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## Questions tabled on Monday 22 May 2023

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  - [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.
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### Questions for Answer on Tuesday 23 May

#### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 9 May to Question 183298 on Death: Greater London, how many total deaths excluding excess deaths due to COVID-19 of people aged 30 years and older were there in Greater London in each year between 2018 and 2022. [Transferred] (185870)
- 2 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many deaths from all causes there were in people aged 30 and older in (a) East Midlands, (b) East of England, (c) Greater London, (d) North East, (e) North West, (f) South East, (g) South West, (h) West Midlands, (i) Yorkshire and Humber and (j) England in each year since 2018. [Transferred] (185871)
- 3 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many deaths from all causes excluding covid-19 there were in people aged 30 and older in (a) East Midlands, (b) East of England, (c) Greater London, (d) North East, (e) North West, (f) South East, (g) South West, (h) West Midlands, (i) Yorkshire and Humber and (j) England in each year since 2018. [Transferred] (185872)
- 4 **Damian Green** (Ashford): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she is taking steps to help ensure that almshouse charities are regulated on a basis appropriate to small charities. [Transferred] (185864)
- 5 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether the guidance to support schools in relation to transgender pupils will include measures to help tackle transphobic bullying. [Transferred] (185932)

- 6 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department has published recent guidance for the (a) owners and (b) operators of large buildings in Greater London on replacing ageing (i) gas boilers and (ii) combined heat and power units with zero or ultra-low emission alternatives. [Transferred] (185867)
- 7N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 10 May 2023 to Question 183643 on Public Health, what other types of (a) financial and (b) societal costs are caused by air pollution. [Transferred] (185730)
- 8 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if his officials will have discussions with their counterparts in the (a) Department for Health and Social Care and (b) Treasury on aligning guidance for the District Valuer Service on assessing a reasonable market rental value for GP premises as prescribed by The National Health Service (General Medical Services – Premises Costs) Directions 2013 with the criteria used by planning authorities when agreeing suitable Section 106 conditions with developers to meet the need for local GP services. [Transferred] (185924)
- 9N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the proportion of public chargepoints that are suitable for commercial vehicles including HGVs that are (a) in operation and (b) planned. [Transferred] (185782)
- 10 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to meet representatives of London's Air Ambulance Charity to discuss their campaign for two new helicopters. [Transferred] (185907)
- 11 **John McDonnell** (Hayes and Harlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has previously supported air ambulance charities with targeted funding support; and if he will provide funding specifically targeted at air ambulance charities. [Transferred] (185876)

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## Questions for Answer on Wednesday 24 May

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what steps his Department is taking to help support companies registered in Northern Ireland compete for UK-wide public contracts. (186066)

- 2 **Mr Ben Bradshaw** (Exeter): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, how many parishes have a vacancy for (a) an incumbency and (b) a priest-in-charge in each diocese; and how many (i) incumbent and (ii) priest-in-charge vacancies there have been in each diocese in each of the last five years. (186010)
- 3 **Mr Ben Bradshaw** (Exeter): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what the average length was of vacancies for a parish (a) incumbent and (b) priest-in-charge in each of the last five years. (186011)
- 4 **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an assessment of the effectiveness of mechanisms to enable companies to remove (a) potentially defamatory reviews and (b) threatening comments from online review sites. (186014)
- 5 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, pursuant to the Answer of 19 May to Question 183852 on Regulation, whether these archival records have been reviewed as part of the audit of EU regulations. (186004)
- 6 **Mark Pawsey** (Rugby): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of the fines for retailers which sell vaping products to young people under the age of eighteen. (186092)
- 7 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what her expected timescale is for signing a free-trade agreement with Switzerland. (186017)
- 8 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make it her policy to discuss the facilitation of (a) travel and (b) cultural exchanges between the UK and Switzerland during free trade agreement negotiations with that country. (186037)
- 9 **Daisy Cooper** (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps the Government is taking to help ensure the financial security of UK Athletics. (186208)
- 10 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, if she will hold discussions with Arts Council England on the potential implications for its funding of the Theatre Royal Stratford East of that theatre hosting a play to which white people have been asked not to attend. (186005)
- 11 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether social tariffs overwrite existing broadband contracts for people in receipt of (a) Pension Credit, (b) Employment and Support Allowance, (c) Jobseekers' Allowance, (d) Income Support, (e) Personal Independence Payments and (f) Attendance Allowance. (186200)

- 12 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she plans to provide funding to (a) Romford and (b) other historic charter market towns for the promotion of their (i) history, (ii) heritage and (iii) identity. (186042)
- 13 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she is taking steps to support families with the cost of (a) primary and (b) secondary school uniforms. (186102)
- 14 **Ashley Dalton** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has made an assessment of the potential merits of increasing student maintenance loans above the planned 2.8 per cent given the current level of inflation. (186264)
- 15 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the implications for her policies on freedom of speech at universities of attempts to cancel an appearance at the Oxford Union by Professor Kathleen Stock; and if she will make a statement. (186006)
- 16 **Kim Johnson** (Liverpool, Riverside): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many times the Model history curriculum expert panel has met since its establishment; when those meetings took place; whether a draft of the model curriculum has been (a) written and (b) circulated to members of the panel; and what recent estimate she has made of when the model history curriculum will be published. (186263)
- 17 **Paul Maynard** (Blackpool North and Cleveleys): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, pursuant to the Answer of 15 May 2023 to Question 183685 on Disability and Special Educational Needs: Young People and the Answer of 15 May 2023 to Question 183686 on Education: Finance, how many (a) programmes and (b) activities were funded by local partnerships boards for young people with special educational needs in the last three years. (186110)
- 18 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what resources are available to schools on promoting the nuclear family. (186038)
- 19 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department is taking steps to (a) improve and (b) simplify access to tertiary education in the UK for people from St Helena. (186055)
- 20 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an estimate of the number and proportion of children who do not participate in (a) school trips and (b) residential due to financial constraints; and if she will make an assessment of the potential implications for her Department's policies. (186127)

- 21 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if her Department will make an assessment of the affordability of (a) transport to school and (b) school uniform for families that are not eligible for support for those costs. (186128)
- 22 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of providing free transport to and from school for all children. (186129)
- 23 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she has had recent discussions with representatives of the Romanian community on the rights of access to (a) schools and (b) after-school clubs for the children of Romanian parents; and if she will make a statement. (186002)
- 24 **Caroline Lucas** (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, pursuant to the Answer of 19 May 2023 to Question 184612 on Nuclear Power, whether his Department has made an assessment of alternative ways of providing stability to the grid which does not use nuclear power. (186088)
- 25 **John McNally** (Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department has taken to ensure the impartiality of Ofgem. (186194)
- 26 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of the level of competition in the retail energy market. (186236)
- 27 **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment the Government has made of the potential impact of the UK withdrawing from the Energy Charter Treaty. (186184)
- 28 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to support the British Virgin Islands to achieve its renewable energy targets. (186052)
- 29 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent steps he has taken to encourage the use of solar energy in the UK. (186063)
- 30 **Cat Smith** (Lancaster and Fleetwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that funding for climate adaptation is directed to countries that need it most. (186126)
- 31 **Peter Aldous** (Waveney): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues to support farmers importing plant protection products that require parallel trade permits. [R] (186077)

- 32 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what progress her Department has made on increasing access to nature through (a) improved maintenance of footpaths, (b) increasing the network of footpaths and (c) expansions of the freedom to roam. (186100)
- 33 **Siobhan Baillie** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an assessment of the monetary value of the benefits delivered by urban wetlands. (186258)
- 34 **Siobhan Baillie** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what responsibilities (a) her Department, (b) the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and (c) Natural England have for research into the benefits of green and blue infrastructure. (186259)
- 35 **Siobhan Baillie** (Stroud): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department plans to help finance (a) research on and (b) delivery of salt marsh restoration projects as a contribution to the national evidence base on carbon sequestration. (186260)
- 36 **Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the adequacy of progress by the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee to develop a UN plastics treaty. (186250)
- 37 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she will make an estimate of the contribution of urban wetlands to the economy. (186171)
- 38 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what responsibilities (a) her Department, (b) the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and (c) Natural England have for research into green and blue infrastructure. (186172)
- 39 **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an assessment of the monetary value of the benefits delivered by urban wetlands. (186173)
- 40 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much her Department has spent on reducing air pollution in Staffordshire in each of the last five years. (186165)
- 41 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much her Department has spent on reducing air pollution in Lincolnshire in each of the last five years. (186166)
- 42 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much her Department has spent on reducing air pollution in Warwickshire in each of the last five years. (186167)



- 43 **Ruth Jones** (Newport West): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much her Department has spent on reducing air pollution in Bedfordshire in each of the last five years. (186168)
- 44 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she is taking steps to create a network of shorter walks to encourage people to engage with walking. (186178)
- 45 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she is taking to help (a) wheelchair users and (b) people with limited mobility to access the countryside. (186179)
- 46 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of water levels in reservoirs to prevent water shortages. (186224)
- 47 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when Water UK first advised her Department that water providers intended to increase water bills rather than use profits to cover the cost of infrastructure to prevent sewage discharges. (186091)
- 48 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an estimate of the monetary value of the benefits delivered by urban wetlands. (186189)
- 49 **Sarah Olney** (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, in what way responsibility for research into green and blue infrastructure is shared between her Department, the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and Natural England. (186190)
- 50 **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he is taking steps to help improve indoor air quality in (a) social housing, (b) the private rented sector and (c) for homeowners through changes to planning regulations. (185999)
- 51N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made with Cabinet colleagues of the impact of the time taken for planning consent to be agreed on introducing depot charging facilities at logistics sites. [Transferred] (185997)
- 52 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he plans to accept the recommendations made in the Independent Review by Colin Bloom commissioned by his Department and published on 26 April 2023. (186249)
- 53 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what his timetable is for the Office for Local Government to start operating. (186162)

- 54 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether local plans can be amended to include a review process as a result of changes in planning directions. (186175)
- 55 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what guidance his Department issues to inspectors working on local plans on meetings with interested parties to discuss the future of those plans. (186176)
- 56 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has had recent discussions with Harrow Council on the potential impact of bankruptcy at that council on public services; and if he will make a statement. (186003)
- 57 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether her Department plans to take steps to help ensure that AI (a) algorithms and (b) systems are transparent, explainable, and free from bias or discrimination. (186114)
- 58 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps she is taking to support (a) responsible research and development into and (b) the use of ethical practices on artificial intelligence by industry. (186115)
- 59 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she is taking steps with stakeholders from the artificial intelligence industry to establish (a) standards and (b) guidelines for the (i) safe and (ii) secure deployment of artificial intelligence technologies. (186116)
- 60 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to support international (a) cooperation and (b) coordination on artificial intelligence regulation on (i) tackling cross-border challenges and (ii) ensuring that ethical standards are upheld globally. (186117)
- 61 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to her Department's publication entitled A pro-innovation approach to AI regulation, published on 29 March 2023, what steps her Department plans to take to ensure regulatory frameworks keep pace with (a) emerging AI applications and (b) other technological advancements. (186118)
- 62 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she is taking steps to support the (a) growth and (b) commercialisation of scientific research in Havering. (186044)
- 63N **Tonia Antoniazzi** (Gower): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to shorten the time taken by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency to undertake surveys and safety inspections on fishing vessels. [Transferred] (185942)



- 64 **Ben Bradley** (Mansfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of the Chesterfield and Staveley Regeneration Route. (186148)
- 65 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department is taking steps to help support train operators to update the wifi network on trains in England. (186180)
- 66 **Ashley Dalton** (West Lancashire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what impact the Government's announcement on scrapping new smart motorways will have on existing smart motorways. (186265)
- 67 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, for what reason the A316 from Junction 1 of the M3 to the Whitton Road roundabout has speed limits of 40mph and 50mph. (186217)
- 68 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to improve the A30 as a secondary route for the M3. (186218)
- 69 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had discussions with (a) businesses, (b) industry representatives and (c) other stakeholders on encouraging a move from road to rail for the transport of goods. (186136)
- 70 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department takes to help ensure continuity in the inspection of vehicles as part of the MOT process. (186121)
- 71 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what guidance his Department has published on the construction of soft roundabouts on public highways. (186122)
- 72 **Mr Rob Roberts** (Delyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the oral contribution of 20 April 2023 by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Transport, Official Report, column 366, whether he has had discussions with the Welsh Government on what steps it is taking to upgrade the A55. (186225)
- 73 **Mr Rob Roberts** (Delyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the oral contribution of 20 April 2023 by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Transport, Official Report, column 366, what estimate he has made of the timescale for the electrification of the north Wales Mainline. (186226)
- 74 **Mr Rob Roberts** (Delyn): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the oral contribution of 20 April 2023 by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Transport, Official Report, column 366, what progress his Department has made on the recommendations of the Union Connectivity Review on improving connectivity between North Wales and North West England on (a) the A55 and (b) the North Wales Coast Main Line. (186227)

- 75 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has had recent discussions with his Indian counterpart on reforming the air services agreement with Air India; and if he will make a statement. (186007)
- 76 **Gareth Thomas** (Harrow West): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made a recent estimate of future trends in the level of demand for flights to (a) Gujarat and (b) other parts of India; and if he will make a statement. (186008)
- 77 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to ensure that disabled people have equal access to public transport. (186093)
- 78 **Sir Gavin Williamson** (South Staffordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, for what reason larger local transport authorities have greater access to funding for disabled bus passes compared to smaller local transport authorities. (186094)
- 79 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether carers approaching state pension age who will lose their entitlement to Carer's Allowance are automatically directed to claim Pension Credit.. (186196)
- 80 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether there is a saving to the public purse when State Pension replaces Carer's Allowance. (186197)
- 81 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an estimate of the cost to the public purse of providing additional financial support to carers in receipt of the State Pension. (186198)
- 82 **David Linden** (Glasgow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the midlife MOT review announced in the Spring Budget 2023 on improving the uptake of Pension Wise guidance. (186124)
- 83 **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 22 May 2023 to Question 184992 on Personal Independence Payment: Dentures, whether his Department has a list of aids and appliances that are recognised for claimants of the Personal Independence Payment. (186109)
- 84 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to page 75 of the Spring Budget 2023, HC 1183, published in March 2023, whether additional financial support for childcare will be available for families who are not currently receiving universal credit childcare support before April 2024. (186041)

- 85 **Rushanara Ali** (Bethnal Green and Bow): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to provide funding to London's Air Ambulance Charity to help it maintain air ambulance provision. (186101)
- 86 **Paul Bristow** (Peterborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many integrated care boards include representatives of dentists. (186164)
- 87 **Ruth Cadbury** (Brentford and Isleworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many dementia diagnoses were made in (a) the London Borough of Hounslow and (b) Greater London in each of the last five years. (186193)
- 88 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of data gathered from the first year of opt-out blood-borne virus testing; and whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending that testing to all areas with a high prevalence of HIV. (186242)
- 89 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he will make a decision on expanding opt-out blood-borne virus testing to all areas with a high HIV prevalence. (186244)
- 90 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 15 February 2023 to Question 141370 on Protective Clothing, if he will publish the evidence that supports the recommendation for patients at high risk of infection due to immunosuppression to continue wearing masks in NHS settings; and if he will undertake a cost benefit analysis of that recommendation. (186059)
- 91 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of introducing FibroScans in primary care to improve early diagnosis of non-alcohol related fatty liver disease. (186182)
- 92 **Peter Gibson** (Darlington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to monitor progress against the target to deliver FibroScan testing for liver fibrosis through Community Diagnostic Centres in England by March 2025. (186183)
- 93 **Chris Green** (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Delivery plan for recovering access to primary care, published on 9 May 2023, what steps his Department is taking to improve IT connectivity between community pharmacies and other parts of the NHS. (186186)
- 94 **Chris Green** (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Delivery plan for recovering access to primary care, published on 9 May 2023, what assessment his Department has made of the potential role of the pharmacy sector in helping patients to monitor (a) high blood pressure and (b) other long-term conditions at home. (186187)

- 95 **Chris Green** (Bolton West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will make an assessment of the potential impact of (a) automated dispensing technology, (b) digital consultations and (c) other digital technologies on levels of efficiency in the pharmacy sector. (186188)
- 96 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will ensure that his Department's work on pandemic preparedness planning includes immunogenicity research. (186072)
- 97 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to include people who are immunocompromised in clinical trials for vaccines. (186073)
- 98 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to fund research into mucosal immunity. (186074)
- 99 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to publish a vaccine strategy. (186075)
- 100 **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has taken steps to establish a UK-wide vaccinology research network. (186076)
- 101 **Sally-Ann Hart** (Hastings and Rye): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what information the NHS provides to patients following a (a) stroke and (b) heart attack on the symptoms of vascular dementia. (186266)
- 102 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what plans he has to improve the enforcement on regulations standards for vape pens. (186214)
- 103 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to tackle online content targeted at young people that promotes vaping. (186215)
- 104 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessments he has made of the adequacy of branding and packaging regulations for e-cigarettes manufacturers in ensuring those goods do not appeal to children and teenagers under the age of 18. (186216)
- 105 **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to ensure (a) consistency and (b) adequate monitoring of care standards in care homes. (186251)
- 106 **Andrew Lewer** (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will publish the members of the delegation which attended the Global Tobacco Regulators Forum in 2023. (186145)

- 107 **Andrew Lewer** (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the effectiveness of WHO's implementation of harm reduction strategies to help reduce smoking; and will he make a statement. (186146)
- 108 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his timetable is for launching a new care workforce pathway for adult social care. (186160)
- 109 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the data published by the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities entitled Excess Mortality in England, published on 12 May 2023, if he will commission an investigation into the reasons for trends in the level of (a) unexpected deaths from cardiovascular causes and (b) extra deaths in people under the age of 64 in last 12 months. (186119)
- 110 **Esther McVey** (Tatton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if his Department will conduct an investigation into the excess deaths in England in the last 12 months. (186120)
- 111 **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of providing funding to NHS England for (a) drug administration, (b) the management of side effects, (c) standardised delivery and (d) other costs for every approved Systemic Anti-Cancer Therapy regime. (186071)
- 112 **Sarah Owen** (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to improve dementia diagnosis rates across the country. (186219)
- 113 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the number of people that have been prescribed sleeping pills in the last five years. (186060)
- 114 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps his Department has taken to help tackle shortages of (a) consultants and (b) other NHS staff. (186061)
- 115 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an estimate of the number of people who have been diagnosed with bipolar disorder in the last five years. (186062)
- 116 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what data his Department holds on the number of patients in England and Wales with continence care needs; and what steps is he taking to ensure that such patients have access to (a) the most clinically appropriate products for their needs and (b) an adequate supply of clinically appropriate products. (186111)

- 117 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to support fathers suffering from postnatal depression. (186204)
- 118 **Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make it his policy to introduce monitoring of postnatal depression for fathers during routine NHS health visits. (186205)
- 119 **Robert Courts** (Witney): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will take steps to condemn Iran for its alleged support for the Palestinian Islamic Jihad's recent attacks on Israel. [R] (186220)
- 120 **Robert Courts** (Witney): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking with his international partners to help support Israel to tackle terrorist threats from the Gaza Strip. [R] (186221)
- 121 **Ben Everitt** (Milton Keynes North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to (a) help tackle (i) child labour, (ii) child marriage, (iii) malnutrition and (iv) other barriers to education and (b) improve (A) access to education and (B) learning outcomes in fragile and conflict-affected states. (186269)
- 122 **Ben Everitt** (Milton Keynes North): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to help ensure that the psychosocial needs of children are being met in (i) fragile and conflict-affected states and (ii) other humanitarian contexts. (186270)
- 123 **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to (a) strengthen partnerships with African countries and (b) support greater African representation in multilateral fora. (186170)
- 124 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of allegations of rendition and torture at the Diego Garcia military base between 2001 and 2008. (186237)
- 125 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential role of the Chagos Islands in supporting the UK's long-term geopolitical interests. (186238)
- 126 **Ms Anum Qaisar** (Airdrie and Shotts): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of the level of aid provided by his Department to (a) Afghanistan and (b) Pakistan in financial years (i) 2022-23 and (ii) 2023-24. (186255)



- 127 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his counterparts in the Pacific region on the potential upgrading of Honorary Consulates in (a) the Solomon Islands, (b) Vanuatu and (c) Tuvalu to High Commissions. (186039)
- 128 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to visit Tuvalu in the next year. (186040)
- 129 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking diplomatic steps to tackle the potential (a) influence and (b) presence of China in the South Atlantic region; and if he will make a statement. (186049)
- 130 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to support the deep sea fishing industry in the British Virgin Islands. (186050)
- 131 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to support the tourism industry in Montserrat. (186051)
- 132 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to help support the development of renewable energy on Tristan da Cunha. (186053)
- 133 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to help support the development of renewable energy in Anguilla. (186054)
- 134 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to help support the preservation of coral reefs surrounding the Turks and Caicos Islands. (186057)
- 135 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the Government is taking steps to help support the development of Anguilla's aviation and transport links. (186058)
- 136 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of creating a children and youth advisory council within his Department to help ensure that children and young people are consulted within crisis response and long-term development work. (186045)

- 137 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of creating a special envoy on ending violence against children to help champion that issue and sustain high-level attention. (186046)
- 138 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to consult children on ways to address barriers to education. (186047)
- 139 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that the psychosocial needs of children in (a) fragile, (b) conflict-affected and (c) humanitarian contexts are met appropriately. (186048)
- 140 **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make it his policy to (a) scale up the £11.6 billion of climate finance pledged over five years to developing countries and (b) include funding modalities that are accessible to local civil society actors. (186103)
- 141 **Matt Vickers** (Stockton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps his Department has taken to help support UK citizens who have family that are leaving Sudan; and whether his Department plans to take steps to support their safe transportation to the UK. (186252)
- 142 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has made an assessment of the necessity of relevant persons of Northern Ireland providing a physical copy of their Irish passport when renewing their British passport. (186253)
- 143 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether her Department plans to publish an impact assessment for the proposed electronic travel authorisation scheme. (186271)
- 144 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 18 May 2023 to Question 184276 on Refugees: Afghanistan, what categories of data her Department holds on its role in the Afghan Relations and Assistance Policy. (186023)
- 145 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many applications for naturalisation her Department received in each year since 2010; and what the average processing time was for those applications in each of those years. (186130)

- 146 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many and what proportion of applications for (a) asylum, (b) indefinite leave to remain and (c) citizenship were submitted more than 12 months ago; and how many and what proportion of such applications submitted in (i) 2007, (ii) 2008 and (iii) 2009 took more than 12 months to be processed. (186163)
- 147 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what guidance her Department has for UK nationals applying for passports who are unable to obtain full original birth certificates from the countries they were born in. (186203)
- 148 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent trends in recorded crimes her Department has identified. (186123)
- 149 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she is taking steps to monitor the effectiveness of police enforcement of the ban on live hunting under the Hunting Act 2004. (186043)
- 150 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what recent estimate her Department has made of the prevalence of passport fraud. (186064)
- 151 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much funding her Department provided to the (a) Refuge National Domestic Abuse Helpline, (b) National Perpetrator Helpline run by Respect, (c) Men's Advice Line, (d) Galop national LGBT+ victims' helpline, (e) National Stalking Helpline operated by the Suzy Lamplugh Trust and (f) Revenge Porn Helpline operated by SWGfL in the (i) 2022/23 and (ii) 2023/24 financial years. (186090)
- 152 **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much capital infrastructure funding has been provided to (a) Royal Naval Armaments Depot Coulport and (b) HM Naval Base Clyde in each of the last five financial years. (186149)
- 153 **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget allocation is for capital infrastructure projects at (a) Royal Naval Armaments Depot Coulport and (b) HM Naval Base Clyde in (i) financial year 2023-24 and (ii) subsequent financial years. (186150)
- 154 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when his Department expects HMS Venturer to be put into the water. (186019)
- 155 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when his Department expects HMS Venturer to be handed over to the Royal Navy. (186020)
- 156 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent assessment he has made of the potential importance of the Chagos Islands as a military asset. (186239)

- 157 **Andrew Rosindell** (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, for what reason a RAF C-17 Globemaster plane was at St Helena Airport between the 19th May and 20th May 2023; what activities this plane has undertaken in the last 12 months; and if he will make a statement. (186056)
- 158 **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of giving (a) legal and (b) financial support for journalists who are the subject of strategic litigation against public participation lawsuits undertaken by (i) businesses and (ii) individuals linked to the Russian state. [Transferred] (185968)
- 159 **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 7 September 2022 to Question 45488 on Marriage: Location, whether he plans to implement the Law Commission's recommendations on removing restrictions on venues where civil and religious marriages can take place; and if he will make a statement. (186028)
- 160 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what steps he plans to take to ensure that people in the criminal justice system have immediate access to pre-trial trauma services. (186181)
- 161 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what data his Department holds on the number of individuals convicted of revenge porn in each of the last five years. (186065)
- 162 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, whether he has made a recent assessment of the adequacy of the level of public funding for policing in Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement. (186067)
- 163 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much revenue has accrued to the public purse from national insurance contributions from people aged under 30 in each of the last five years. (186161)
- 164 **Charlotte Nichols** (Warrington North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to impose additional taxes on the profits of water companies. (186192)
- 165 **Jonathan Reynolds** (Stalybridge and Hyde): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many officials in his Department work on policies relating to mutual societies. (186089)
- 166 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Wales, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the Welsh Government's decision to spend £440,082 on (a) insect and plant-based proteins and (b) other alternative food sources. (186248)
- 167 **Elliot Colburn** (Carshalton and Wallington): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what her policy is on whether schools should tell unsupportive parents that their children are trans and gender questioning. (186282)

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## Questions for Answer on Thursday 25 May

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how many homeless veterans his Department has supported into accommodation in each month of 2023. (186276)
- 2N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what estimate his Department has made of the number of veterans who were homeless in each month in 2023. (186277)
- 3N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, how much his Department spent on helping homeless veterans into accommodation in each month in 2023. (186278)
- 4N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, with reference to the press release entitled Major new grants now available to fund specialist care for homeless veterans, published by his Department on 21 April 2023, how many and what proportion of the 900 veteran-supported housing places were in use in each month of 2023. (186279)
- 5N **Rachel Hopkins** (Luton South): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what specialist care services are provided to veterans who have accessed accommodation through the veteran homelessness programme. (186280)
- 6N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Minister for Veterans' Affairs has had discussions with ministerial colleagues in the Department for Work and Pensions and the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on taking steps to ensure veterans injured from service are entitled to blue badges. (186095)
- 7N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, what support (a) his Department and (b) the Ministry of Defence are providing to ARAP-eligible individuals who are accommodated in hotels in Pakistan and who are being advised by the UK Government that while waiting in Pakistan they should source their own accommodation within the UK. (186096)
- 8N **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, when she plans to reply to the email of 21 February 2023 from the right hon. Member for Leeds Central to the Department for Work and Pensions on behalf of a constituent, which was transferred to her Department on 24 February 2023, referenced MC 2023/14593. (186013)

- 9N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of launching a campaign to encourage the purchase of steel made in the UK that is similar to the Buy American Act in the US. (186087)
- 10N **Drew Hendry** (Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the Competition and Markets Authority's press release entitled CMA update on action to help contain cost of living pressures, published on 15 May 2023, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the Competition and Markets Authority's regulatory enforcement powers in respect of ensuring businesses respond to the authority's requests for evidence. (186191)
- 11N **Richard Foord** (Tiverton and Honiton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what the real-terms change to funding for youth services has been in each year since 2015. (186256)
- 12N **Richard Foord** (Tiverton and Honiton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether the Government plans to make additional funding available for youth services in the UK. (186257)
- 13N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential risk to national security from a merger between Three and Vodafone. (186201)
- 14N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she has had discussions with Vodafone on that company's proposals to cut 11,000 jobs. (186202)
- 15N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what guidance she has provided to schools on the requirements of the SEND and AP Improvement Plan for special educational needs coordinators. (186206)
- 16N **Helen Hayes** (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what assessment she has made of the adequacy of funding available to schools for special educational needs coordinator training on the requirements of the SEND and AP Improvement Plan. (186207)
- 17N **Conor McGinn** (St Helens North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what the average funding per pupil in mainstream schools was in (a) St Helens North constituency and (b) the North West in the 2022-23 academic year. (186222)
- 18N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding her Department spent on initial teacher training for (a) bursaries and (b) scholarships for each subject in each of the last three years for which data is available. (186138)
- 19N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding her Department spent on the teachers' student loan reimbursement programme in each of the last three years for which data is available. (186139)



- 20N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if will make an estimate with Cabinet colleagues of the amount of electricity generation and electricity network capacity that will be required by (a) 2030, (b) 2040 and (c) 2050 to support the introduction and deployment of electric logistic vehicles in the context of the UK meeting its net zero targets. (186083)
- 21N **Sarah Jones** (Croydon Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to help ensure that energy suppliers promptly remunerate customers who sell renewable energy back to the grid. (186241)
- 22N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much and what proportion of funding awarded under Phase One of the Green Homes Grant Local Authority Delivery Scheme has been spent; and how many households are awaiting completion of projects awarded under those grants. (186032)
- 23N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, with reference to the Green Homes Grant Local Authority Delivery Release May 2023, published on 18 May 2023, what the delivery challenges were that required some Phase 1A delivery and funding to be moved to Phase 1B. (186033)
- 24N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much and what proportion of grant funding awarded under wave one of the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund has been spent. (186034)
- 25N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many and what proportion of households that were awarded funding under wave one of the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund are awaiting completion of those works. (186035)
- 26N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether it his Department's policy that recipients of the National Concessionary Fuel Scheme will receive a reduction in their allowance under that Scheme if they change their fuel source from home coal to (a) gas or (b) electricity. (186246)
- 27N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps she is taking to measure the outcomes of the Environmental Improvement Plan. (186177)
- 28N **Kerry McCarthy** (Bristol East): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 18 May 2023 to Question 184913 on Government Departments: Aviation, what the baseline data is for the emissions from domestic business flights in 2017-18; and what the is source for that data. (186036)
- 29N **Judith Cummins** (Bradford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the first two rounds of applications to the Levelling-Up Fund. (186143)

- 30N **Judith Cummins** (Bradford South): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he plans to give greater weight to applications from areas of high deprivation as part of the decision process for the third round of the Levelling Up Fund. (186144)
- 31N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of expanding section 8 in the Renters Reform Bill on the numbers of evictions of renters in (a) Stockport constituency and (b) Greater Manchester. (186261)
- 32N **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department plans to take to support cross government research and development spending. (186112)
- 33N **Matt Hancock** (West Suffolk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, how many former staff from the Departments for (a) Business, Innovation and Skills and (b) Digital, Culture, Media and Sport were moved to her Department. (186113)
- 34N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will make a comparative assessment of the affordability of mobile phone contracts based on the (a) Retail Price Index and (b) Consumer Price Index. (186070)
- 35N **Stephanie Peacock** (Barnsley East): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to the oral contribution of the Minister for Data and Digital Infrastructure at the public bill committee for the Data Protection and Digital Information (No. 2) Bill, Official Report, column 148, how relevant stakeholders can make contributions on clause 13 for the Minister's consideration. (186235)
- 36N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what discussions he has had with rail industry stakeholders on the provision of WiFi on passenger trains. (186125)
- 37N **Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi** (Slough): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of the provision of free Wi-Fi on trains for passengers. (186185)
- 38N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether the forthcoming low carbon fuels strategy will cover all transport modes used by the logistics sector. (186084)
- 39N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made with Cabinet colleagues of the potential role of hydrogen in reducing carbon emissions relating to the logistics sector. (186085)

- 40N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made a comparative assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of the cost of (a) low carbon fuels and (b) diesel and kerosene on the level of usage of those fuels by logistics businesses. (186086)
- 41N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the average national waiting time to secure a practical driving test in each year since 2019. (186231)
- 42N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what estimate he has made of the number of people whose successful driving theory tests have expired without completion of a practical driving test in each year since 2019. (186232)
- 43N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of extending the two-year validity period for driving theory tests in light of the backlog of practical driving tests. (186233)
- 44N **Louise Haigh** (Sheffield, Heeley): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the average waiting time to secure a practical driving test in each DVSA practical assessment centre. (186234)
- 45N **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he has taken to help ensure the accuracy of the information published online setting out the carbon footprint of different modes of transport; and whether his Department has made an estimate of the reduction of emissions for the aviation sector in the UK delivered through use of sustainable aviation fuel by (a) 2030, (b) 2040 and (c) 2050. (186147)
- 46N **Simon Lightwood** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the news story entitled UK on track to reach 4,000 zero emission bus pledge with £200 million boost, published by his Department on 26 March 2022, whether these buses will be provided to all regions of the UK. (186267)
- 47N **Conor McGinn** (St Helens North): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of reducing bus fares for students aged between 16 and 19. (186223)
- 48N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of merging the TransPennine Express with Northern Rail as part of his review of transport in the North of England. (186199)
- 49N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department has made an assessment of the quality of the facilities and infrastructure at Heaton Chapel railway station. (186262)

- 50N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to his Departments report entitled UK Seafarer Projections: 2016 to 2026, published 25 January 2017, what recent assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the covid-19 pandemic on that report's estimates. (186069)
- 51N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the average cost is of the medical assessment that is required to obtain an (a) ENG1 and (b) ML5 certificate in each (i) nation and (ii) region. (186228)
- 52N **Daniel Zeichner** (Cambridge): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an estimate of the potential impact on the UK economy of the Ely area capacity enhancement scheme. (186137)
- 53N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of the number of people who qualify for the 2023-24 Disability Cost of Living Payment in (a) each region of the England, (b) each country of the UK and (c) the UK as a whole. (186104)
- 54N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of the number of people who will receive the 2023-24 Disability Cost of Living Payment after 4 July 2023 in (a) each region of the England, (b) each country of the UK and (c) the UK as a whole. (186105)
- 55N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of the number of disabled people who (a) were not in receipt of a qualifying benefit on 1 April 2023 and (b) will not receive the Disability Cost of Living Payment in financial year 2023-24 as a result of not being in receipt of a qualifying benefit on that date. (186106)
- 56N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment his Department has made the potential effect of NHS waiting times on the number of working-age people who are economically inactive due to long-term sickness. (186107)
- 57N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to minimise the number of people (a) pausing or (b) reducing their employee contributions to workplace pensions. (186108)
- 58N **Simon Lightwood** (Wakefield): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what his timescales are for introducing upfront payments for childcare costs for people on Universal Credit. (186268)
- 59N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he plans to take to make job centre computers accessible to people who require (a) refreshable braille displays and (b) other accessibility hardware to use computers. (186156)

- 60N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he plans to take to help train Disability Employment Advisors to support people with complex disabilities into employment. (186157)
- 61N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department plans to take to train Work Coaches to support jobseekers with complex disabilities. (186158)
- 62N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of the adequacy of benefit levels for self-employed people on sick leave claiming New Style Employment and Support Allowance compared to employed individuals claiming Statutory Sick Pay. (186240)
- 63N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent assessment he has made of the accessibility of the process for self-employed people on sick leave to claim New Style Employment and Support Allowance. (186243)
- 64N **Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the overall financial support available for self-employed people (a) over and (b) under 25 who are on sick leave. (186245)
- 65N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what is the current waiting time for the Independent Case Examiner to commence an investigation of a complaint in relation to the Child Maintenance Service; and if he will make a statement. (186000)
- 66N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 18 May to Question 184871 on Personal Independence Payment: Applications, who is taking part in the small-scale test of the digital PIP service; and whether organisations supporting disabled people can offer to contribute to it. (186001)
- 67N **Geraint Davies** (Swansea West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 9 May 2023 to Question 183300 on Air Pollution: Death, what the evidential basis is for his Department's calculation of the fraction of mortality attributable to particulate air pollution since the overall number of attributable deaths is not available. (186281)
- 68N **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to help reduce risks to the (a) physical and (b) mental health of participants in chemsex. (186272)

- 69N **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential impact of chemsex on the level of HIV transmission; and what data his Department holds on the number of HIV transmissions linked to chemsex in each of the last five years. (186273)
- 70N **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department provides specific (a) guidance, (b) advice and (c) other support for people who participate in chemsex. (186274)
- 71N **Florence Eshalomi** (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether ambulance staff are provided with training on the potential impact of the practice of chemsex on patients. (186275)
- 72N **Christine Jardine** (Edinburgh West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many times he has used powers to direct NHS England under section 45 of the Health and Care Act 2022; and in what context those powers were used. (186213)
- 73N **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what data his Department holds on the transfer of NHS patients to another practice following the closure of a BUPA dental practice in York. (186159)
- 74N **Stewart Malcolm McDonald** (Glasgow South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his timetable is for (a) interim and (b) final payment of compensation to individuals (i) infected and (ii) affected by infected blood. (186195)
- 75N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many (a) invitro diagnostic and (b) other medical devices that (i) are UK approved body certified and (b) self-declared under the Medical Devices Regulations 2002 are registered with the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency. (186029)
- 76N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his Department's policy is on supporting the admittance of the African Union as a permanent member of the G20 intergovernmental forum. (186169)
- 77N **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department made of the annual cost to the Government of maintaining military installations and infrastructure in the Chagos Islands. (186151)
- 78N **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his Department is taking to improve the (a) accountability and (b) transparency of operations carried out by military and intelligence agencies stationed in the Chagos Islands. (186152)



- 79N **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the economic (a) merits and (b) drawbacks to the Chagossian people of sustainable development in the Chagos Islands. (186153)
- 80N **Tony Lloyd** (Rochdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his Colombian counterpart on mandatory requirements for the registration of civil society organisations as contained in the proposed Article 77 of the Colombian National Development Plan. (186015)
- 81N **Tony Lloyd** (Rochdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with his Colombian counterpart on ensuring participation by (a) civil society and people affected by the armed conflict and (b) women and ethnic communities in the peace talks with the Ejercito de Liberacion Nacional. (186016)
- 82N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the memorandum of understanding between the UK and Indonesia on sustainable forest management, signed in October 2022, in what way that agreement will help increase protection of customary forest areas and strengthen forest management by customary law communities. (186140)
- 83N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with his Indonesian counterpart on the steps the Indonesian Government is taking to (a) engage with Indonesian indigenous peoples' organisations and (b) ensure indigenous peoples' participation in future agreements on the implementation of the bilateral agreement on sustainable forest management between the UK and Indonesia signed in October 2022. (186141)
- 84N **Alex Sobel** (Leeds North West): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether indigenous peoples' organisations in Indonesia will be part of the planned Joint Consultative Working Group and a Joint Technical Working Group developing agreements related to the bilateral agreement between the UK and Indonesia on sustainable forest management. (186142)
- 85N **Hilary Benn** (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she is taking steps to issue visas to parents in Afghanistan whose children have leave to remain in the UK. (186012)
- 86N **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 14 March 2023 to Question 158848 on Home Office: Consultants, what assessment her Department has made of the effectiveness of spending on consultants in the previous five years. (186155)

- 87N **Patricia Gibson** (North Ayrshire and Arran): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when she will publish the outcome of the 2014 public consultation on section 24 of the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986. (186154)
- 88N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 18 May 2023 to Question 184276 on Refugees: Afghanistan, what information her Department holds on the cost to the public purse of her Department's legal costs on Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy principals who were refused relocation to the UK by her Department after having been deemed eligible by the Ministry of Defence. (186022)
- 89N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many ARAP-eligible Afghans have (a) successfully managed to find their own accommodation and (b) have been relocated to the UK by following the guidance on independently sourcing accommodation. (186097)
- 90N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, which Department or agency is responsible for acquiring accommodation in the UK for ARAP-eligible Afghan nationals in British High Commission-funded hotels in Pakistan; and what the Government's timeline is for the acquisitions to meet the (a) demand and (b) the future need of those people eligible who are based in Afghanistan. (186098)
- 91N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many people in hotel bridging accommodation have been served an eviction notice; and what proportion of those people have rejected a principal offer of accommodation. (186099)
- 92N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what criteria her Department will use to assess whether asylum seekers are suitable to be housed (a) at former Ministry of Defence sites and (b) on barges. (186230)
- 93N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 14 March 2023 to Question 158878 on Youth Mobility Scheme, when changes to the (a) Youth Mobility Scheme and (b) Working Holiday Maker programmes are expected to come in to effect. (186030)
- 94N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost to the public purse of HMS Vanguard's Long Overhaul Period and Refuel was. (186131)
- 95N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost to the public purse of HMS Victorious' Long Overhaul Period was; and how long the Long Overhaul Period lasted. (186132)
- 96N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the budget for the replacement warhead programme is. (186133)

- 97N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the timeline for the initial gate decision for the replacement warhead programme is. (186134)
- 98N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, with reference to the report of the Committee of Public Accounts, Optimising the Defence Estate, HC 179, published on 12 October 2021, what his Department spent on the Defence Estate in 2022-23; and what his Department plans to spend on the Defence Estate in 2023-24. (186009)
- 99N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual budget for (a) unguided ammunition and (b) guided weapons was for each service branch in each year since 2015. (186018)
- 100N **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, when his Department expects HMS Venturer to enter service with the Royal Navy. (186021)
- 101N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department plans to take delivery of 14 new Chinook H-47 extended range helicopters. (186024)
- 102N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the planned out of service dates are for his Department's (a) HC4, (b) HC5, (c) HC6 and (d) HC6A variants of Chinook helicopter. (186025)
- 103N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department expects to take delivery of new Chinook H-47 extended range aircraft in 2026. (186026)
- 104N **Mr Kevan Jones** (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 22 May 2023 to Question 185516 on Chinook Helicopters: Procurement, for what reason the delivery schedule for the new Chinook H-47 extended range aircraft is under review. (186027)
- 105N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the UK Hydrographic Office has put out to tender public contracts for work connected with the UK Centre for Seabed Mapping between 1 October 2022 and 25 May 2023. (186078)
- 106N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has had discussions with the UK Hydrographic Office on potential for supporting the employment of UK seafarers working on vessels from UK ports through its work. (186079)
- 107N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the annual (a) funding and (b) staffing level is for the (i) UK Hydrographic Office and (ii) UK Centre for Seabed Mapping. (186080)

- 108N Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much and what proportion of the seabed in the (a) UK Exclusive Economic Zone, (b) Crown Dependencies and (c) British Overseas Territories has been mapped since 1 October 2022; and what targets he has for seabed mapping in those waters in each year to 2030. (186081)
- 109N Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has had recent discussions with the Crown Estate on the potential for supporting the creation of jobs in the context of the leasing of seabed rights in (a) UK territorial waters, (b) the UK Exclusive Economic Zone and (c) the UK Continental Shelf; and if he will make a statement. (186082)
- 110N Catherine West** (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Prime Minister, whether he discussed China during his meeting with Prime Minister Modi at the G7 Conference in Japan. (186174)
- 111N Liz Saville Roberts** (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 11 May 2023 to Question 183926 on Shipping: Fuels, how many marine voyages relief claims were submitted in each of the last 12 months; and how many and what proportion of those claims (a) required additional security checks and (b) were processed within 30 days. (186229)
- 112N Theresa Villiers** (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he plans to take steps to provide funding for the London Air Ambulance to purchase two new helicopters. (186031)
- 113N Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of staffing levels in the Equality Hub. (186209)
- 114N Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what progress she has made on the STEM returners programme. (186210)
- 115N Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what progress she has made on the pay transparency pilot. (186211)
- 116N Anneliese Dodds** (Oxford East): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what the status is of the gender pay gap regulations review. (186212)

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## Questions for Answer on Monday 5 June

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to end the Black maternal mortality gap. (186135)

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- 2N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many promoters and operators of schemes subject to the Loan Charge have been prosecuted for promoting and operating those schemes. (186247)
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## Questions for Answer on Tuesday 6 June

### Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Sarah Atherton** (Wrexham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what plans he has for funding the Victim and Witness Care Unit of the Defence Serious Crime Unit from April 2024. (186254)