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# **Questions tabled on Friday 16 June 2023**

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- 1 Indicates a Question not included in the random selection process but accepted because the quota for that day had not been filled.
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- [R] Indicates that a relevant interest has been declared.

### Questions for Answer on Monday 19 June

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what recent discussions he has had with water companies on the potential merits of using floating solar panels on (a) lakes, (b) reservoirs, (c) industrial ponds and (d) near coastal areas on energy generation.

[Transferred] (189801)

- Preet Kaur Gill (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he plans to take steps to allow (a) Birmingham City Council and (b) other local authorities to keep the revenue collected from speeding fines.
  [Transferred] (189889)
- Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many parents of children eligible for Healthy Start vouchers there are in (a) the London Borough of Enfield and (b) Enfield North constituency; and how many and what proportion of such parents have not received them. [Transferred] (189898)
- 4 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of the Right Care, Right Person operational model on (a) social services for vulnerable people and (b) other local authority-run services. [Transferred] (189718)
- 5 **Sir Alan Campbell** (Tynemouth): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what guidance he has issued on the use of unlicensed doctors in his Department's tribunals.

  [Transferred] (189750)

- 6 Feryal Clark (Enfield North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department is taking steps to help secure free access to cash (a) withdrawals and (b) deposit facilities in Enfield North constituency. [Transferred] (189902)
- 7 Mark Eastwood (Dewsbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how much funding his Department has provided in support of the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Investment Fund; and if he will make a statement. [Transferred] (189665)
- Mark Eastwood (Dewsbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what information his Department holds on the amount of funding provided by (a) France, (b) Germany, (c) China and (d) other Framework Convention on Tobacco Control partner foundations to the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Investment Fund.

  [Transferred] (189666)

### Questions for Answer on Tuesday 20 June

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will meet representatives of the chemical recycling industry. (189961)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what steps her Department plans to take to encourage investment in (a) new green technology and (b) chemical recycling. (189962)
- Wera Hobhouse (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she plans to encourage investment in (a) chemical recycling and (b) other new green technology. (189966)
- 4 Hilary Benn (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent estimate she has made of the proportion of children on the roll of (a) primary and (b) secondary schools who have been absent for four weeks or longer.

  (189930)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the adequacy for future need of the number of current and projected students studying STEM subjects. (189964)
- 6 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to attract foreign students to study STEM subjects. (189965)
- 7 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will publish revised safeguarding guidance on transgender issues in schools. (189932)

- Security and Net Zero, whether he has made an assessment for the potential effect of the (a) energy intensity test and (b) trade intensity test for sectoral qualification to the Energy and Trade Intensive Industries (ETII) Scheme on energy-intensive enterprises which are (i) within sectoral codes that meet one but not both of the tests and (ii) able to meet both tests as individual businesses but excluded from the ETII Scheme for falling outside of the qualifying sectoral codes; and if he will make a statement.
- 9 **Sir John Hayes** (South Holland and The Deepings): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether his Department has made an assessment of the impact of heatwaves on the (a) efficiency and (b) functioning of solar panels.

  (189931)
- 10 Alison Thewliss (Glasgow Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department is taking steps to help ensure that disposable vape producers are contributing to the recycling of their products.

  (189988)
- John Cryer (Leyton and Wanstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
  Housing and Communities, whether he plans to introduce reforms leasehold in
  this Parliament. (189928)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Private Sector ACM Cladding Remediation Fund. (189945)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Affordable Housing programme. (189946)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Bacon Review grant. (189947)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Building Capabilities for Local Regulators grant. (189948)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the West Midlands Combined Authority Devolution Deal grant.(189953)

- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Collaborative Reporting for Safer Structures Phase three, four and five grant.
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Community Based English Language grant. (189955)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Expansion of Waking Watch Relief Fund. (189956)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Faith, Race and Hate Crime Grant scheme. (189957)
- 21 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Flood Recovery Framework schemes. (189970)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the freeports fund. (189971)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Future High Streets Fund. (189972)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Future Homes Hub.

  (189973)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of funding for the Garden Communities programme. (189974)

- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Gypsy Roma Travellers Strategy grant. (189975)
- 27 Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Holocaust Awareness Raising grant. (189976)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the Holocaust Educational Trust Content Development grant. (189977)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the Homes 2030 grant. (189978)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the funding for Housing First pilots.

  (189979)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the Housing Infrastructure Fund. (189980)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the Infrastructure for Commonwealth Games grant. (189981)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the Interfaith Network grant. (189982)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the Land Assembly Fund. (189983)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to Government grants statistics 2020 to 2021, published 31 March 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the Cyber Security Resilience grant. (189984)

- Alun Cairns (Vale of Glamorgan): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what recent assessment she has made of the potential risks of artificial intelligence large language models. (189934)
- 37 Alun Cairns (Vale of Glamorgan): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps her Department is taking to scrutinise the activities of artificial intelligence companies. (189935)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if her Department will conduct an inquiry into potential reforms to clinical research and trials to (a) scale up, (b) speed up and (c) increase the number of such trials in (i) Scotland and (ii) the UK. (189967)
- Jack Brereton (Stoke-on-Trent South): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether her Department has made a provision for a break clause in the HS2 Phase 2a Design and Delivery Partner contract; and if he will make a statement. (189994)
- Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the report by Pregnant Then Screwed entitled "Leave in the Lurch, Paternity Leave, Gender Equality and the UK Economy", published on 15 June 2023; and if he has made an assessment of the potential merits of increasing the rate of Statutory Paternity Leave.
- 41 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the reasons for the trend in the level of excess deaths in the last 12 months. (190004)
- 42 **Mike Amesbury** (Weaver Vale): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of climate change on trends in the level of excess deaths. (190005)
- 43 Daisy Cooper (St Albans): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, when he plans to publish his Department's response to the consultation entitled Hub and spoke dispensing, published on 16 March 2022. (189995)
- 44 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he has had discussions with his counterpart in the Scottish Government on the lessons learned from the implementation of Scan4Safety in Scotland. (189959)
- 45 **Martyn Day** (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what progress his Department has made on the roll-out of the Scan4Safety initiative. (189960)
- 46 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what lessons from the covid-19 pandemic his Department is applying to its policy on clinical trials. (189968)

- 47 **David Duguid** (Banff and Buchan): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to add to the guidance accompanying the Down Syndrome Act 2022 to address 22q11.2 Syndromes and other chromosomal disorders. (189989)
- 48 **David Duguid** (Banff and Buchan): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will add 22q11.2 Syndromes to the standard blood screen test for new-borns. (189990)
- 49 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the NHS Long Term Workforce Plan will include plans to increase the number of rheumatology (a) consultants and (b) clinical nurse specialists.

  (189985)
- Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether the NHS Long Term Workforce Plan will include plans to increase the number of doctors training to become rheumatologists. (189986)
- 51 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to increase access to specialised psychology services for rheumatology patients. (189987)
- 52 **Eddie Hughes** (Walsall North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to ensure that members appointed to the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority reflect a diversity of ethical viewpoints on research on human embryos. (189992)
- Andrew Lewer (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent assessment his Department has made of the effectiveness of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority as an independent regulator. (190012)
- Andrew Lewer (Northampton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 26 May 2023 to Question 186145 on Global Tobacco Regulators Forum, what issues were discussed at that Forum; what issues the UK delegate raised; and what the conclusions of the Forum were. (190002)
- Sarah Owen (Luton North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of including NHS workers employed in (a) charities and (b) social enterprises in the Agenda for Change pay awards.

  (190006)
- Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether she has made an assessment of the implications for her Department's policies of the report entitled Reforming the Windrush Compensation Scheme published by Justice in 2021. (190011)

- 57 Eddie Hughes (Walsall North): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
  Department, pursuant to the Answer of 24 April 2023 to Question 179976 on
  Demonstrations, what steps her Department is taking to ensure any public order
  guidance related to buffer zones is compatible with existing rights to freedom of
  (a) speech, (b) religion and (c) assembly.

  (189991)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many asylum applications are awaiting approval; and what the average waiting time was for an asylum application in the latest period for which data is available.

  (189944)
- 59N **Feryal Clark** (Enfield North): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average number of section 21 evictions was in each region of England in each of the last 12 months.

  [Transferred] (189926)
- 60 Charlotte Nichols (Warrington North): To ask the hon. Member for Lancaster and Fleetwood, representing the Speaker's Committee on the Electoral Commission, what checks are undertaken to ascertain whether candidates for election to (a) the House of Commons and (b) local authorities are on the sex offenders register.

(190010)

- 61 **Philip Davies** (Shipley): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what recent assessment he has made of the potential impact of proposals in the Prudential Regulation Authority Consultation CP 16/22 on the Implementation of the Basel 3.1 standards on the ability of small and medium-sized enterprises to raise funds against their commercial premises, and if he will make a statement. (189941)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the review into attracting foreign direct investment will consider the potential merits of attracting investment into domestic recycling infrastructure.(189963)
- Wera Hobhouse (Bath): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether the review into the Government's approach to attracting foreign direct investment led by Lord Harrington of Watford will consider the Government's approach to attracting new foreign direct investment into recycling infrastructure. (189969)
- 64 **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he is taking steps to help ensure that the British National (Overseas) holders residing in the UK are aware of their right to have their tax information data withheld from being sent to Hong Kong authorities. (189929)
- 65 **Siobhain McDonagh** (Mitcham and Morden): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has had recent discussions with HSBC on access to pension savings for people on British National (Overseas) visas. (189933)

### Questions for Answer on Wednesday 21 June

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N Catherine McKinnell (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what were the savings to the public purse of unspent free school meal allowances in the (a) 2020-21, (b) 2021-22 and (c) 2022-23 financial years; and if she will make a statement. (189942)
- 2N Catherine McKinnell (Newcastle upon Tyne North): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what recent assessment her Department has made of the potential merits of allowing pupils who are eligible for free school meals to use an unspent daily allowance on a future day..
- 3N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of reopening applications to the Energy Bills Support Scheme Alternative Funding. (190007)
- 4N David Morris (Morecambe and Lunesdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of withdrawing GL43 licences from special protection areas on the finances of rural businesses; and whether she plans to provide compensation to estates that (a) do not receive and (b) are delayed in receiving a licence.
- 5N **David Morris** (Morecambe and Lunesdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she made an assessment of the potential merits of consulting on the withdrawal of GL43 licences from special protection areas prior to implementing that policy. (189950)
- 6N David Morris (Morecambe and Lunesdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to the statutory guidance entitled GL43: licence to release common pheasants or red-legged partridges on certain European sites or within 500m of their boundary published on 31 May 2023, what assessment she has made of the potential impact of that statutory guidance on (a) gamekeepers' jobs, (b) the rural economy and (c) conservation. (189951)
- 7N **David Morris** (Morecambe and Lunesdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an estimate of the average number of days taken for individual licences to be granted by Natural England for shoots in or near Special Protection Areas in the most recent period for which data is available.
- 8N Angus Brendan MacNeil (Na h-Eileanan an Iar): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, if she will make an assessment of the impact of the Intellectual Property Office review of the standard-essential patent ecosystem on the competitiveness of small and medium-sized enterprises in international trade, in the context of terms for licencing (a) 5G and (b) other technology standards.

  [Transferred] (189764)

- 9N Liz Saville Roberts (Dwyfor Meirionnydd): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of transferring further traffic commissioner functions relating to licence applications to the Traffic Commissioner for Wales in the context of enabling access to forms relating to licence applications in Welsh and in English. (189958)
- 10N Marsha De Cordova (Battersea): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what (a) financial and (b) human resources support is allocated to each NHS National Clinical Director. (190003)
- 11N **Preet Kaur Gill** (Birmingham, Edgbaston): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with international counterparts on the potential merits of a global levy on greenhouse gas emissions from the shipping industry. (190001)
- 12N **John Howell** (Henley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policy of 2022 Iran Human Rights Documentation Centre reports that Iranian-linked forces have aided attacks, deportations and the persecution of individuals in Syria.
- 13N **John Howell** (Henley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment his Department has made of the implications for his policies of China's provision of face-recognition technology to Iran and its impact on human rights in that country. (189937)
- 14N **John Howell** (Henley): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department is taking steps to help strengthen the rights of indigenous (a) Kurdish, (b) Yazidi and (c) Jewish groups in the Middle East.

  [R] (189938)
- 15N Abena Oppong-Asare (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make an estimate of the average time taken to complete an application for the Windrush compensation scheme in the most recent period for which data is available.

  (189998)
- 16N **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how much and what proportion of the total budget for the Windrush compensation scheme has been allocated. (189999)
- 17N **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many full-time civil servants above Grade 7 have worked on the Windrush compensation scheme in each financial quarter since the scheme was established. (190000)
- 18N **Dave Doogan** (Angus): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost to the public purse of the Defence Nuclear Enterprise was in (a) 2018, (b) 2019, (c) 2020, (d) 2021 and (e) 2022. (189997)

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- 19N Hilary Benn (Leeds Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when HM Revenue and Customs plans to reply to the emails from the Rt Hon Member for Leeds Central of 12 April and 9 May about his constituent Mr MW and his pension contributions.

  (189939)
- 20N Hilary Benn (Leeds Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when he plans to take steps to update taxpayers' personal HMRC pages to reflect the decision to extend the deadline to 2025 for voluntary pension contributions in the period between 2006 and 2018.

## Questions for Answer on Thursday 22 June

#### **Questions for Written Answer**

- 1N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many horses are in service with the Army. (190008)
- 2N **Luke Pollard** (Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many tanks are in service with the Army. (190009)