since September 2022. (182179)
- 9N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many times (a) he and (b) other Ministers from her Department have met with the Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust since September 2022. (182180)
- 10N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many times (a) he and (b) other Ministers from his Department have met the Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust since September 2022. (182181)
- 11N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many times (a) he and (b) other Ministers from his Department have met an NHS Mental Health Trust since September 2022. (182182)
- 12N **Dr Rosena Allin-Khan** (Tooting): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, which NHS Mental Health Trusts (a) he and (b) other Ministers from his Department have met since September 2022. (182183)
- 13N **Tony Lloyd** (Rochdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the main reasons for which the number of FTE children and family social workers leaving between October 2021 and September 2022 was the highest since figures began to be collected in 2017; and what plans he has to increase recruitment and retention of children and family social workers. (182139)
- 14N **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 17 April 2023 to Question 176568 on Ukraine: Humanitarian Aid, whether his Department has a planned timescale for the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation to issue a licence to allow funds from the sale of Chelsea FC to be spent on humanitarian aid in Ukraine. (182137)
- 15N **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make it his policy to provide an additional £70 million for the treatment of wasting for acutely malnourished children in East Africa. (182154)
- 16N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 20 April 2023 to Question 180766 on Development Aid: Climate Change, how much and what proportion of the £11.6 billion in international climate finance announced in 2019 has been delivered. (182184)



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- 17N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what the aims and objectives are for the Ukraine Recovery Conference 2023. (182128)
- 18N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many scrap metal operators were prosecuted for (a) not holding a licence and (b) paying cash for scrap metal in the last three years; and how many and what proportion of these prosecutions resulted in a conviction. (182149)
- 19N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has had recent discussions with NATO officials on the (a) repairs to HMS Prince of Wales and (b) potential impact of those repairs on the UK's NATO obligations. (182124)
- 20N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of HMS Prince of Wales' repairs on HMS Queen Elizabeth's (a) maintenance schedule and (b) operational commitments. (182125)
- 21N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent assessment he has made of whether British components have been used in Russian weaponry in Ukraine in 2023. (182126)
- 22N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much funding (a) the UK and (b) Germany have provided to the Wide Wet Gap Crossing defence procurement project. (182129)
- 23N **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 20 April 2023 to Question 177723 on Ministry of Defence: Staff, when staff in his Department's main building in Whitehall last completed a Leesman office survey; and how many and what proportion of respondents to that survey (a) agreed and (b) disagreed with the statements about their main workplace that (i) it enabled them to work productively, (ii) it supported them sharing ideas and knowledge among colleagues, (iii) it created an enjoyable environment to work in, (iv) it contributed to a sense of community at work, and (v) it was a place they were proud to bring visitors to. (182146)
- 24N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made an estimate of the economic cost of metal theft to the UK economy. (182152)
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## Questions for Answer on Thursday 27 April

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Anne McLaughlin** (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department is taking steps to help ensure the end of premiums for prepayment meter energy customers. (182155)
- 2N **Anne McLaughlin** (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will take steps to end the use of premiums for prepayment meter energy customers after the conclusion of the Energy Price Guarantee. (182156)
- 3N **Anne McLaughlin** (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of a permanent ban of (a) forced prepayment meter installations and (b) the remote switching of smart meters to prepayment mode for households where there is a disabled person present. (182157)
- 4N **Anne McLaughlin** (Glasgow North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with (a) energy suppliers and (b) Ofgem on ending the premiums for prepayment meter energy customers. (182158)
- 5N **Peter Aldous** (Waveney): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that full fibre broadband is available to all properties. [Transferred] (904667)
- 6N **Darren Jones** (Bristol North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that people can access humanitarian aid in Sudan. (182186)
- 7N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many reminder notifications her Department has sent in circumstances where an asylum claim questionnaire is not returned by the deadline in the latest period for which data is available. (182141)
- 8N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people were invited to a further interview following the receipt of an asylum claim questionnaire in the period since 22 February 2023. (182142)
- 9N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people were invited to an interview following the receipt of an asylum claim questionnaire in each (a) local authority and (b) constituency in the period since 22 February 2023. (182143)
- 10N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of people who submitted an asylum claim questionnaire were invited to an interview in the latest period for which data is available. (182144)

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- 11N **Dame Diana Johnson** (Kingston upon Hull North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum caseworkers were employed by her Department in March 2023. (182145)
- 12N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he expects to allocate additional funding to Babcock for the construction of the Type 32 frigates beyond that which was previously agreed. (182193)
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## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 2 May

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to help ensure the expansion of online essential services do not create barriers to access for elderly people. (182171)